

Decision Schedule



Cabinet

TO ALL MEMBERS OF NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL

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The Chair of Cabinet Member took the following decision on 10 March 2021. The decision will become effective at Noon on 18 March 2021 with the exception of any particular decision, which is the subject of a valid "call-in".

The deadline for submission of a 'Call-in' request form is 4.00 pm on 17 March 2021.

Reports relating to staffing issues/Confidential reports are not circulated to all members of the Council as part of the consultation/call-in processes.

Leader 17/21

Pay and Reward Policy

Options Considered/Reasons for Decision

The Localism Act 2011 required English and Welsh local authorities to produce a "pay policy statement", initially for the financial year 2012-13, and then on an annual basis. The legislation outlined a number of statutory requirements which were to be included in any pay policy statement.

The Pay and Reward Policy 2020/21 was reviewed and no changes were proposed this year.

Decision

That Cabinet to approved the updated Pay and Reward Policy in order to meet the statutory requirement for a pay policy statement to be approved and published by Council on an annual basis.

Consultation

Monitoring Officer, Head of Finance, Head of People and Business Change

Implemented by: Head of People and Business Change

Implementation Timetable: Immediate

Leader 18/21

Welsh Government White Paper Consultation – Rebalancing Care and Support

Options Considered/Reasons for Decision

The Welsh Government published a White Paper on *Rebalancing Care and Support* and was consulting on proposals to introduce new legislation to improve social care arrangements and

strengthen partnership working to achieve the vision set out in the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014. The proposals included setting out a clear national framework to support services to be planned regionally and delivered locally; formation of a 'national office' including a Chief Social Care and Social Work Officer; and for the strengthening of existing regional partnership arrangements.

As a member of the Gwent Regional Partnership Board it was important for the Council to contribute towards the consultation that would assist in shaping and developing the new legislation.

Decision

That Cabinet was asked to consider the contents of the report and agree the consultation response for submission by the closing date of 6 April 2021.

Consultation

Monitoring Officer, Head of Finance, Head of People and Business Change

Implemented by: Head of Adult and Community Services/Acting Corporate Director – People and Head of Children and Young People Services
Implementation Timetable: Immediate

Leader 19/21

Quarter Three 2020/2021 Corporate Risk Register Update

Options Considered/Reasons for Decision

The Council's Corporate Risk Register monitored risks that may prevent the Council from achieving its Corporate Plan or delivering services to its communities and service users in Newport.

At the end of Quarter Three, there were 18 risks recorded in the Corporate Risk Register that were considered to have a significant impact on the achievement of the Council's objectives and legal obligations. At the end of Quarter Three, there were no new or escalated risks from service area risk registers; and one risk was closed. Overall, there were x Severe risks (risk scores 15 to 25); x Major risks (risk scores 7 to 14) and x Moderate risks (risk scores 4 to 6) that were outlined in the report.

Decision

That Cabinet considered the contents of the Quarter Three update of the Corporate Risk Register.

Consultation

Monitoring Officer, Head of Finance, Head of People and Business Change

Implemented by: Head of People and Business Change
Implementation Timetable: Immediate

Leader 20/21

Covid-19 Response and Recovery Update

Options Considered/Reasons for Decision

The Covid-19 health emergency was ongoing since March 2020 and impacted all communities and businesses across Newport as the City continued to adapt and respond to the necessary restrictions to minimise the spread of the virus. Newport Council's response was to ensure continuity of services with our strategic partners, support vulnerable residents across communities, support businesses and ensure the safety of staff. The report provided an overview of what action the Council had taken to date and the progress against the Strategic Recovery Aims.

Since the last Cabinet Report in February, the Council and its partners continued to monitor the Covid-19 cases in the City through its role at the multi-agency Strategic Coordination Group (SCG), the Council's Emergency Response Team (Covid Gold) and liaison with Welsh Government (WG) and Public Health Wales partners. The Newport area was currently at the highest alert level.

Decision

Cabinet considered the contents of the report and noted the progress being made to date and the risks that were still faced by the Council.

Consultation

Monitoring Officer, Head of Finance, Head of People and Business Change

Implemented by: Chief Executive and Head of People and Business Change
Implementation Timetable: Immediate

Leader 21/21

Post Brexit / Trade Agreement – Newport City Council

Options Considered/Reasons for Decision

Since the last report to Cabinet on 22 February 2021, the UK was out of the European Union (EU) and Single Market for nine weeks. The UK and EU were trading under a new tariff free trade arrangement but now required UK and EU traders to undertake increased paperwork to comply with the new requirements.

There was also the end of free movement of people between the UK and EU. This meant that anyone wishing to move to the UK from Europe had to complete necessary Visa requirements.

For EU citizens living in Newport there were less than four months for people to apply for EU Settled Status before the 30 June 2021 deadline. The Council and its partners were continuing to promote and encourage people to apply before the deadline. In addition to this there were also changes to the Migration laws and a new points based system that was place.

Decision

Cabinet considered the contents of the report and noted the Council's Brexit response.

Consultation

Monitoring Officer, Head of Finance, Head of People and Business Change

Implemented by: Chief Executive and Head of People and Business Change

Implementation Timetable: Immediate

Leader 22/21

Cabinet Work Programme

Options Considered/Reasons for Decision

The Leader presented the Cabinet Work Programme.

Decision

Cabinet agreed the Cabinet Work Programme.

Consultation

Senior Officers, Monitoring Officer, Head of Finance, Head of People and Business Change.

Implemented by: Governance Team Leader
Implementation Timetable: Immediate

LEADER OF THE COUNCIL, COUNCILLOR J MUDD

12 March 2021

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