

CEREDIGION COUNTY COUNCIL

Report to: Cabinet

Date of meeting: 5th October 2021

Title: Action and decision log of the Cross Party Transformation and Efficiency Consultative Group

Purpose of the report: To update the Cabinet on the work of the Cross Party Transformation and Efficiency Consultative Group

For: Information

Cabinet Portfolio and Cabinet Member: Councillor Ellen ap Gwynn, Leader of the Council;
Councillor Ray Quant MBE, Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Customer Contact, Legal and Governance, People and Organisation;
Councillor Gareth Lloyd, Cabinet Member for Finance and Procurement Services and Public Protection Services.

On 3rd September 2019, Cabinet agreed to the amendments to the Terms of Reference of the Council's Transformation and Performance programme. However, the routine reporting of minutes to Cabinet for the purposes of transparency continues; and therefore made available for public scrutiny. The amendment to the Terms of Reference requires the reporting of discussions to Cabinet 'as soon as reasonably practicable following a meeting of the Group'.

The Cross Party Transformation and Efficiency Consultative Group met on 10th September 2021. The draft action and decision log of the meeting is enclosed in Appendix A, for information.

Has an Integrated Impact Assessment been completed? If, not, please state why

Integrated Impact Assessments have or will be presented along with any reports specific to the Transformation projects

Summary:

Wellbeing of Future Generations:	Long term:	N/A
	Integration:	N/A
	Collaboration:	N/A
	Involvement:	N/A
	Prevention:	N/A

Recommendation(s): To note the action and decision log of the Cross Party Transformation and Efficiency Consultative Group.

Reasons for decision: To enable the successful management of the entire Transformation Programme and the routine reporting of progress and benefits realisation necessary to inform the Council's strategic plan and financial monitoring.

Overview and Scrutiny: The Through Age and Wellbeing Strategy and Action Plan was considered by a joint meeting of the Healthier Communities and Learning Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committees on 17th September 2021.

Policy Framework: Transformation programme

Corporate Priorities:

- Boosting the Economy
- Investing in People's Futures
- Enabling Individual and Family Resilience
- Promoting Environmental and Community Resilience

Finance and Procurement implications: Within existing budget / identified budget savings.

Legal implications: None relating to the draft action and decision log – further detail will be provided when individual proposals are presented to Cabinet.

Staffing implications: None relating to the draft action and decision log – further detail will be provided when individual proposals are presented to Cabinet.

Property / asset implications: None relating to the draft action and decision log – further detail will be provided when individual proposals are presented to Cabinet.

Risk(s): None relating to the draft action and decision log – further detail will be provided when individual proposals are presented to Cabinet.

Statutory Powers: Local Government Act 2000
Local Government Measure (Wales) 2011
Social Services and Wellbeing (Wales) Act 2014

Background Papers:

- Cabinet report 1st December 2020 and minute C97;
- Cabinet report 25th February 2020 and minute C154;

- Cabinet report 15th October 2019 and minute C97;
- Cabinet report 3rd September 2019 (including amended Terms of Reference) and minute C73;
- Cabinet report 5th February 2019 and minute C184 (ii);
- Cabinet report 16th October 2018 and minute C100;
- Cabinet report 27th March 2018 and minute C237;
- Cabinet minute 5th September 2017 and minute C65;
- Cabinet report in relation to amendments to the operating arrangements and structure of the Council's Transformation and Performance programme – 5th September 2017.

Appendices:

- Appendix A - Cross Party Transformation and Efficiency Consultative Group Action and Decision log – 10th September 2021 (draft).

Lead Officer:

Eifion Evans, Chief Executive

Reporting Officer:

Lowri Edwards – Corporate Lead Officer: Democratic Services

Date:

10th September 2021

Cross Party Transformation and Efficiency Consultative Group Meeting

Friday, 10th September 2021

2.00pm – 4.10pm

Via video-conferencing

ACTION AND DECISION LOG

Councillors present:	Councillor Ellen ap Gwynn (Chair); Councillors Bryan Davies, Ceredig Davies, Elizabeth Evans, Keith Evans, Gareth Lloyd and Ray Quant MBE
Observers present:	None.
Officers in attendance:	Eifion Evans (EE), Barry Rees (BR), Caroline Lewis (CL), Russell Hughes-Pickering (RHP), Lowri Edwards (LE), Elen James (EJ), Arwyn Morris (AM), Sian Howys (SH) and Arwyn Davies (AD).
Apologies:	Councillors: Clive Davies and Gareth Davies Officers: Steve Johnson Observers: Councillors Rowland Rees-Evans and Wyn Thomas

Agenda item	Action / Decision	Officer(s) responsible	Target date	Comments
Disclosures of interest	There were no disclosures of interest.			
Action and decision log of previous meeting – 26 th October 2020	Action and decision log agreed as correct	-	-	None.
Matters arising	There were no matters arising.	-	-	None.

Agenda item	Action / Decision	Officer(s) responsible	Target date	Comments
Through Age and Wellbeing Strategy	To present the TAW Strategy and Action Plan to a joint meeting of the Healthier Communities and Learning Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committees on 17 th September, followed by Cabinet and Council in October.	CL, EJ, DP, SH & AM	17 th September 2021; 5 th October 2021 and 23 rd October 2021.	<p>The Through Age and Wellbeing (TAW) Strategy and Action Plan had been circulated to all Group members in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>CL gave a presentation regarding the process of developing the TAW Strategy – which sets out the vision and associated approaches The Strategy would be implemented between 2021 and 2027. Officers also presented the Action Plan which supports the delivery of the Strategy.</p> <p>The importance of working in partnership with Hywel Dda University Health Board and Dyfed Powys Police was emphasised, and it was noted that both parties were supportive of the principles of the model. Further discussions will take place in due course.</p> <p>It was noted that CIW was supportive of the Strategy and discussions will take place with WG Ministers following approval by Council.</p>
Presentation on the proposed structure for Growth and Enterprise	The Group welcomed the proposed structure as presented and noted that it would support the delivery of the Economic Strategy as well	-	-	<p>AD presented an outline of the proposed structure for the Growth and Enterprise service.</p> <p>The Ceredigion Economic Strategy has been approved and the proposed structure</p>

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	as short and long term priorities outlined.			<p>has been developed based on the Strategy's priorities as well as short and long term priorities such as Growth and Major development, assets and project delivery as well as the changing funding landscape across many of the service's functions.</p> <p>AD confirmed that they were currently at consultation staff with staff regarding the proposed structure and would be moving to recruitment in October with the jobs filled by January. The key principles of the structure are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matrix management • Fewer 'silos' • Commercial focus • Improved service delivery • Strong internal and external stakeholder engagement.
The future of the Cross Party Transformation and Efficiency Consultative Group	Agreed to convene one further meeting in January 2022 to monitor the delivery of the TAW Strategy and to be briefed on the restructuring of Phase 3 of Highways and Environmental Services.	LE	January 2022	A discussion was held regarding the future of the Cross Party Transformation and Efficiency Consultative Group.
Any other business:				
None.				