



RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE

DECISION MADE BY: Cabinet DATE DECISION MADE: 29 April, 2024

Cabinet Members Present:

Councillor A Morgan (Chair), Councillor M Webber (Deputy Chair),
Councillor G Caple, Councillor A Crimmings, Councillor R Lewis,
Councillor C Leyshon, Councillor M Norris and Councillor B Harris

Agenda Item : 4

SUBJECT: Business in the Community and Rhondda Cynon Taf Place Partnership

1. DECISION MADE:

Agreed –

1. To approve the participation of the Council in the creation of the Business in the Community and Rhondda Cynon Taf Place Partnership; and
2. To approve the allocation of resources identified in section 8 of the report.

2. REASON FOR THE DECISION BEING MADE:

The need to seek Cabinet approval to establish the Business in the Community and Rhondda Cynon Taf Place Partnership.

3. LINKS TO CORPORATE PRIORITIES/FUTURE GENERATIONS - SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT:

The Council's Corporate Plan 'Working with Our Communities' sets out its vision where 'All people, communities, and businesses can grow and live in a healthy, green, safe, vibrant and inclusive County Borough where they can achieve their full potential in all aspects of their lives and work, both now and in the future' and sets out its four well-being objectives:

- **People and Communities** – Supporting and empowering Rhondda Cynon Taf residents and communities to live safe, healthy, and fulfilling lives.
- **Work and Business** – helping to strengthen and grow Rhondda Cynon Taf's economy.
- **Nature and Environment** – a green and clean Rhondda Cynon Taf that improves and protects the environment and nature.
- **Culture, Heritage, and Welsh Language** – recognising and celebrating Rhondda Cynon Taf's past, present, and future.

The BITC place proposal supports the Council's four well-being objectives and has the potential to contribute to many of the priorities identified in the Corporate Plan.

The Well being of Future Generations (Wales) Act established a duty that public bodies act in accordance with the sustainable development principle and sets seven well-being goals to be achieved through five ways of working. The BITC place proposal has the potential to make a positive contribution towards the well-being goals; in particular that of a prosperous Wales, a more equal Wales, and a Wales of more cohesive communities. The approach aligns closely with the five ways of working:

- Long term – the partnership will develop a long-term vision around which all stakeholders can unite.
- Integration – the partnership will set up a business led cross sector board.

- Involvement – the partnership will develop community conversations to engage and understand the place.
- Collaboration - the partnership will set up a business led cross sector board.
- Prevention – The partnership will deliver action on the ground and develop a prospectus setting out longer term plans and ambitions.

The Council has recently been successful in its bid for funding to establish a Health Determinants Research Collaboration (HDRC) in Rhondda Cynon Taf. If the Council supports the creation of the BITC Place Partnership, the work of both collaborations will be aligned to ensure they are complimentary.

4. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO DECISION BEING MADE:

Cross sector collaboration and community engagement are an integral part of the BITC place approach. As this report seeks approval to commit this Council to the BITC place programme there are no consultation requirements at this initial stage.

5. PREVIOUS CONSIDERATION BY A COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL:

None

6. PERSONAL INTERESTS DECLARED:

None

7. DISPENSATION TO SPEAK (AS GRANTED BY STANDARDS COMMITTEE):

N/A

8. (a) IS THE DECISION SUBJECT TO CALL-IN BY THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:

Yes

Note: This decision will not come into force and may not be implemented until the expiry of 3 clear working days after its publication to enable it to be the subject to the Call-In Procedure in Rule 17.1 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules.

The closing date for Call-In is 5pm on the 2 May 2024

8.(b) IF NO, REASONS WHY IN THE OPINION OF THE DECISION-MAKER THE DECISION IS EXEMPT OR NON APPLICABLE:

I. COUNCIL / SCRUTINY FUNCTION (CALL IN IS THEREFORE NON APPLICABLE):-

Reason: N/A

II. URGENT DECISION:-

Reason N/A

8.(c) IF DEEMED URGENT - SIGNATURE OF PRESIDING OFFICER OR DEPUTY PRESIDING OFFICER OR HEAD OF PAID SERVICE CONFIRMING AGREEMENT THAT THE PROPOSED DECISION IS REASONABLE IN ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES FOR IT BEING TREATED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULE 17.2:

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(PRESIDING OFFICER)

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(Dated)

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