# **Decision Schedule**



# Cabinet

#### TO ALL MEMBERS OF NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL

## Decision Schedule published on 10 April 2024

The Chair of Cabinet Member took the following decision on 10 April 2024. The decision will become effective at Noon on 18 April 2024, 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 April 2024.

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 22/24

#### **Key Stage 4 Outcomes 2023**

## **Options Considered/Reasons for Decision**

This year, for the first time since 2019, the Welsh Government are producing Key Stage 4 (KS4) All Wales Core Data Sets (AWCDS) at individual school level. Each of the last four years used essentially different methods for determining grades, so none are directly comparable. In 2023 national outcomes were lower than 2022, 2021 and 2020, but not as low as 2019. Provisional outcomes were available to schools, Local Authorities (Las) and consortia in Provisional form in mid-November 2023 (via Data Exchange Wales (DEWi)). These then contributed to a school level checking process, so any errors could be addressed, before final versions were published on 20 December 2023. This report used the final versions of outcome data for Newport schools describing it against a range of comparative indicators.

#### **Decision**

Cabinet considered and noted the contents of the report.

#### Consultation

Monitoring Officer, Head of Finance, Head of People, Policy, and Transformation

Implemented by: Head of People, Policy and Transformation

Implementation Timetable: Immediate

#### Leader 23/24

#### Strategic Equality Plan 2024/2028

## Options Considered/Reasons for Decision

Under the Equality Act 2010 (Statutory Duties) (Wales) Regulations 2011, local authorities in Wales must develop and publish a Strategic Equality Plan (SEP) that set out the objectives it wanted to achieve over a four-year period. Newport City Council's first SEP was published in 2012 and our current plan ran until the end of financial year.

To meet statutory requirements, the Council must develop and publish a new SEP, which set out its Equality Objectives to meet the Public Sector Equality Duty for the next four-year cycle, 2024 – 2028.

#### **Decision**

Cabinet recommended to Full Council that the attached Strategic Equality Plan be adopted by the Council.

#### Consultation

Monitoring Officer, Head of Finance, Head of People, Policy and Transformation

Implemented by: Chief Executive, Strategic Director – Transformation and Corporate and Head of People, Policy and Transformation

Implementation Timetable: Immediate

#### Leader 24/24

# Newport City Council Response to External Pressures Impacting Council Services

### **Options Considered/Reasons for Decision**

This monthly report provided an update on the external pressures facing the Council which include the cost-of-living crisis and pressures on housing and homelessness services across Newport.

As with previous months, collaboration and partnership working was key to supporting Newport citizens and therefore this report provided information on how this way of working was enabling a greater access for our residents to support, advice, and guidance.

## **Decision**

Cabinet considered the contents of the report on the Council's activity to respond to the external factors on Newport's communities, businesses, and council services.

## Consultation

Monitoring Officer, Head of Finance, Head of People, Policy and Transformation

Implemented by: Head of People, Policy and Transformation, Head of Housing and Communities and Head of Prevention and Inclusion Implementation Timetable: Immediate

## **Leader 25/24**

## **Cabinet Work Programme**

# **Options Considered/Reasons for Decision**

The Leader presented the Cabinet Work Programme.

## **Decision**

Cabinet agreed the Cabinet Work Programme.

# Consultation

Monitoring Officer, Head of Finance, Head of People, Policy and Transformation

Implemented by: Governance Team Leader Implementation Timetable: Immediate

LEADER OF THE COUNCIL, COUNCILLOR J MUDD

10 April 2024

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