

RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET

25TH JUNE 2020

CABINET WORK PROGRAMME: 2019- 2020 EXTENDED MUNICIPAL YEAR.

REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, DEMOCRATIC SERVICES & COMMUNICATION IN DISCUSSION WITH THE LEADER AND DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL.

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1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To present, for Cabinet Members' comment and approval, an update on the Cabinet Work Programme which sets out business during the extended municipal year, requiring consideration by Cabinet for the period June – August. The Work Programme will guide and direct the activities of other arms of the Council, as well as the Cabinet itself.

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 It is recommended that the Cabinet approve the extended Work Programme for the period June - August 2019-2020 (with appropriate amendment where necessary) and receive a further update on a 3 monthly basis.

3. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 In accordance with paragraph 12.1 (Part 4) of the Council's Constitution, the Cabinet Work Programme should be prepared to cover a period of three months, with an updated version provided at the end of this period.
- 3.2 Following the amendments to the Leader's Scheme of Delegation at the Council AGM on the 25th May, 2016 it was agreed that going forward a detailed Cabinet Work Programme be published for a 6 month period, allowing sufficient notice and opportunity for consultation and / or pre scrutiny.
- 3.3 As a result of the Covid-19 National pandemic, the 2019 2020 Cabinet Work Programme has been extended for a period of three months and seeks to include information relating to potential matters likely to be considered by the Cabinet during this period.

- 3.4 The updated Work Programme is attached to this report for Members' consideration.
- 3.5 For ease of reference the work programme will also be available on the main Cabinet webpage for Members and members of the public information.

4. CABINET REPORTS

- 4.1 The proposed work programme is a rolling work programme for the extended 2019 2020 Municipal Year, which is reported to Cabinet on a 3 month cycle to allow for regular updates and amendments.
- 4.2 During the period outlined, the Work Programme may be subject to further change to take into account any additional/deletion reports, including any new consultative documents or legislative initiatives from the Welsh Government, which require urgent attention.
- 4.3 In accordance with paragraph 2.5 (Part 4) of the Council's Constitution, any Member of the Council may also request the Leader to put an item on the agenda of a Cabinet meeting. There is also the ability for a resolution to be made by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or the full Council that an item be considered by the Cabinet, which could alter the forward Work Programme.
- 4.4 The 2019 2020 Cabinet Work Programme is published on the main Cabinet page of the Website to again assist Members of the public, by improving transparency. The Work Programme link can be accessed on the following 'Cabinet Work Programme'.

5. CONSULTATION / INVOLVEMENT

- 5.1 The work programme has been compiled by members of the Senior Leadership Team in discussion with the relevant portfolio holder(s) and has been consulted upon with the relevant scrutiny committees in respect of pre-scrutiny.
- 5.2 As democratic functions of the Council resume virtually, the extended 2019/20 Work Programme will need to be considered when as part of the work programme planning of other committees.

6. EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

6.1 An Equality Impact Assessment is not needed because the contents of the report are for information purposes only.

7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 There are no financial implications aligned to this report.

8. <u>LEGAL IMPLICATIONS OR LEGISLATION CONSIDERED</u>

8.1 The report has been prepared in accordance with paragraph 12.1 (Part 4) of the Council's Constitution.

9. <u>LINKS TO THE COUNCILS CORPORATE PLAN / OTHER CORPORATE PRIORITIES.</u>

9.1 The Cabinet work programme encompasses all of the Council priorities as it indicates reports coming forward across the Directorates which may impact upon the Council's corporate priorities and others. It also embraces the Future Generations Acts as all future decisions taken by the Cabinet seek to improve the social, economic, environmental and cultural wellbeing of the County Borough.

10. CONCLUSION

10.1 The Cabinet work programme for the extended 2019-2020 Municipal Year is attached.

Other Information:-

Relevant Scrutiny Committee - Overview & Scrutiny Committee

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

AS AMENDED BY

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

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Background Papers

• Paragraph 12.1 (Part 4) of the Council's Constitution.