

**CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL**

**PORTFOLIO HOLDER DELEGATED DECISION**

**by**

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Consultation – Shaping Wales’s Future (National  
Indicators and Milestones)**

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**REPORT FOR: Decision**

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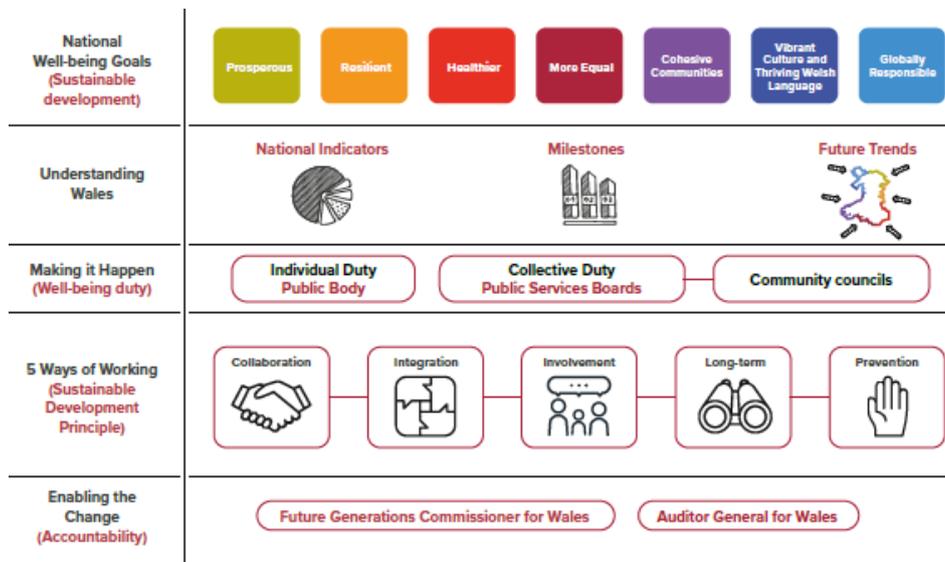
**1. Purpose**

1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek portfolio holder approval to submit the council’s corporate response in relation to the Welsh Government (WG) Consultation - Shaping Wales’s Future Using National Indicators and Milestones to measure our Nation’s progress (copy of consultation document can be found in Appendix A).

**2. Background**

2.1 In 2016 Welsh Government agreed 46 National Indicators that would be used to demonstrate progress towards the seven well-being goals set out in the Well-being of Future Generations Wales Act 2015. They are not performance indicators for an individual organisation but are collective measures of success for Wales. This contribution can come from the public, private and third sector as well as individuals and communities. Public bodies subject to the Act each have a responsibility to take action and make a contribution to the achievement of the goals. Each year the Welsh Government publishes a ‘Well-being of Wales’ report which includes data against all 46 indicators alongside other relevant data.

2.2 The diagram below shows how the national indicators and proposed milestones align to the Well-being goals and 5 ways of working.



2.3 In 2019, WG consulted on development of national milestones as required by the Act. The national milestones will be targets set against the national indicators to help understand whether we are on the right track. The consultation helped identify a small set of 16 indicators (from the 46) against which to set national milestones. Due to some disruption in WG's ability to collect some data, they have decided to take a two-wave approach to setting the milestones against the 16 identified Indicators. The first wave of nine national milestones will be set in 2021. These are the areas where the supporting data has been less impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic or where WG propose making an existing and widely supported target into a national milestone for Wales.

2.4 WG intend to deliver the second wave of national milestones in 2022. This will allow further work to be undertaken to mitigate the disruption to the supporting data sources. The WG consultation seeks views on draft values for the first wave of national milestones for Wales to be laid before the Senedd in December 2021. The consultation also asks for views on some limited changes to the indicator set to reflect the lessons learned and experiences from the COVID-19 pandemic in particular.

2.5 Relevant council services have been given the opportunity to feed into the corporate response and feedback has been consolidated into one response written by the Transformation and Communications team on behalf of the Council.

### 3. Advice

3.1 That the Portfolio Holders approve the Corporate Consultation response (attached at Appendix B) for submission to WG, ensuring the council's views are represented and considered as part of the consultation process.

3.2 This is an important opportunity for Powys County Council to help shape the national milestones that will be used to demonstrate progress of public bodies against the Seven Well-being Goals in the Well-being of Future generations Wales Act. The first wave of proposed milestones have particular relevance to the council's following services; Education, Workforce and

Organisational Development, Housing, Transport, Children's Services and Economy and Digital.

#### **4. Resource Implications**

4.1 There are no direct resource implications in relation to this report.

#### **5. Legal implications**

5.1 Legal: The recommendation can be supported from a legal point of view.

5.2 The Head of Legal and Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer) has commented as follows: "I note the legal comment and have nothing to add to the report".

#### **6. Data Protection**

6.1 The proposal does not involve the processing of personal data.

#### **7. Comment from local member(s)**

7.1 N/A

#### **8. Impact Assessment**

8.1 This is a Welsh Government consultation response and therefore doing an Impact Assessment is not required.

#### **8. Recommendation**

**It is recommended that the Portfolio Holders approve Powys County Councils official consultation response (attached at Appendix B) for submission to Welsh Government by the deadline of the 26<sup>th</sup> October 2021.**

**The recommendation above will ensure:**

- **Powys County Councils feedback is considered by Welsh Government when finalising the National Indicators and Milestones as part of their First Wave of development.**

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