

Decision Schedule



Cabinet

TO ALL MEMBERS OF NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL

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The following decisions were taken on 24/04/2017 .They will become effective at Noon on 03/05/2017 with the exception of any particular decision(s), which is (are) the subject of a valid "call-in".

The deadline for submission of a 'Call-in' request form (Available from Democratic Services) is 4.00 pm on 02/05/2017. Reports relating to staffing issues/Confidential reports are not circulated to all Members of the Council as part of the consultation/call-in processes.

CAB 24/17

Corporate Risk Register Quarterly Update

Options Considered/Reasons for Decision

The Leader introduced the report which presented the latest position regarding the Council's Corporate Risk Register.

The Chief Executive confirmed that there were no significant changes to note since the last update. A full review of the risk register was due as part of the service planning process, and would be reported with the next Cabinet update scheduled for July 2017.

Cabinet discussed Risk 2: Increasing Ageing Population, and the work being done, within the Council and in collaboration with partners, to mitigate against this risk. Cabinet Members also highlighted the significant contribution of unpaid carers in this area. Although the ageing population was a nationwide issue, and represented an on-going operational and financial risk to the Council, it was considered that the authority was in a strong position to deal with this continuing challenge and the associated pressure on budgets. This area would continue to be flagged as a risk to ensure it was being properly managed and mitigated.

Decision:

To note the contents of the Corporate Risk Register and request an annual review of the contents of the risk register at the July 2017 meeting.

Consultation

Monitoring Officer; Head of Finance; Head of People & Business Change

Implemented By: Chief Executive
Implementation Timetable: Immediate

CAB 25/17

Wales Audit Office Recommendations: Action Plan Update

Options Considered/Reasons for Decision

The Leader introduced the report, which outlined the progress made by the Council in addressing the recommendations made to it by the Wales Audit Office as part of the Corporate Assessment process. The Leader highlighted the positive progress made since the first Corporate Assessment report, with many actions completed and others due to be signed off shortly. One area still requiring some improvement was around Member Development. In response, and in the event that this Administration regained power on 4 May, the Leader announced that a Cabinet Member post would be allocated with specific responsibility for Member Development, to ensure that all Members received training and support that met the needs of a 21st century Councillor.

The Chief Executive highlighted that the Council was the first to go through the Corporate Assessment process, and progress had been made in all areas. The Head of People and Business Change confirmed that three of the seven original recommendations had been signed off completely, and a further three were close to being completed. Some work was still required around member development, which would be progressed following the election. Quarterly updates would continue so Cabinet could be assured of ongoing progress.

Cabinet Members congratulated staff on the excellent progress made against the WAO recommendations. The Leader also highlighted that Member role descriptions had been approved at the last Council meeting, which would further contribute to progress in the area of member development.

Decision:

To note the progress made towards meeting the recommendations and proposals for improvement, and request further quarterly monitoring reports on progress.

Consultation

Chair of Cabinet; Chief Executive; Strategic Directors; Heads of Service

Implemented By: Chief Executive, Strategic Directors and Heads of Service
Implementation Timetable: Immediate

CAB 26/17

Work Programme

Options Considered/Reasons for Decision

The Cabinet work programme up to May 2018 was presented and agreed by the Cabinet.

Decision:

To adopt the suggested programme.

Consultation

Directors, Heads of Service, Monitoring Officer, Head of Finance, and Head of People & Business Change

Implemented By: Head of Democratic Services

Implementation Timetable: Immediate and ongoing

Signed:.....

Councillor Debbie Wilcox, Chair of the Cabinet

Date:
