

Economy, Residents, Communities and Governance Scrutiny Committee

Meeting Venue
**Council Chamber, County Hall -
County Hall**

Meeting Date
Monday, 24 June 2019

Meeting Time
10.00 am



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AGENDA

1.	APOLOGIES
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To receive apologies for absence.

2.	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS
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To authorise the Chair to sign the minutes of the previous meeting(s) held as follows as a correct record:

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3.	DECLARATION OF PARTY WHIPS
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To receive disclosures of prohibited party whips which a Member has been given in relation to the meeting in accordance with Section 78(3) of the Local Government Measure 2011.

(NB: Members are reminded that under Section 78 Members having been given a prohibited party whip cannot vote on a matter before the Committee.)

4.	COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP UPDATE
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To receive and consider the report of the Community Safety Partnership Co-ordinator.

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5.	POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR DYFED POWYS POLICE
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Discussion with Mr Dafydd Llywelyn, Police and Crime Commissioner for Dyfed Powys Police

6.	HRA NEW BUILD PROGRAMME
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To receive and consider for pre-scrutiny the report of the Portfolio Holder for Corporate Governance, Housing and Public Protection.

(To Follow)

7.	SCRUTINY OBSERVER - LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN WORKING GROUP
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To appoint a Member of the Committee to be the Scrutiny Observer on the Local Development Plan Working Group to replace County Councillor M Barnes, who is no longer a member of the Committee.

8.	REPORT OF WORKING GROUPS
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To receive the observations report of the Joint Scrutiny Working Group regarding the Vision 2025 Annual Report and Update which met on 11 June 2019.

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9.	SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME
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To receive a copy of the Scrutiny Forward Work Programme and to make any suggestions for items to be added or deleted for consideration by the Co-ordinating Committee.

(Pages 21 - 26)

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ECONOMY, RESIDENTS, COMMUNITIES AND GOVERNANCE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE HELD AT COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY HALL - COUNTY HALL ON WEDNESDAY, 17 APRIL 2019

PRESENT: County Councillor M J Dorrance (Chair)
County Councillors M Barnes, K W Curry, D O Evans, J Gibson-Watt, E M Jones, G Jones, I McIntosh, P C Pritchard and J Pugh

Cabinet Portfolio Holders In Attendance: County Councillors J Evans and M Weale

Officers: Nigel Brinn (Corporate Director - Economy and Environment), Wyn Richards (Scrutiny Manager and Head of Democratic Services), Dafydd Evans (Service Manager Housing Solutions), Peter Morris (Professional Lead - Planning Policy), Greg Thomas (Project Officer Events & Civil Contingencies) and Terry Flynn (Housing Strategy Team Leader)

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from County Councillors L George and D Selby.

2. HOUSING ASSOCIATION DEVELOPMENT

The Committee received the report of the Head of Housing and Community Development.

The Committee noted that the Social Housing Grant (SHG) was year to year grant funding from Welsh Government, whilst the Housing Finance Grant (HFG) was a 30 year revenue grant to Registered Social Landlords (RSLs) to support their borrowing. The Rent To Own (RTO) grant scheme did not come under the TAN2 definition of affordable housing i.e. affordable in perpetuity. After 5 years a person could buy a property under the RTO scheme, and after time this would become a market rate property. The current indication was that for 2021/22 Welsh Government funding would be £1.5million.

The Planned Development Programme (PDP) was a 3 year programme. The funding from Welsh Government was provided annually. However, Councils had to provide a 3 year plan with a nominal idea of costs. Powys has eight housing associations operating within its area. The first guide to allocating housing to associations is based on need, the second is deliverability and the availability of land. Two meetings are held annually with housing association development leads to discuss the way forward.

Extra Care Housing – there are currently 2 schemes with a sum or around £13million allocated which is just short of the £13.2million required. However there is an additional year to go in the programme. The Council's own build programme is set out in appendix 1 to the report.

Question – Who decides how many housing associations can operate within any county? Is the county over supplied with housing associations? What is the link between our own developments and housing association developments – are there enough sites?

Response – The number of housing associations used to be determined by Welsh Government who zoned who used to work in each county. The reason that Powys has so many is that 4 zones overlap in Powys. The current affordable housing review is looking at zoning again which is of concern for Councils and Housing Associations. There is a form of agreement between housing associations as to where they will work.

Part of what the Council is doing regarding Extra Care Housing will reduce the funding for housing associations. The Council will balance this with its own houses. The Council can only build Council houses. Housing associations can build other types of accommodation through their development arms and they will require less grant to do this. This will lead to mixed accommodation types in various locations.

With regard to empty sites, the Council programme has a number of sites identified. 6 or 7 sites are being taken forward initially. The Council plan is initially up to 2025 but it is a 30 year plan. As the pot of funding is limited the gap is being filled by the County Council building social housing.

Question – If there were less housing associations, there would be less overheads which would provide more money for building?

Response – There are some benefits to having a number of housing associations and the Council does challenge them on costs.

The Committee commented on whether it might be appropriate to invite housing associations to scrutiny to discuss some of the issues raised by Members. The Portfolio Holder for Governance, Public Protection and Housing commented that the Council can build properties in locations where housing associations might not wish to build.

Question – What are the criteria used to prioritise Ystradgynlais and Welshpool rather than Brecon for Extra Care Housing? When will something happen in Brecon?

Response – There are potential sites available in Welshpool and Ystradgynlais i.e. Neuadd Maldwyn and Pont Aur. There is no identified site in Brecon at present. Also due to the funding streams there is a need to get the other 2 schemes started. Planning will commence when a site becomes available in Brecon, but the issue is land and when a site is identified.

Officers agreed to provide an update to a future meeting on Brecon.

Question – Neuadd Maldwyn in Welshpool will address the over 55 provision. However what is required in Welshpool is one bedroom accommodation which will not be addressed. School sites in Welshpool are becoming redundant – are these being reserved for social housing?

Response – Welshpool has a number of different and diverse needs. The numbers presenting as homeless is one of the highest in the county. The Housing Service has identified these school sites for housing needs. However there are some other services also bidding for these sites. The need for smaller accommodation is recognised and Mid Wales Housing has a £7million allocation with one of the schemes being for single person accommodation in Welshpool.

Question – Land grabbing by developers is an issue which needs to be addressed by Welsh Government?

Response – The Local Development Plan (LDP) has provisions that if a site is not developed then permissions will be lost. This will be picked up more in the next version of the LDP. The Development Bank of Wales has funding for stalled sites with better rates for loans. The LDP also has overprovided to meet development needs as up to 40% of sites are not developed.

The Committee commented that for the Local Authority Schemes set out in Appendix 1, this shows the local authority quarterly development programme. These show the sites currently planned together with reserve sites. The Committee noted that there are 3 categories namely actual and potential sites as well as reserve sites. However some of the dates have slipped, so the table needed to be updated.

Question – Can the Council build in communities which are now limited due to the current LDP?

Response – The Council has a target to build 250 homes by 2023 and so has identified sites to meet this need. The Council does not prefer to build single properties as there is as much work to develop these as would be for multi property sites. The Committee was advised that Self Build Wales would be available from July 2019 which would be a scheme the Council should promote. This is market housing but much more affordable than ordinary housing. £10million would be available from the Wales Development Bank which local authorities could bid for to develop these types of properties. This could assist in driving self build and the economy of Powys. The Council would provide the land and support the individuals to develop the properties.

Question – The main issue is that local builders are used and that there is also the development of apprenticeships. Does the Council have a plan to make this happen?

Response – The new self build programme will help employ local builders. There is also a need for better careers education in schools to get individuals into vocational training such as apprenticeships. As Careers Wales does not exist any longer the Portfolio Holder for Education and the Welsh Language is looking at this in Powys.

Question – Driving the Powys Pound is good, but there are not enough skills available now. There is a need to ensure that we have the infrastructure in place.

Response – Part of this is lobbying Welsh Government as well to get more people into vocational training.

Question – Big builders who have contracts in Powys do not always sub-contract to local businesses which is a problem for local businesses. The vast majority of work may be done by businesses outside Powys

Response – Powys is tied to EU procurement rules. Other Councils are looking at ways of using local businesses.

Question – The Extra Care Housing proposals are quite costly for a small

number of units. How was the assessment undertaken and how does this affect other social housing demand?

Response – Extra Care Housing is for a small group of people and is seen as a priority for social care to provide independence for individuals. The cost of Extra Care Housing is due to the variation of the accommodation needs over time.

Question – Will housing waiting lists increase as a result of Extra Care Housing?

Response – The hope is that Extra Care Housing may release some family homes.

Outcomes:

- **That Housing officers provide an update to the Committee on the Extra Care Housing project in Brecon at a future meeting.**
- **That the information in the list of Council Schemes (Appendix 1) needs to be updated**

3. PUBLIC TOILETS STRATEGY

The Committee received the report of the Portfolio Holder for Economy and Planning together with associated documents used as part of the consultation exercise which ended on 22 April 2019.

Under the Public Health Wales Act 2017 authorities have to prepare a strategy by May 2019. The focus for the Council has been what toilets are operated / used to be operated by the Council. A request was also made as to what other toilets could be used as public toilets and 96 were identified, but there was not much information on each facility. A survey was also issued to local Members which assisted the process. The data included in the report is only part of the data that was submitted to Welsh Government. Welsh Government's aim is to collate the information across Wales and to publish it on the "Lle" website. An app is to be developed for smartphones as well.

The Committee was advised that the Council had no resource for this work initially. Later Welsh Government did provide some funding. However the Council does not have the resource to keep this data up to date. The Council is required to monitor and review the data in time.

The findings of the review undertaken are:

- All locations generally well covered;
- There are gaps in more remote / rural areas;
- Some transport routes are lacking provision;
- There is no provision in railway stations / halts;
- There are only 2 adult changing facilities at present. Welshpool Town Council are looking to provide this facility on the Berriew Street Car Park and there will be a facility at Y Gaer in Brecon;
- More equality of provision is required for baby changing facilities.

The issue for the Council is how to do something about these issues without any additional resource. Welsh Government have made it clear that there is no funding available for the direct provision of toilets.

The actions arising from the review were included in the draft strategy issued for consultation. Some of the proposed actions included:

- Use of blue toilet stickers by local businesses to indicate where toilets could be used by the public;
- Adult and children changing places – look to implement such facilities when the Council is redeveloping its own buildings, as well as working with Town and Community councils and partners;
- Business Improvement Districts – seek an increase in toilet provision within these areas;
- Making facilities available to the public when buildings are leased by the Council;
- Use of the Planning system;
- Section 106 agreements;
- Use of regulation;
- Events – issue of guidance to organisers;
- Transport Hubs – no railway stations have toilet facilities but toilets are available on trains. The Council needs to make sure that toilets are kept open on the main transport network;
- Cleanliness of facilities – this is not something that the Council can control;
- Cost – people might not have the specific coins required for set charges but would be willing to make a donation;

The actions are to be reviewed by the Council every 2 years.

Question – How easy is it for the public to find toilets? Are there signposts, not everyone has a smartphone to access the app, there is also a lack of wifi in areas. Signposting is something Powys can do something about. Does the app also show if there is a cost to use the toilet or not? Welsh Government have asked for this information, will they ask for it again?

Response – The need for increased signage can be included or expanded in the strategy and the location of toilets can be included on information such as bus timetables. The data held by Welsh Government does include information about charges. Welsh Government are likely to ask for this data again and the Council has to review the strategy again in 2 years. How the Council will gather the information without the resource to do so will be an issue. With regard to signage, if the Council is leasing a property, a checklist could be provided which includes signage to the facilities.

The Committee noted that changing facilities were important and that the National Trust were looking to implement such a facility at Storey Arms.

Question – Why was this information not held by tourism services? Antur Gwy – is this an open facility? Are sports centres and government buildings included and listed?

Response – No idea why this information was not available by tourism service

The Committee noted the suggestion that if Welsh Government believed that the toilets strategy was a priority then it should provide additional funding to Councils.

Question – Llanfair Caereinion is on the trunk road. Grants were provided to Town and Community Councils to keep toilets open on the trunk road. Will these grants continue?

Response – The grant comes in via the transport grant to the Council annually. It was suggested that the Portfolio Holder for Highways be asked to write to Welsh Government seeking assurances about the continuation of the grant in future. It was suggested that this position was unlikely to change but it needed to be confirmed.

Question – The Council provided a grant for 5 years to Town and Community Councils to keep toilets open. The likelihood was that if the grant ceased then toilets would be closed. Has the Council done anything to review the toilets currently closed which are still in the Council's ownership?

Response – 5 conveniences were closed, 56 transferred (49 to Town and Community Councils). Some facilities which have been closed are being used for other purposes and the Strategic Asset Board are looking at current vacant properties.

Question – Is the issue of toilets potentially being closed if grants cease included on a risk register? If some individuals are unlikely to go out if they are elderly or infirm due to a lack of toilets, is there a cost for social inclusion / care due to isolation?

Response – the older persons forum was engaged in the consultation, but it was uncertain if officers have spoken to the service.

It was suggested that this is a preventative service and that this issue should be referred to Adult Services and the Portfolio Holder for Adults. There is also a need to ensure that facilities are available for transgender residents. The need for facilities for tourists and commuters was highlighted.

Outcomes:

- That to enable the Council to update the strategy in two years time that adequate resources be identified;
- That the strategy include the need for signage / signposting of toilet facilities open to the public;
- That the Portfolio Holder for Highways be asked to write to Welsh Government to seek assurances regarding the continuation of the grant to Town and Community Councils for the provision of toilets on the trunk road, currently within the transport grant;
- That the Highways Service include as a risk on its Service risk register, the possible closure of public toilets operated by Town and Community Councils should the grant from the Council be withdrawn;
- That the issue of social isolation for the elderly / infirm due to a lack of public toilets be raised as a concern with the Portfolio Holder for Adults and Adult services.

4. PERFORMANCE AND FINANCE REPORTS

The Committee received the Performance and Finance Reports considered at the Cabinet on 26th March, 2019. The Committee also noted that the Finance Report showed the position at 28 February 2019.

The Scrutiny Manager advised the Committee that its role in considering these reports was to try and make the links between the objectives set in Vision 2025 and how the budget (both revenue and capital) was being used to achieve those objectives.

The Committee considered those elements of the Performance, Finance and Capital Reports which were within the remit of the Committee. The following comments were provided:

- Page 196 – Overspend on Public Transport due to a loss of income on the T4 bus route. The Committee noted that an operator has the ability to declare a route commercial at any point and the Council would then have to step away. However most routes in Powys are subsidised.
- There is a need to unpick issues within services. Most services seem to be operating within their budgets except Highways, Transport and Recycling.
- Savings – there needs to be assurances that savings targets will be met. Councillors did not enjoy putting Council Tax up by 9.5%, therefore services need to stay within their budgets. There is also no sense of a recovery plan to achieve savings.
- It is difficult for Members to understand the budget without looking at “Making It Happen”. It was questioned why the spend on “Making IT Happen” increased from £24 million (2018/19) to £47million (2022/23) (Page 163) when services are only allowed to spend at or near inflation rates.
- It would be useful if Finance Officers and the Leader could attend the next meeting when the budget was being discussed.
- Do we have sufficient information to scrutinise this subject? Why is the Council hiring equipment when it has that equipment in stock? The Chair suggested that this could be a suggestion to the Co-ordinating Committee for an item for scrutiny.
- Need for this information to be in a far simpler format e.g. pie charts. It was suggested that there is also a need to get the budget out in the next 4 months so that discussions could start with the public. The Council also needs a longer term plan. The Scrutiny Manager indicated that he would speak to the Head of Finance about the issue of the simplification of the information.
- The Council would benefit from an earlier indication as to where we are likely to be in terms of the budget for next year. The Portfolio Holder for Finance to be requested to ask Welsh Government for an earlier position statement.
- Highways, Transport and Recycling (HTR) – is the overspend shown in the services’ risk register and what are the plans to turn this around. The Corporate Director (Economy and Environment) indicated that HTRs turnover was around £100million last year and at year end the deficit was around £200k.

Outcomes:

- **There is a need for assurances that either savings targets will be met by services or that a recovery plan is in place;**
- **Need for an explanation for the increased budget for “Making It Happen” from 2018/19 to 2022/23;**
- **Finance Officers and the Leader to be invited to the next meeting when the Committee is discussing the budget;**

- **There is a need for simplification of the financial information e.g. using pie charts;**
- **The Portfolio Holder for Finance to be asked to contact Welsh Government for an earlier indication of the budget position for 2020/21.**

5. SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME

The Committee received a copy of the Scrutiny Forward Work Programme and was asked for any suggestions for items to be added or deleted for consideration by the Co-ordinating Committee.

- Powys Pound – the Committee would be considering the annual report on the Vision 2025 objectives in May. This may be as part of a joint working group arrangement with the other two scrutiny committees.
- 21st Century Schools – there are issues with the schools already built in that there should be a template model developed for both primary and secondary schools which it was suggested would save cost in building. There were also issues with no solar panels in recent schools and therefore no reduction in carbon costs and the costs of heating were too high.
- Mid Wales Growth Deal. The Scrutiny Manager indicated that discussions were already ongoing as to how this would be scrutinised and it was to be discussed at the Co-ordinating Committee at the end of April. The Corporate Director (Economy and Environment) indicated that he could provide a briefing to the Committee on the current position.

Recommendation to the Co-ordinating Committee:

- **Item for scrutiny – 21st Century Schools.**

County Councillor M J Dorrance (Chair)

CRIME AND DISORDER SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

24th June, 2019

Report Author: Fay Smith, CSP Co-ordinator

Subject: Community Safety Partnership Update

REPORT FOR: INFORMATION

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Community Safety Partnerships were formed following the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 which made it a statutory duty for each local authority area to have a Community Safety Partnership.
 - 1.2 Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 imposes a duty on the responsible authorities to: *'Without prejudice to any other obligation imposed upon it... exercise its functions with due regard to...the need to do all it reasonably can to prevent crime and disorder in its area.'*
 - 1.3 The responsible authorities of the Powys Community Safety Partnership are Dyfed/Powys Police; Local Authority; Wales & West Fire Service; Youth Justice Service; Powys teaching Health Board; National Probation Service and Community Rehabilitation Company.
 - 1.4 There are many legislative and cross-cutting issues which influence how Community Safety Partnerships operate, however priorities are determined annually via a Joint Strategic Assessment which draws on intelligence from all partner agencies, as well as service action plans or reports.
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2. DEVELOPMENTS

2.1 The Safer Communities Programme:

The Welsh Government's [Safer Communities Programme](#) was established in December 2017 following the completion of the [Working Together for Safer Communities Review](#) – Welsh Government's response to the Auditor General's [Community Safety in Wales](#) report of the previous year. At the heart of the programme is a new shared vision for community safety in Wales in which:

- Every community is strong, safe and confident in a manner that provides equality of opportunity and social justice, resilience and sustainability for all;
- The shared responsibility of government, public and third sector agencies is to work together with the communities they serve and the private sector to address activity or behaviour that is unlawful, anti-social, harmful to individuals and society and to the environment;
- Sharing knowledge and ensuring early intervention with prompt, positive action tackles local issues and addresses vulnerabilities.

This vision is underpinned by six key principles and a set of 11 commitments from Welsh Government designed to support the refresh of local and regional community safety partnership working ensuring it is:

- Evidence-based and intelligence-led;
- Supported by appropriate skills & knowledge;
- Sustainably resourced and locally appropriate;
- Engaging and involving citizens;
- Preventative and intervening as early as possible;
- Focused on long-term improvements and benefits.

The programme commitments include:

- working with the Commission on Justice in Wales to identify options for the development of a distinct Welsh justice system;
- establishing a dialogue with the Home Office over the appropriateness of the original Crime & Disorder Act as it applies to Wales;
- developing a more clearly defined strategic leadership role for Welsh Government in community safety partnership working;
- establishing a community safety partnership policy & practice function within Welsh Government;
- developing new Welsh guidance for community safety partnership working;
- considering how to establish a Wales Community Safety Network and online resources library;
- exploring opportunities for joint thematic inspection around the 'reducing reoffending' them;
- considering how to improve community safety funding programmes to achieve longer term approaches giving greater flexibility and focus on community safety outcomes;
- improving data sharing, data development and analysis arrangements for community safety partnership working.

The programme is being taken forward under the direction of a multi-agency programme board. Chaired by Jane Hutt AM, Deputy Minister & Chief Whip, with representatives from:

- Welsh Government;
- the Home Office;
- the Ministry of Justice;
- Welsh Police & Crime Commissioners and
- Chief Constables (Policing in Wales Group); the
- Welsh Local Government Association (WLGA);
- Society of Local Authority Chief Executives (SOLACE);
- Her Majesty's Prison & Probation Service (HMPPS);
- Youth Justice Board (YJB) Cymru;
- Welsh Fire & Rescue Services Chief Officers;
- Public Health Wales (PHW);
- Community Justice Cymru (CJC);
- Welsh Local Health Boards (LHBs).

Senior Responsible Officers from the programme board have been appointed to lead workstreams based on the six key principles. The board has agreed that the delivery plan will utilise dispersed leadership methodology to ensure it involves all key stakeholders, is collaborative and integrated in its approach, and places an emphasis on sustainable action that is preventative or intervening as early as possible. Programme implementation is initially focused on Serious & Organised Crime and associated 'county lines' activity and serious violence, agreed as the most pressing priority for all partners and areas within Wales.

2.2 Serious Organised Crime (SOC)

Nationally County Lines is having a big impact upon Communities, Powys is not exempt from this.

The Home Office held the Wales official launch of the Serious Organised Crime Strategy on the 9th May, in Newport. This event was attended by agencies from across Wales and some of the Key Note speakers were -

- Lynne Owens, Director General, National Crime Agency
- Rt Hon Ben Wallace MP, Minister of State for Security and Economic Crime
- Jane Hutt, Deputy Minister and Chief Whip
- Debbie Wilcox, Leader of Newport City Council and Leader of Welsh Local Government Association

There is a Regional Serious Organised Crime Board which meets quarterly, and Local SOC Boards have recently commenced, which meet quarterly and feed into the Regional Group. Tactical SOC groups will be called as and when required.

It is important to note that County Lines (drugs) is only one form of Serious Organised Crime, there is also Child Sexual Exploitation, Modern Slavery, Illicit Tobacco etc.

Currently Powys has 6 Organised Crime Groups – 5 in relation to drugs, 1 in relation to Illicit Tobacco which is being managed by our own Powys Trading Standards in a case which involves considerable sums of criminal monies.

2.3 Domestic Homicide Reviews

On the 10th April 2018 Powys CSP published its first DHR. Tragically later in April 2018, a further domestic homicide took place. Powys CSP have recruited an Independent Chair and the review process is underway.

Recommendation	Reason for Recommendation
The Committee notes the contents of the Report	For Information only

Relevant Policy (ies) :	n/a		
Within Policy	Y/N	Within Budget	Y/N n/a

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CSP Priorities - Update

The 2018/19 priorities were:-

- **Crime** - Priority areas:

Vehicle Offences

Powys has seen an increase of 13.4% (32). Nationally there has been a 2% increase. We have been particularly hit by theft of quads over recent months.

Public Order Offences

Powys has seen an increase of 18.4% (64). This is however a reduction on the increase seen in the previous year. There are no trends associated with this type of offending.

Other Theft

Powys has seen a reduction of 9.9% (121) offences of theft during 2018/19.

Violence Against the Person

Powys has seen an increase of 17.8% (381) – this has links to Serious Organised Crime – update in main report.

- **Road Safety**

Overall KSI rates are stable from the baseline to date with a steady downward trend, albeit it is unlikely that the 2020 target will be achieved. Prevention work is in line with the campaign and operations calendar that is shared pan-Wales. Fluctuations in figures year on year can be attributed to weather, economic conditions and traffic volumes.

The Fatal 5 strands representing the major of contributory factors in KSI RTCs form a theme throughout the campaign calendar – drink/drug driving; speeding; careless driving; seatbelt wearing; mobile phones/distraction.

Overall, there is a decreasing frequency in deaths on the road network but as the numbers get smaller the greater the challenge to maintain a stable level let alone decrease further.

- **Substance Misuse**

Reducing Substance Misuse is a statutory responsibility of the CSP, which is discharged by the Area Planning Board.

The provider is reportedly seeing more individuals with chaotic drug use in treatment who have previously been stable.

It is felt that this is largely in relation to the success of the County Lines operation within the area, with a sustained amount of referrals received from arrest and probation.

APB priorities include:

- Working with Kaleidoscope and other partners to improve KPI performance
- Working with WG and strategic partners to consider implications of the HIW Review and its recommendations
- Working with partners to develop and implement co-occurring process and training



CSP Priorities - Update

- **Reducing Re-offending**

A number of methods in operation are:

- Integrated Offender Management (IOM)
- Youth Justice Service, YISP and Detached Youth Service
- Daily work of both the National Probation Service and the Community Rehabilitation Company
- Work led by Trading Standards in relation to Acquisitive Crime, Rogue Traders, Supply of illicit substances etc.
- VAWDA&SV – violence against women, domestic abuse and sexual violence.

- **Community Cohesion**

The Welsh Government has not produced a new Community Cohesion plan, but rather four themes:

- Work at a strategic level to build community cohesion and inclusion.
- Work at a local level to break down barriers to inclusion and integration for particular groups and communities.
- Support for migrants, refugees, asylum seekers, and settled communities during the integration process.
- Support for communities to prevent and manage community tensions, hostility and extremism.

This concludes the Community Safety Partnership update.



Economy, Residents, Communities and Governance Scrutiny Committee

Scrutiny Observations to Cabinet on: 18.06.2019 Vision 2025 Annual Performance Report and Update

A Joint Scrutiny Working Group comprising Members from the Economy Residents, Communities and Governance, Learning and Skills and Health and Care Scrutiny Committees met on 11.06.2019 and considered the following documents:

- Vision 2025 Annual Performance Report and Update.

The Joint Scrutiny Working Group thank the Portfolio Holder and Leader County Councillor Rosemarie Harris, Emma Palmer, Head of Strategy, Performance and Transformation Programmes, and Rhian Jones, Strategic Planning and Risk Officer, for attending scrutiny.

The Joint Working Group considered the annual report taking account of the areas of questioning set out in the agenda. Members commented that the document was an improvement on the previous year's report, and noted that the recommendations arising from the scrutiny of the previous year's report had all been accepted and incorporated into the final report.

An issue was raised regarding careers guidance to school pupils particularly about the lack of guidance on vocational pathways including apprenticeships. It was suggested that this could assist in filling future skills requirement in the county. This was a subject which could be considered by the Learning and Skills Scrutiny Committee in its future work programme

It was also considered whether future reports should state what the Council intended to do, what has it done, and what was next. In addition the use of examples of good practice such as the Public Health Wales report where outcomes were shown on a single sheet of paper should be considered.

Scrutiny's Recommendation	Accept (plus Action and timescale)	Partially Accept (plus Rationale and Action and timescale)	Reject (plus Rationale)
1 Guiding Principles – there is a need to clarify that these are the Future Generations Principles which we have to adhere to. PSB should also be mentioned	Accept and action completed		

	and how Vision 2025 and Vision 2040 inter-relate			
2	The plan should emphasise that Council is taking the lead on 4 of the 12 steps, as if we are doing well we should promote this	Accepted and revised wording included in the report.		
3	The role of Councillors needs to be referenced in the document e.g. involvement in scrutiny, performance monitoring, other democratic roles, Improvement and Assurance Board as this demonstrates the role of Members in Corporate Leadership and ownership of the document	Accepted and additional wording included in the document.		
4	The work that has been undertaken last year on governance needs to be captured in the report and how the Council plans to move forward over the next 2 or 3 years	This is already included as updates to the plan and future activity is now included in the report		
5	The report should indicate the work that is being progressed in the future which will be incorporated in Service Improvement Plans (SIPs) arising from the review of performance e.g. implementation of WHQS has been successful but 14% of tenants not satisfied – how is	This is already included as updates to the plan and future activity is now included in the report		

	the Council addressing this?			
6	Case studies – the report should include evidence as to what the Council is intending to do next	Accepted and additional wording included in the document.		
7	Whilst it is acknowledged that it is difficult to show outcomes in some cases such as the Careers Festival, positive points should be highlighted in the report such as previous pupils from Powys who are successful in their careers and are role models for current pupils, attending the Festival	Accepted and additional wording included in the document.		
8	The report should seek to link positive outcomes to more than one measure where possible		Partly Accepted – to be considered for next year’s report.	
9	In future reports outcomes should be included and what has changed for individuals as a result, which would demonstrate the impact the Council is having		Partly Accepted – to be considered for next year’s report	

In accordance with Rule 7.27.2 the Cabinet is asked to provide a written response to the scrutiny report, including an action plan where appropriate, as soon as possible or at the latest within 2 months of the date of the Cabinet meeting i.e. by 18.08.2019

Members Present:

Economy, Residents, Communities and Governance Scrutiny Committee	County Councillors: M Dorrance (Lead Member), J Gibson-Watt and J Pugh
Learning and Skills Scrutiny Committee:	County Councillor P Roberts and Mr G. Robson (Co-opted Member)
Health and Care Scrutiny Committee:	County Councillors J. Charlton and H. Hulme

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2019					
JUNE 2019					
Mon 10/06/19	Audit (seminar)	Draft Statement of Accounts			
10/06/19 - 14/06/19	ERCG WG				
11/06/19	HC WG	Complaints, compliments and Comments (Children's and Adults) North Powys Project			
12/06/19	Finance Panel	MTFS Budget Process			
14/06/2019 change to 100619 because of OVO tour	LS WG (EXTRA MTG)	Post 16 Review Defer to 08719 School Major Imp (additional funding) Defer TBC			
17/06/19 - 21/06/19	LS School Scrutiny Panel	School 1 TBC			
Mon 24/06/19	ERCG	HRA New Build Programme Crime and Disorder Police and Crime Commissioner to discuss Needs Assessment Survey		25/06/19	09/07/19
Thurs 27/06/2019	HC	CIW Monitoring Report (Adults) TEC Tribe and robotics Information, Advice and Assistance Finance and Performance			
tbc	HC	ACRF			
JULY 2019					
03/07/19	Finance Panel	Financial Overview and Forecast - May			
Mon 08/07/2019 pm	LS	Complaints, Compliments and Comments (defer as Post 16 will take up this meeting) Schools Service Budget monitoring Post 16 Review			
	ERCG WG	Strategic Equality Plan - end of year Annual Information Governance Report			09/07/19
08/07/19 - 12/07/19	ERCG AND HC WG				

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15/07/19 - 19/07/19	LS WG				
Thurs 18/07/2019	PSB	Annual Report Wellbeing Plan		04/06/19	
24/07/19	Finance Panel	Financial overview and forecast - June			
AUGUST 2019					
Mon 19/08/2019 am	LS				
Mon 19/08/2019 pm	HC	Day and Employment Services Option Appraisal			
Tues 20/08/19	ERCG	Tenants Satisfaction Survey Vision 2025: Our CIP Quarter 4 2018-19 Performance Report		03/09/19	17/09/19
Fri 30/08/2018	Audit Seminar	Statement of Accounts			
02/09/19 - 06/09/19	LS WG				
03/09/19	HC WG	Safeguarding and Good Social Work Practice Safeguarding (Adults) Occupational Therapy Update			
Fri 06/09/2019	Audit Committee	Final Statement of Accounts and AGS Annual Governance Statement Annual Improvement Report TM Review and Q1 Strategic Risk Register Internal Audit Performance Monitoring			
09/09/19 - 13/09/19	ERCG AND HC WG				
13/09/19	Finance Panel	Financial overview and forecast - July			17/09/19
16/09/19 - 20/09/19	LS WG				
23/09/19 - 27/09/19	ERCG WG	Local Housing Market Assessment - delayed from June 2019			
	HC WG				

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OCTOBER 2019					
Tues 01/10/2019	PSB				
02/10/19	Finance Panel	Financial overview and forecast - August			08/10/19
Mon 07/10/2019 pm	LS	School Balances and schools service budget Standards (provisional) and Inspection Outcomes Early Years standards and provision Specialist Centre Provision (from May 19)			
Mon 14/10/19	ERCG	HRA Asset Management Strategy		22/10/19	05/11/19
Fri 18/10/2019	HC	Assist/Cymorth Quality Assurance - Adults Finance and Performance			
21/10/19 - 25/10/19	LS School Scrutiny Panel	School 2			
22/10/19	HC WG	Independent Reviewing and Quality Assurance			
28/10/19 - 01/11/19	ERCG WG				
31/10/19	FP	Financial overview and forecast - September			05/11/19
NOVEMBER 2019					
04/11/19 - 08/11/19	LS WG				
11/11/19 - 15/11/19	ERCG WG				
13/11/19	HC WG	Eligibility Criteria Reablement Review Update Impact of Asset Based Practice.Collaborative Communication Active Offer			
Mon 18/11/2019	LS				
Mon 25/11/19	ERCG	Crime and Disorder			
25/11/19	Finance Panel	Financial overview and forecast -October			27/11/19
Fri 29/11/2019 pm	HC	Strategy for Residential Care			

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		FRM			
DECEMBER 2019					
04/12/2019	SCwG	Information, Advice and Assistance			
02/12/19 - 06/12/19					
	LS WG				
09/12/19 - 13/12/19	ERCG AND HC WG				
12/12/19	Finance Panel	Financial overview and forecast - November			
Thurs 19/12/2019	Audit				17/12/19
2020					
JANUARY 2020					
H&C		Return to Home/Accommodation for individuals with a learning disability Section 33 Residential Care Direct Payments Continuing Health Care			
ERCG		Extra Care Housing - Brecon - update			
13/01/20 - 17/01/20					
21/01/20 - 24/01/20	Committees				
27/01/20 - 31/01/20	Committees				
	Working Groups				
FEBRUARY 2020					
03/02/20 - 07/02/20					
10/02/20 - 14/02/20	Committees				
17/02/20 - 21/02/20	Committees				
24/02/20 - 28/02/20	Working Groups				
	Working Groups				
MARCH 2020					
02/03/20 - 06/03/20					
09/03/20 - 13/03/20	Committees				
16/03/20 - 20/03/20	Working Groups				
23/03/20 - 27/03/20	Working Groups				
30/03/20 - 03/04/20	Working Groups				
	Working Groups				
APRIL 2020					
06/04/20 - 09/04/20					
14/04/20 - 17/04/20	Committees				

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20/04/20 - 24/04/20	Committees				
27/04/20 - 01/05/20	Working Groups				
	Working Groups				
MAY 2020					
05/05/20 - 08/05/20					
11/05/20 - 15/05/20	Working Groups				
18/05/20 - 22/05/20	Working Groups				
26/05/20 - 29/05/20	Committees				
	Committees				
JUNE 2020					
01/06/20 - 05/06/20					
08/06/20 - 12/06/20	Working Groups				
15/06/20 - 19/06/20	Working Groups				
22/06/20 - 26/06/20	Working Groups	Proportion of revenue spend increase 2% 19/20			
29/06/20 - 03/07/20	Working Groups	Assess effectiveness of marketing programme			
	Committees	Check inward investment strategy and action plan			
Q1 2020					
	ERCG				
	HC				
	Audit				
	LS				
JULY 2020					
06/07/20 - 10/07/20					
13/07/20 - 17/07/20	Committees				
27/07/20 - 31/07/20	Working Groups				
	Working Groups				
AUGUST 2020					
17/08/20 - 21/08/20					
24/08/20 - 28/08/20	Working Groups				
31/08/20 - 04/09/20	Working Groups				
	Committees				
SEPTEMBER 2020					
07/09/20 - 11/09/20					
14/09/20 - 18/09/20	Committees	Increase % of pupils assessed in Welsh in Year 2			
21/09/20 - 25/09/20	Working Groups				
28/09/20 - 02/10/20	Working Groups				
	Working Groups				
Q2 2020					

