

Scrutiny Report



Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee

Part 1

Date: September 2022

Subject Draft Corporate Plan 2022-27 Well-being Objectives and Priorities

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The following people have been invited to attend for this item:

Invitee:	Area / Role / Subject
Rhys Cornwall	Director of Transformation and Corporate
Sally Anne Jenkins	Director of Social Services
Paul Jones	Director of Environment and Sustainability

Section A – Committee Guidance and Recommendations

1 Recommendations to the Committee

The Committee is asked:

- 1.1 To consider the Draft Well-being Objectives and strategic priorities of the Council to support the Well-being of Future Generations seven Well-being Goals (Appendix 1 and presentation).
- 1.2 To provide comment and recommendations on the draft Corporate Plan themes which will form the Corporate Plan for 2022-27.

2 Context

Background

- 2.1 The Corporate Plan 2022-27 forms part of the Council's Policy Framework. As such its direction needs to be considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee prior to being finalised, and subsequently approved and adopted by full Council.
- 2.2 The [Well-being of Future Generations \(Wales\) Act 2015](#) requires all public bodies to carry out sustainable development and demonstrate how they will improve the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales. To maximise its contribution, Newport Council is required to set and publish its Well-being Objectives and support the seven Well-being Goals of the Act. The seven Well-being Goals are:
 - i. A Prosperous Wales

- ii. A Resilient Wales
- iii. A Healthier Wales
- iv. A more equal Wales
- v. A Wales of cohesive communities
- vi. A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh Language
- vii. A globally responsible Wales

Additionally the Act requires the Council to demonstrate how and why the Council has decided its Well-being Objectives will have the widest impact will improve the well-being of Newport through the 5 ways of working principles. The definition of these principles is outlined in Section B of this report.

2.3 The Council also has duties to meet through legislation and regulation passed by Welsh Government, UK Government and regulatory bodies. Newport Council also undertakes additional non-statutory duties which it deems important to meet the demands of its residents, businesses and other stakeholders in Newport.

2.4 To meet these requirements, the Council produces a five year Corporate Plan which outlines the Council's Well-being Objectives and strategic priorities that will support the Council's contribution towards the Well-being Goals and improving the well-being of Newport and Wales.

The Corporate Plan will also include information on how progress and outcomes will be monitored and reported through the Council's democratic process. A final version will be presented to Full Council for its formal approval and prior to its publication.

2.5 The final Annual Report on the previous Corporate Plan will also be received by Scrutiny Committee at its next meeting.

2.6 The final version of the Corporate Plan will include additional information on the strategic programmes and projects that will support the achievement of the Well-being Objectives. The Plan will also include the Key Performance Measures for each objective that will be used to monitor and demonstrate the Council's progress against the Corporate Plan.

2.7 Detailed plans and programmes and a full set of performance measures will be included in the supporting Service Plans and these are also subject to Performance Scrutiny annually.

3 Information Submitted to the Committee

3.1 The development of the Corporate plan allows us to build on the successes and learn from the challenges of the previous five years, including our response to the Covid pandemic.

To achieve this, we have developed four draft well-being objectives that will prioritise our focus over the next five years and will support our longer-term vision for Newport over the next 20 years:

- **Newport is a thriving and growing city that offers excellent education and aspires to provide opportunities for all.**
- **A city that seeks to protect and enhance our environment whilst reducing our carbon footprint and preparing for a sustainable and digital future.**
- **Newport is a supportive city where communities and care are at the heart of what we do.**
- **Newport City Council is an inclusive organisation that places social value, fairness and sustainability at its core.**

3.2 Attached at **Appendix 1** are the draft Corporate Plan themes for 2022-27 and the detail of these will be presented to the Committee at the meeting.

4. Suggested Areas of Focus

The role of the Committee in considering the report is to:

- Consider and assess the extent which the Corporate Plan Well-being Objectives and draft Strategic Priorities will:
 - Support the 7 Well-being Goals and sustainable development principle of the Well-being Act.
Support the development of a Corporate Plan which delivers on key priorities for the citizens of Newport
- Conclusions:
 - What was the overall conclusion on the information contained within the report?
 - Is the Committee satisfied that the draft themes will support the final Corporate Plan
 - Do the Committee wish to make any Comments / Recommendations to the Cabinet?

Section B – Supporting Information

5 Well-being of Future Generation (Wales) Act ‘Sustainability Development Principles’

 Long Term	 Collaboration	 Involvement	 Integration	 Prevention
The importance of balancing short-term needs with the need to safeguard the long term needs	Acting in collaboration with any other person (or different parts of the body itself) that could help the body to meet its well-being objectives.	The importance of involving people with an interest in achieving the well-being goals, and ensuring that those people reflect the diversity of the area which the body serves.	Considering how the public body’s well-being objectives may impact upon each of the well-being goals, on their other objectives, or on the objectives of other public bodies.	How acting to prevent problems occurring or getting worse may help public bodies meet their objectives.

6. Impact Assessment

A final equalities impact assessment will be produced to support the full Corporate Plan.

7. Background Papers

[The Essentials – Well-being of Future Generation Act \(Wales\)](#)

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