## Report

# NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL CYNGOR DINAS CASNEWYDD

#### Cabinet

Part 1

Date: 24 April 2017

**Subject Work Programme** 

**Purpose** To agree the Cabinet's Work Programme.

**Author** Head of Democratic Services

Ward All Wards

**Summary** The Corporate Assessment suggested to the Council that it should consider strengthening

committee work programming arrangements to ensure they are timely, meaningful,

informative, and transparent, balanced, monitored, and joined up.

In response to that suggestion the Cabinet agreed that each month the Head of Democratic Services will ask Chief Officers to update the Cabinet work programme and

this update will be reported to Cabinet

An updated work programme suggested by Chief Officers is attached. This is, of course, a

working document and will be subject to change.

The programme has been updated to take account of meetings to the AGM in 2018.

It is important that the work programme for Cabinet and, in the case of Scrutiny Committees, the work programme for those committees are owned and prioritised by Members. Regular reports on the programme will provide more opportunities for that to be

done.

**Proposal** To agree the proposed programme.

**Action by** Head of Democratic Services

Timetable Immediate

This report was prepared after consultation with:

- Chief Officers
- Monitoring Officer
- Head of Finance
- Head of People and Business Change

#### **Background**

As mentioned in the summary above, the Corporate Assessment suggested to the Council that it should consider strengthening committee work programming arrangements to ensure they are timely, meaningful, informative, and transparent, balanced, monitored, and joined up.

In response to that suggestion cabinet agreed that each month the Head of Democratic Services will ask Chief Officers to update the Cabinet work programme and this update will be reported to Cabinet.

This will then be used to help inform the Scrutiny Committee work programmes.

A work programme suggested by Chief Officers is attached. This is, of course, a working document and will be subject to change. It is important that the work programme for Cabinet and, in the case of Scrutiny Committees, the work programme for those committees are owned and prioritised by Members.

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#### **Financial Summary**

There is no direct cost to adopting a programme of work.

#### **Risks**

Risk	Impact of Risk if it occurs* (H/M/L)	Probability of risk occurring (H/M/L)	What is the Council doing or what has it done to avoid the risk or reduce its effect	Who is responsible for dealing with the risk?
No action taken	M	Ĺ	This work programming arrangements to ensure they are timely, meaningful, informative, and transparent, balanced, monitored, and joined up.	Head of Democratic Services
The process is not embraced by report authors and members	M	М	If there is proliferation of unplanned or late items, the opportunity to ensure work programming is timely, meaningful, informative, and transparent, balanced, monitored, and joined up will diminish	Head of Democratic Services

#### **Links to Council Policies and Priorities**

These proposals will help the Council provide the best possible service to members and will provide information to the public and elected members.

#### **Options Available and considered**

- To adopt the process and adopt or amend the work programme
- To consider any alternative proposals raised by Cabinet members
- To take no action

#### **Preferred Option and Why**

To adopt the proposals which should help to ensure work programming arrangements are timely, meaningful, informative, and transparent, balanced, monitored, and joined up.

#### **Comments of Chief Financial Officer**

There are no financial implications in adopting a programme of work

#### **Comments of Monitoring Officer**

There are no legal implications in adopting a programme of work

#### Staffing Implications: Comments of Head of People and Business Change

There are no specific staffing I implications in adopting a programme of work

#### **Comments of Cabinet Member**

The Chair has approved the report for consideration by cabinet.

#### Local issues

There are no local issues as this report relates to the Council's processes

#### **Scrutiny Committees**

Please include a record of any consultation with scrutiny committees. Please add here details of any consultation and the outcomes.

Regular updates will allow the Scrutiny and Cabinet work programmes to be better coordinated. The Scrutiny team and Chairs are developing new ways of working and continually reviewing the work programmes to focus more on risk and restricting the number of items on agendas by channelling information reports by way of other and ensuring committee reports are based around outcomes

#### **Equalities Impact Assessment and the Equalities Act 2010**

These proposals need no Equalities Impact Assessment

#### Children and Families (Wales) Measure

This procedural report does not impact on Children and Young People although certain reports contained in the programme may do and will need appropriate consultation and comment when they are presented to cabinet.

#### **Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015**

This is a procedural report but reports contained within the programme will need to show how consideration has been given to the five things public bodies need to think about to show they have applied the sustainable development principle put into place by the Act.

#### **Crime and Disorder Act 1998**

This does not apply to this procedural report

#### Consultation

As set out above

#### **Background Papers**

N/A

Dated: April 2017

### **CABINET WORK PROGRAMME** 2017-8

Cabinet Meeting	Items for provisional agenda	Lead Officer	Council
April 2017	Risk Register Update WAO Action Plan update Work Programme Update ( regular item)	Head of People & Business Change Head of People & Business Change Head of Democratic Services	
May 2017	No meeting		• AGM
June 2017	Improvement Plan Update WAO Regulatory Fees Early Year End PI Analysis Welsh Language Scheme – Annual Report Equalities Plan – Annual Report Capital Outturn Revenue Outturn	Head of People & Business Change Head of Finance Head of Finance Head of Finance	
July 2017	Director of Social Services Annual Report Budget Consultation and engagement process and timetable Risk update Certificate of Compliance 1 WAO Action Plan Revenue Budget Monitor Capital Monitor & Additions	Director of Social Services Head of People & Business Change Head of Finance Head of Finance Head of Finance	<ul> <li>Director of Social Services Annual Report</li> <li>Pill PSPO = 'Gareth price / Helen Wilkie</li> <li>Strategic Equalities Plan – Annual Report</li> <li>Democratic Services Committee Annual Report</li> </ul>
August	No meeting	No meeting	No meeting
2017			
September 2017	Corporate Plan Improvement Plan Year End Review Improvement Plan Quarter 1 Treasury Management	Head of People & Business Change Head of People & Business Change Head of People & Business Change Head of Finance	Scrutiny Annual Report     Standards Committee     Annual Report
October 2017	WAO Annual Improvement Report Risk Update Final Year End Analysis of PI's (All Wales Data) Revenue Budget Monitor Capital monitor & Additions	Head of People & Business Change Head of People & Business Change Head of People & Business Change Head of Finance Head of Finance	

Cabinet Meeting	Items for provisional agenda	Lead Officer	Council
November	Education and Pupil Performance data	Chief Education Officer Head of People &	
2017	Mid-Year Analysis of PIs WAO Action Plan Update	Business Change Head of People & Business Change	
December	Revenue Budget and MTFP Improvement Plan Update	Head of Finance Head of People &	
2017	Certificate of Compliance – letter 2	Business Change Head of People & Business Change	
January	Risk Update Revenue Budget Monitor	Head of People & Business Change	
2018	Capital Budget Monitor Work Programme Update ( regular item)	Head of Finance Head of Finance Head of Democratic Services	
February	I. Budget and MTFP	I. Head of Finance	
2018	<ul> <li>II. Capital Budget</li> <li>III. Treasury         Management</li> <li>IV. Local Wellbeing Plan</li> <li>V. Work Programme         Update ( regular         item)</li> </ul>	II. Head of Finance III. Head of Finance IV. Head of People and Business Change V. Head of Democratic Services	
March	I. School Categorisation	Chief Education     Officer	
2018	II. Improvement Plan Update III. WAO Action Plan Update	2. Head of People & Business Change 3. Head of People & Business Change	
April 2018			