

## EDUCATION, YOUTH & CULTURE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date of Meeting	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> January, 2021
Report Subject	Council Plan 2021-22
Cabinet Member	Cabinet Member for Corporate Management and Assets; and Leader of the Council and cabinet Member for Education
Report Author	Chief Executive
Type of Report	Strategic

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Council Plan for 2017-23 was adopted by County Council to show the key priorities of the Council for the five year term of the new administration. The Plan is subject to annual review.

The content of the Council Plan for 2021/22 will continue to take into account continued recovery in addition to our longer-term strategic objectives.

The initial framework for Part One of the next version of the Council Plan is built around six themes:

- Economy
- Education and Skills
- Green Society and Environment
- Affordable and Accessible Housing
- Personal and Community Well-being
- Poverty

Each of these six themes is accompanied by a strategic statement. The statements lend themselves to being Well-being objectives.

The six themes will be mapped out against the respective lead portfolios for reporting to the Overview and Scrutiny Committees. Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee have supported the timeline for the development of the plan.

Following Cabinet agreement the next stage of development for the Plan's outline content is for Scrutiny Committees to review and consider its contents. All comments and suggestions will then be collated and shared at Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS	
1	To review and agree the further developed themes of the Council Plan 2021-22 prior to sharing with Cabinet in March 2021.

## **REPORT DETAILS**

1.00	EXPLAINING THE COUNCIL PLAN 2021/22
1.01	The Council Plan for 2021-22 has a refreshed structure of six themes and supporting priorities which both set ambition with measured realism as follows:
	Theme: Poverty         Priorities:         - Income Poverty         - Child Poverty         - Food Poverty         - Fuel Poverty         - Digital Poverty
	Theme: Affordable and Accessible housing         Priorities:         -       Housing support and Homeless prevention         -       Housing Needs and Housing Options         -       Social Housing         -       Private Rented Sector         -       Empty Properties
	Theme: Green Society and Environment         Priorities:         - Carbon Neutrality         - Fleet Strategy         - Green Environment         - Renewable Energy         - Active and Sustainable Travel Options         - Circular Economy
	Theme: Economy         Priorities:         -       Town Centre Regeneration         -       Business         -       Transport and digital infrastructure         -       LDP Targets         -       Spending money for the benefit of Flintshire         -       Reducing Worklessness
	Theme: Personal and Community Well-being         Priorities:         - Independent Living         - Safeguarding         - Direct Provision to support people closer to home

	- Local Dementia Strategy
	<ul> <li>A well-connected, safe and clean local environment.</li> </ul>
	Theme: Education and Skills
	Priorities:
	<ul> <li>Educational Engagement and Achievement</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Digital Learning Opportunities</li> </ul>
	- Learning Environments
	- Learning Community Networks
	- Specialist Educational Provision
	<ul> <li>Welsh Education Strategic Plan (WESP)</li> </ul>
1.02	The work on the detail behind the priorities has progressed well and is
	attached at Appendix 1. Cabinet have agreed to the content. The next
	step is for all Scrutiny Committees to be consulted with over the next cycle.
1.03	Following this cycle of consultation, the Plan will be presented to Cabinet
	in its second stage prior to adoption by the County Council in April/May.

2.00	RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS
2.01	Council planning and service portfolio business planning is dove-tailed with the periodic review of the Medium Term Financial Strategy and Capital Programme.

3.00	CONSULTATIONS REQUIRED / CARRIED OUT
3.01	Consultation has been carried out with Chief Officers, Cabinet members and the wider internal senior management network on the framework of the Plan.
	Overview and Scrutiny committees will have the opportunity to be engaged in the development of the Plan.

4.00	IMPACT ASSESSMENT ANI	D RISK MANAGEMENT
4.01	Ways of Working (Sustainable Development) Principles Impact	
	Long-term	
	Prevention	Throughout the 2021/22 Council Plan
	Integration	development we will ensure the five ways of working are embedded within our ambitions
	Collaboration	and easily reported on.
	Involvement	
	Well-being Goals Impact	
	Prosperous Wales	Throughout the 2021/22 Council Plan
	Resilient Wales	development we will be ensuring we
	Healthier Wales	capture our contributions to the seven well-
	More equal Wales	being goals within our ambitions.

Cohesive Wales	
Vibrant Wales	
Globally responsible Wales	
Council's Well-being Object	tives
These are under review as p	art of this work.
Risk Management	
, , ,	uirements of the Plan include not publishing scales and not adhering to the prerequisite
Both these risks are manage procedures for publishing the	d through adherence to well established Plan.

5.00	APPENDICES
5.01	Appendix 1: Draft Council Plan (Part 1) 2021-22

6.00	LIST OF ACCESSIBLE BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS
6.01	None

7.00	CONTACT OFFICER DETAILS
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8.00	GLOSSARY OF TERMS
8.01	<b>Council Plan:</b> the document which sets out the annual priorities of the Council. It is a requirement of the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2009 to set objectives and publish a Plan.
	<b>Medium Term Financial Strategy:</b> a written strategy which gives a forecast of the financial resources which will be available to a Council for a given period, and sets out plans for how best to deploy those resources to meet its priorities, duties and obligations.