

RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE

DECISION MADE BY: Cabinet DATE DECISION MADE: 17 July, 2023

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

> Other Councillor(s) in Attendance:-Councillor R Bevan Councillor R Yeo

> > Agenda Item: 7

SUBJECT: Report to commence formal statutory consultation of the authority's review of the Local Flood Risk Management Strategy and Action Plan

1. DECISION MADE:

Agreed -

1. To commence formal statutory consultation on the Draft LFRMS and Action Plan and accompanying Environmental assessments (Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA)), as per the programme of work which was agreed by Cabinet on 15th May 2023.

2. REASON FOR THE DECISION BEING MADE:

The need to provide members with an update on progress of the Authority's review of the revised Local Flood Risk Management Strategy (LFRMS) and Action Plan (formerly known as a Flood Risk Management Plan), as required under Section 10 of the Flood and Water Management Act (FWMA) 2010.

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

The development of the draft LFRMS and Action Plan has identified how the detailed flood risk objectives, measures and actions align with local policies such as the Council's Corporate Plan "Making a Difference" 2020-2024, the Council's former LFRMS and FRMP produced in 2013 and 2015, respectively and reflect the sustainable development principles of the Well-being for Future Generations Act and will contribute to all seven national goals.

The development of the draft LFRMS and Action Plan has also identified opportunities to align with emerging local policies such as the Council's Local Development Plan, Local Biodiversity Plan and the Council's Tackling Climate Change Strategy.

4. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO DECISION BEING MADE:

An initial non-statutory public engagement exercise via a questionnaire was conducted in-house and ran for a period of six weeks from 13th December 2022 to 24th January 2023.

The results and review of the initial public engagement exercise on the revised LFRMS and Action Plan was presented to CCFSP Scrutiny Committee on 22nd March 2023**Error! Bookmark not defined.** Members were supportive of the public engagement and the review of the LFRMS and Action Plan, and agreed their comments to be fed into the drafting of the revised Strategy.

It is a requirement of the FWMA 2010 for the LLFA to consult on the LFRMS and accompanying environmental documents (SEA and HRA) with the public and risk management authorities that may be affected by the strategy.

The statutory public consultation on the draft LFRMS and Action Plan, and accompanying environmental documents, is proposed to run for a period of 6 weeks

Following consideration of the consultation responses, the revised draft LFRMS and Action Plan and accompanying environmental documents will be finalised and presented to Cabinet for approval before submitting the final documents to the Welsh Government for Ministerial approval. PREVIOUS CONSIDERATION BY A COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL: None PERSONAL INTERESTS DECLARED: None 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 20 July 2023 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 PROPOSED DECISION REASONABLE IN THE IS CIRCUMSTANCES FOR IT BEING TREATED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULE 17.2:

(PRESIDING OFFICER)

(Dated)

upon approval from Members to commence public consultation.

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