

FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: **12 MARCH 2024** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 4**

REPORT OF: **Chief Executive**

SUBJECT: **ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: Cabinet to approve the proposed changes to the Annual Performance Report for 2023/24, which includes incorporating the Council Plan 2023-28 End of Year Performance report into the Annual Performance report.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** Chief officers and senior managers. Also, throughout the year by Cabinet and Overview and Scrutiny Committees regularly reviewing Council Plan 2023-28 performance reports.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: None.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: **12 MARCH 2024** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 5**

REPORT OF: **Corporate Manager – Capital Programme & Assets**

SUBJECT: **STRATEGIC EQUALITY PLAN ANNUAL REPORT**
2022/23

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:

- (1) Cabinet note the progress made during the year to meet our statutory duties in relation to equalities.
- (2) Cabinet endorse the progress made against the Strategic Equality Plan 2022/23, prior to publication of the annual report on the Council website.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: Relevant officers, including the Corporate Equalities Board, were consulted to update the Annual Report.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: None.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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DATE OF MEETING: **12 MARCH 2024** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 6**

REPORT OF: **Corporate Manager – Capital Programme & Assets**

SUBJECT: **STRATEGIC EQUALITY PLAN 2024-28**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: Cabinet approves the Council’s equality objectives and Strategic Equality Plan (SEP) 2024-2028, prior to publication.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** A regional survey was undertaken in partnership with other public bodies in North Wales to identify inequalities and issues raised by people with protected characteristics. The Regional Community Cohesion Team also completed engagement activities with people with protected characteristics to identify the inequalities that needed to be addressed.

The draft Strategic Equality Plan 2024-28 was considered by Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee at their December meeting.

Formal consultation with the wider public has also taken place.

Relevant officers, including the Corporate Equalities Board, were consulted.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: None.


DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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DATE OF MEETING: **12 MARCH 2024** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 7**

REPORT OF: **Chief Officer (Housing and Communities)**

SUBJECT: **HOMELESSNESS & ROUGH SLEEPER UPDATE
REPORT & HOMELESSNESS POLICY**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:

(1) To note the report and continue to support the work being undertaken by the Housing and Prevention Service.

(2) To approve the draft Homeless Accommodation policy.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** Consultation with housing support providers to ensure sustainability of services for those people who need them.

The report was presented to the Community and Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 6th March 2024.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

Revenue: Statutory homeless services are funded through Council Fund. Additional duties placed on Councils and the current demands on services and emergency housing is resulting in additional expenditure and budget pressures, when the Council is already facing significant financial challenges. Whilst some grant is available for 2024-2025 for emergency housing and other discretionary funding, this is not yet confirmed and will not be sufficient to cover the full scale of the financial risk.

Capital: Increasing housing supply will require significant capital

investment and has been flagged early within the Council's Capital Programme. The Flintshire Housing Prospectus has been approved by Council and shared with our Housing Partners. Delivery of the Social Housing Grant supports the Council's ambitious plans to increase housing supply at scale and pace. The Transitional Accommodation Capital Programme (TACP) grant regime also supports the purchase and redevelopment of accommodation for the purpose of move on accommodation or additional homeless accommodation.

Human Resources: The Homeless Team has seen a significant amount of staff turnover in recent years. Further recruitment as part of the Housing and Prevention Service restructure is required and is costed through Council Fund and HSG. Levels of sickness and work-related stress is closely monitored within this high demand service. Vicarious trauma because of difficult cases is managed through a range of additional support activities in addition to the Council's Corporate Employee Assistance Programme (Vivup).

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None.

DISPENSATIONS

None.

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DATE OF MEETING: **12 MARCH 2024** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 8**

REPORT OF: **Chief Officer (Streetscene and Transportation)**

SUBJECT: **RESOURCE AND WASTE STRATEGY**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: (1) That Cabinet acknowledges the progress made on achieving a robust and effective Resources and Waste Strategy to meet net zero targets, achieve statutory recycling targets, and mitigate against the risk of infraction fines.

(2) That Cabinet approves the Resource and Waste Strategy to meet net zero targets, achieve statutory recycling targets, and mitigate against the risk of infraction fines.

(3) That Cabinet agrees that a further report be presented in June outlining the Council's transition to a restricted capacity residual waste collection model.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As outlined in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Streetscene and Regional Transport Strategy. Flintshire residents. Elected Members. Town and Community Councils. Members of the Senedd. Members of Parliament. Flintshire County Council officers and employees. Groups with protected characteristics.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: The work is being supported by Local Partnerships and Waste Resources Action Programme (WRAP) Cymru.

Recruitment of a Waste Strategy Manager and Recycling, Compliance and Data Officers has been undertaken.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None.


DISPENSATIONS

None.

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DATE OF MEETING: **12 MARCH 2024** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 9**

REPORT OF: **Chief Officer (Streetscene and Transportation)**

SUBJECT: **OUTCOME OF ADOPTION OF LOCAL TOILET STRATEGY**

- RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:**
- (1) That Cabinet acknowledges the work done to date on the results from the Local Toilet Strategy questionnaire and 12-week consultation.
 - (2) That Cabinet approves the new revised Flintshire County Council Local Toilet Strategy 2024 and renewed action plan included within.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Streetscene and Regional Transport Strategy. Streetscene and Transportation Programme Board (October 2022). Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Committee (March 2023). Local Toilet Strategy Questionnaire (June 2023). A 12-week public consultation on the proposed new Local Toilet Strategy between 29th September 2023 – 22nd December 2023.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: Flintshire County Council is committed to sustainability in its own operations as well as across the county more widely through climate change and carbon reduction.

Revenue: The portfolio currently has £89k revenue budget available for

maintaining the existing public conveniences and any additional provision will need to take into account the impact on future revenue budgets for the ongoing cleaning, maintenance and repairs. The current national and local financial position is under increasing pressure and there is little prospect of the portfolio being able to allocate any substantial increase in revenue funding to this nonstatutory service provision; consequently, the ongoing impacts of budget reductions will continue to impose a downward pressure on revenue budgets. When planning the future provision of local toilets, we have to consider the current financial constraints on the service area as well as ongoing future budget reductions. Cleaning and maintenance operations and standards will need to be reviewed on a periodic basis to ensure the most efficient and effective provision within allocated resources.

Capital: There may be implications for the approved capital programme for 2025-2026 and future financial years. The existing toilet facilities are in old structures or standalone facilities, which can make them difficult to maintain and they are in need of significant capital investment, which is limited. Additionally, the Public Health (Wales) Act 2017, as published by Welsh Government, has no funding opportunities for LAs to utilise or additional provisions attached to it. Unfortunately, public toilets can also become a magnet for anti-social behaviour such as drug taking and vandalism, which can impact the provision and cause considerable damage. Any capital or revenue commitment will need to be supported through a business case approach, taking account of full costs and possible income sources.

Human Resources: considerations will need be required with regards to the current cleansing contractor and the

possibilities of the TUPE regulations and the potential opportunities for the cleansing operations to be incorporated with NEWYDD

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None.

DISPENSATIONS

None.

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DATE OF MEETING: **12 MARCH 2024** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 10**

REPORT OF: **Chief Officer (Planning, Environment and Economy)**

SUBJECT: **AUDIT WALES ASSURANCE & RISK ASSESSMENT
REPORT – CARBON REDUCTION PLAN**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That Cabinet notes the outcome of the Audit Wales report, the Council's response to it and supports the actions being taken to address its recommendation.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** None.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: Capital investment is required to realise these actions, however the Council has a history of both invest to save, and utilising external funding streams to realise the aims around decarbonisation. The Council continues to ensure it is appraised with available external funding opportunities, and adopts collaborative working to reduce costs where possible.

Revenue resource will also be required to manage and implement some of these interventions. Compared to neighbouring authorities, the Council has limited dedicated resource for the programme, and officers' ability to lead on projects alongside their usual roles may be unsustainable and risk the progress of programme delivery. Business cases will continue to be developed for projects on an as and when basis.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: **12 MARCH 2024** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 11**

REPORT OF: **Corporate Finance Manager**

SUBJECT: **REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2023/24 (MONTH 10)**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: (1) To note the report and the estimated financial impact on the 2023/24 budget.

(2) To support the carry forward requests.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** None.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: As outlined in the report.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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DATE OF MEETING: **12 MARCH 2024** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 13**

REPORT OF: **Chief Officer (Governance)**

SUBJECT: **REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL TAX PREMIUM SCHEME**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: Cabinet is asked to support the commissioning of a public consultation on whether the premium levels for long term empty properties and second homes should be varied from April 2025, and if so, to what level.

DECISION: Cabinet is asked to support the commissioning of a public consultation on whether the premium levels for long term empty properties and second homes should be varied from April 2025.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** When considering any changes to the council tax premium scheme or the premium rates, the Council is required to undertake a full public consultation to gain feedback, including feedback from taxpayers directly impacted by the changes.

Feedback can then be considered by Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee, prior to any final Cabinet recommendations and adoption by full Council.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: If Cabinet (and Council) decide to increase the level of the premium on long term empty properties and/or second homes following a public consultation, there is a possibility of increasing the council tax Base, which is used for tax setting purposes, and also the council tax yield and to use any additional revenue generated to help

meet local housing needs, in line with the policy intentions of the premium scheme.

The premium scheme already provides additional council tax income to meet the demand on services or to use any additional revenue generated to help meet local housing needs, in line with the policy intentions of the premium scheme.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None.

DISPENSATIONS

None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: **12 MARCH 2024** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 14**

REPORT OF: **Chief Officer (Housing and Communities)**

SUBJECT: **AUDIT WALES REPORT - HOMELESSNESS**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: (1) To note the Audit Wales report into Homelessness Services at Flintshire County Council.

(2) To support the suggested responses to the recommendations of Audit Wales.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations, along with an additional recommendation of:

(3) That formal thanks be passed on to the Homelessness and Prevention Service Team for their work undertaken on the challenges faced on a daily basis.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** The Audit Wales Team engaged with residents, front line staff, partners and senior leaders and politicians at the Council as part of their review.

Recommendation 3 of the Audit Wales report highlights a need to extend consultation and engagement activities associated with homelessness in Flintshire and the Audit Response attached as Appendix 2 outlines the approach that shall be taken to achieve better engagement with residents.

The report was presented to the Community, Housing and Assets Overview and Scrutiny Committee on the 6th March, 2024.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

Recommendation 1 focuses on the financial challenges of managing homelessness in Flintshire. Recommendations 2 and 3 can be absorbed through procedural changes within the commissioning and reviewing function of the Housing Support and Homelessness Service. Detailed below are the resource implications for the delivery of Homeless Services and responding to the Audit Wales Report.

Revenue: Statutory Homeless Services are funded through Council Fund. Additional duties placed on Councils and the current demands on services and homeless accommodation results in additional expenditure and budget pressures. Whilst some grant is available for 2024-2025 for emergency housing and other discretionary funding for crisis interventions, this is not sufficient to cover the full scale of the financial risk.

Capital: Creating more housing will require significant capital investment and has been flagged early within the Councils Capital Programme and Housing Revenue Account Business Plan. The Flintshire Housing Prospectus has been approved by Council and shared with our Housing Partners and Social Housing Grant (SHG) supports ambitious plans to increase housing supply at scale and pace.

Human Resources: Staff are under significant pressure with high levels of homelessness. Homeless officer caseloads are increasing at a time when Council Funds are under significant strain.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None.


DISPENSATIONS

None.

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DATE OF MEETING: **12 MARCH 2024** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 15**

REPORT OF: **Chief Officer (Social Services)**

SUBJECT: **POOLED BUDGET AGREEMENT FOR CARE HOME
ACCOMMODATION FOR OLDER PEOPLE**

- RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:**
- (1) That Cabinet support the progress made regionally in meeting the Part 9 requirements of the 2014 Act which includes a legal requirement to establish a regional pooled fund for care home accommodation for older people.
 - (2) That Cabinet give approval to the Council entering into a legal agreement between Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board and the six local authorities across North Wales, regulating the operation and governance arrangements in respect of the pooled fund until such time as we need to terminate the agreement.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:**

Finance Officers have been working regionally monitoring the non-risk sharing pooled budget model in place. These discussions have involved all partners' s151 Officers (or equivalent) who agree with the proposed way forward.

The North Wales Regional Leadership Board have received regular updates on the development of the pool fund arrangement.

The proposed agreement has been circulated to each partners' legal

representatives for consideration.

The North Wales Regional Partnership Board, which has strategic oversight responsibilities for partnership arrangements emanating from the 2014 Act must also promote the establishment of pooled funds where appropriate.

Report was considered at Social and Health Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 29th February 2024.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

There are no direct costs associated with signing up to the agreement. The agreement provides the regulatory and governance framework for the establishment of a single, regional pooled fund for North Wales for a period of three years. The arrangement will comprise of each partner organisation providing contributions to the pooled fund equivalent to the costs they incur. There will therefore be no risk sharing in the first year of this arrangement or any cross-subsidisation between the partners.

Denbighshire County Council will act as Host Authority for the regional pooled fund for the period of the agreement. The hosting arrangements will, in line with the terms of the legal agreement, be reviewed by the partners as part of the development of the pooled fund arrangements for future financial years.

A contribution from regionally administered transformation funding of £20k is paid to Denbighshire to recognise the cost of hosting the pool on behalf of all partners.

The establishment of a formal Section 33 agreement would have significant resource implications for the host agency.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None.


DISPENSATIONS

None.

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DATE OF MEETING: **12 MARCH 2024** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 16**

REPORT OF: **Chief Officer (Social Services)**

SUBJECT: **CONTEXTUAL SAFEGUARDING**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That Cabinet support the ongoing development and co-ordinated approach to contextual safeguarding that maximises resources to enable a streamlined and effective approach to individual and contextual safeguarding.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** Our work to review MET, missing from home and the operational of the Contextual Safeguarding Hub has commenced with clear indicators of potential efficiencies and options for streamlining meetings and processes. Initial consultation has commenced and will require further focus and work to ensure that benefits can be fully realised.

Report to be considered at Social and Health Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 29th February 2024.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: Our focus in 2024 will be review multi-agency safeguarding meetings to strengthen a co-ordinated approach to contextual safeguarding. The aim is to maximise resources to enable a streamlined and effective approach to individual and contextual safeguarding and reduce demand on Officer and partner attendance and time spent in meetings.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS

None.

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DATE OF MEETING: **12 MARCH 2024** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 17**

REPORT OF: **Chief Officer (Social Services)**

SUBJECT: **SOCIAL VALUE UPDATE REPORT**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:

- (1) That Cabinet notes the positive performance achieved in relation to generating social value for quarters three and four of the financial year 2022/23, as well as the first two quarters of 2023/24.
- (2) That Cabinet considers and supports the next steps for the social value programme, as outlined in the report.
- (3) That to better align performance reporting to a financial year Cabinet agree a change in reporting timeline with annual social value performance reporting being presented in June of each year.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** This report would be considered by the Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee on Thursday 7th March 2024. Feedback from this meeting will then be shared with Cabinet.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: None.


DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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DATE OF MEETING: **12 MARCH 2024** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 18**

REPORT OF: **Chief Officer (Social Services)**

SUBJECT: **CORPORATE PARENTING CHARTER - A PROMISE FOR WALES**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:

- (1) Flintshire County Council signs ‘the pledge’ and adopts the Corporate Parenting Charter: ‘A Promise for Wales’.
- (2) The Children’s Services Forum take a lead in measuring organisational success and commitment to the Corporate Parenting Charter.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: A National Corporate Parenting Implementation Group, comprising local authorities, as well as Voices from Care Cymru, the Children’s Commissioner’s office, the National Youth Advocacy Service, Children in Wales, National Adoption Service, and Public Health Wales was established in 2019. The Group played a key role in developing the national Charter.

In Flintshire we will work with care experienced children and young people to agree a set of principles for how we can deliver and monitor compliance with the Charter. Our care experienced children and young people will be central to this work.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: The Charter takes into account legislative duties set out in the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014. The

expectations and requirements of the Charter are consistent with our existing approach to Corporate Parenting.

Welsh Government are in the process of considering the development of guidance to support implementation of the Charter as well as including a dedicated chapter on Corporate Parenting within the Part 6 Code of Practice (Looked after and accommodated children) under the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014. Once available this further guidance will help inform an implementation and monitoring plan for the Charter. This work will be led through the Childrens Services Forum ensuring the involvement and lead role of young people.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None.

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DATE OF MEETING: 12 MARCH 2024 AGENDA ITEM NO. 19

REPORT OF: Chief Officer (Social Services)

SUBJECT: RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS ANNUAL REPORT

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That the report be noted and approved.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: As part of the RISCA regulations there is a statutory duty for the Responsible Individual to engage with the people who use our services.

Regulation 76 states:

The responsible individual must put suitable arrangements in place for obtaining the views of

- a) The individuals who are receiving care and support,
- b) Any representatives of those individuals,
- c) Service commissioners,
- d) Staff employed at the service.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: **Revenue:** there are no implications for the approved revenue budget for this service for either the current financial year or for future financial years.

Capital: there are no implications for the approved capital programme for either the current financial year, however there are future challenges in all care settings due to the increased cost of living. Higher food, utilities, fuel etc.

Human Resources: As described, recruitment and retention remains a

challenge.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None.

DISPENSATIONS

None.

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DATE OF MEETING: **12 MARCH 2024** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 20**

REPORT OF: **Chief Officer (Streetscene and Transportation)**

SUBJECT: **WORKPLACE RECYCLING REGULATIONS**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT:

- (1) That Cabinet notes the changing legislation and the potential impact on Council services.
- (2) That Cabinet supports the options to explore opportunities to develop non-domestic recycling collections and disposal services.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Streetscene and Regional Transport Strategy. WRAP & Local Partnerships. Existing business waste customers. Natural Resources Wales. Employees and Trade Unions. Environment & Economy Overview & Scrutiny Committee (this report).

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: Local Partnerships and WRAP Cymru are currently commissioned by Welsh Government to support us with several workstreams relating to our Resource and Waste Strategy. The preparedness and implementation of workplace recycling services is one of those workstreams and work will commence later this year.

Modelling work on the potential charges for full cost recovery is ongoing and will depend on the demand for collections and resources required to deliver.

Charges for the collection services and

containers will need to be included in the annual review of fees and charges.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None.

DISPENSATIONS

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DATE OF MEETING: **12 MARCH 2024** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 21**

REPORT OF: **Chief Officer (Education and Youth)**

SUBJECT: **SCHOOL ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS 2025/2026**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That the proposed admission arrangements for 2025/1016 be approved.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendation.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: All statutory consultees have been consulted in accordance with the School Admissions Code.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: There is a new admissions system in the process of being implemented, which is expected to be in full use for school admissions by September 2024. Transition to the new admissions system is being appropriately managed and resourced.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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CABINET RECORD OF DECISION

DATE OF MEETING: **12 MARCH 2024** **AGENDA ITEM NO. 23**

REPORT OF: **Corporate Manager – Capital Programme & Assets**

SUBJECT: **NEWYDD BUSINESS PLAN 2024/25**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: (1) That Cabinet note the content of the NEWydd Business Plan 2024/25, which includes financial projections, potential business opportunities, and strategic objectives and business priorities, along with identified risks and mitigation.

(2) That Cabinet endorse the NEWydd Business Plan 2024/25.

DECISION: As detailed in the recommendations.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

**CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT:** The NEWydd Business Plan is required to go through a process of review, scrutiny and sign off as part of the governance and oversight process. This commenced with the NEWydd Board of Directors who agreed in principle the Business Plan at their meeting held on 25th January 2024.

The Business Plan and accompanying report was presented to the Council's Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee at their meeting on 7th March 2024 for consideration.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: As detailed in the report.


DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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DATE OF MEETING: 12 MARCH 2024 AGENDA ITEM NO. 25
REPORT OF: Corporate Manager – Capital Programme & Assets
SUBJECT: CAMBRIAN AQUATICS

RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT: That Cabinet consider the content of the report and support the position outlined.

DECISION: That up to a maximum of £150,000 be made available to cover the predicted shortfall in 2024/25 subject to Cambrian Aquatics willingness to run the baths and a report be brought back to Cabinet no later than December 2024 before the budget for 2025/26 is set.

REASON FOR DECISION: As in the report.

CONSULTATIONS
REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT: None.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: As outlined in the report.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

DISPENSATIONS None.

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