

# Management response form



**Report title:** Setting of Well-being Objectives – Flintshire County Council

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R1	When it next develops its well-being objectives, the Council should ensure they are informed by the views of the diversity of its population to ensure the plan is informed by the full views of the local community.	<p>A mid-plan review of the current Council Plan (2023-28) will be undertaken later in the year. As part of the mid-plan review a public consultation will be completed, to ensure the views of the diversity of Flintshire's population is considered and the plan is informed by the views of the local communities of Flintshire.</p> <p>In addition, the Well-being Objectives already form part of business planning for Portfolios. However, the mid-plan review will be used as an opportunity to review and strengthen this.</p>	August 2024 – June 2025	Performance and Risk Team

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R2	When developing future well-being statements, the Council should set out how it proposes to ensure resources are allocated annually for the purposes of taking steps to meet its objectives to ensure these are achievable.	As part of the mid-plan review of the Council Plan (2023-28) the current well-being statement will be reviewed and if required, amended, and updated to state how it proposes to ensure resources are allocated in achieving the Well-being Objectives.	August 2024 – June 2025	Performance and Risk Team
R3	The Council should ensure that in future budget setting processes or when refreshing its medium-term financial plan there is clear alignment with the Council well-being objectives, and that there is clarity about how savings targets or known future financial uncertainty might affect the delivery of its well-being objectives.	Within the mid-plan review of the Council Plan (2023-28) alignment to the medium-term financial plan will be clearly identified in the review. The Council's current Well-being Objectives will be revised and amended, where necessary, to ensure that they are reflective of current (and future) financial uncertainties. Future meetings with Corporate Finance Team will form not only part of the mid-plan review but also annual reviews of the Council Plan, to ensure any financial uncertainties are highlighted, which could affect the delivery of a Well-being Objective(s).	August 2024 – June 2025	Performance and Risk Team / Corporate Finance Team

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R4	To ensure that the Council can evaluate processes and identify lessons for learning, it should consider its arrangements for document retention and management covering how it gathers and stores information relating to the setting of well-being objectives and lessons learned.	<p>A lesson learnt document has been created to identify any opportunities for future learning (and improvement). In addition, a full review and mapping exercise of previous information and documentation relating to the setting of current Well-being Objectives (and priorities) has been completed as part of this audit. Improved arrangements for document retention and storage of documentation have also been undertaken.</p> <p>Flintshire County Council also meet bi-monthly with North Wales local authorities and attend all Wales network groups quarterly to discuss key topic areas and identify / share lessons learned, opportunities for improvement and best practice.</p>	Completed	Performance and Risk Team