



RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE

DECISION MADE BY: Cabinet DATE DECISION MADE: 18 December, 2018

Cabinet Members Present:

Councillor A Morgan (Chair), Councillor M Webber (Vice-Chair),
Councillor R Bevan, Councillor A Crimmings, Councillor G Hopkins,
Councillor M Norris, Councillor J Rosser, Councillor R Lewis and
Councillor C Leyshon

Other Councillor(s) in Attendance:-

Councillor P Jarman, Councillor M Weaver & Councillor E Webster

Agenda Item : 4

SUBJECT: HOMELESSNESS STRATEGY 2018-2022

1. DECISION MADE:

Agreed –

1. To note the feedback in respect of the Draft Homelessness Strategy 2018-2022 from the Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee held on the 6th November 2018 and the actions taken in response, as detailed in paragraph 6.4 of the report.
2. To approve the Rhondda Cynon Taf Homelessness Strategy 2018-2022 (attached as Appendix 1 of the report).

2. REASON FOR THE DECISION BEING MADE:

The Council has a statutory duty under the Housing (Wales) Act 2014 to undertake a homelessness review for its area. Based on the findings of that review, there is a further duty to formulate and adopt a Homelessness Strategy that will prevent homelessness and ensure suitable accommodation and satisfactory support is available for people who are or who may become homeless

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

Homelessness is a key national priority as demonstrated by the Welsh Government Ten Year Homelessness Plan (2009-2019). This strategy, therefore, supports that national agenda as well as local priorities as set out in the Corporate Plan.

The strategy will also support the Council to contribute to four of the seven well-being goals, namely:

1. A more equal Wales
2. A prosperous Wales
3. A Wales of cohesive communities
4. A healthier Wales

4. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO DECISION BEING MADE:

The Council consulted with service users at the Housing Advice Centre and clients in temporary accommodation to get views on their experiences of what works well in homeless services in RCT and what barriers they faced when seeking support. In total, 24 clients shared their opinions over a four week period.

In addition a 6 week consultation was undertaken from the 1st October to the 9th November, with relevant stakeholders including voluntary organisations.

5. PREVIOUS CONSIDERATION BY A COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL:

Health & Well Being Scrutiny Committee – [6th November, 2018](#)

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 i.e. **24 December 2018** to enable it to be the subject to the Call-In Procedure in Rule 17.1 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules.

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 MAYOR OR DEPUTY MAYOR 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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(Mayor)

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(Dated)

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APPROVED FOR PUBLICATION: ✓