



## **RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

### **COUNCIL**

**6<sup>th</sup> JULY 2022**

### **SECTION 3A – LEADER’S SCHEME OF DELEGATION OF EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS**

#### **JOINT REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, DEMOCRATIC SERVICES & COMMUNICATIONS AND DIRECTOR OF LEGAL SERVICES.**

#### **1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

- 1.1 To present the Leader’s Scheme of Delegation of Executive Functions for the 2022/2023 Municipal Year and to advise Council, for information purposes, of the revised terms of reference for the Welsh Language and Climate Change Cabinet Sub-Committees.

#### **2. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 It is recommended that Council notes the Section 3A- Leader’s Scheme of Delegation of Executive Functions, which is attached at Appendix 1.

#### **3. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 3.1 At the Council AGM on the 25<sup>h</sup> May 2022, the Leader announced his new Scheme of Executive Delegation, including the appointment of Deputy Leader and the wider Cabinet. Details of the Cabinet Members Appointed by the Leader and their respective Portfolio titles and Responsibilities are set out at Appendix 1.
- 3.2 To inform Members of the terms of reference for the former Climate Change Steering Group and Welsh Language Steering Group which have been changed to reflect their Cabinet Sub-Committee status.
- 3.3 For ease of reference the attached Scheme of Delegation will also be available on the main Cabinet [webpage](#) for Members and members of the public information.

#### **4. TERMS OF REFERENCE**

- 4.1 The terms of reference are written guidelines that clarify the role, purpose, responsibilities and voting rights assigned to each Cabinet

Sub-Committee, both the revised terms of reference for the Climate Change and Welsh Language Cabinet Sub-Committees are reflected in the attached Leader's Scheme of Delegation.

- 4.2 Members will note that membership of the Welsh Language Cabinet Sub-Committee includes Cabinet Member representation (as shown in the attached) These Members will have sole voting rights to determine a matter. Engagement with external representatives from Menter Iaith will strengthen the focus on the relevant issues associated with delivery of the Welsh Medium services.
- 4.3 Similarly, the terms of reference for the Climate Change Cabinet Sub-Committee sets out its purpose, membership and details of its external representation from local groups who will be invited as and when to better inform the Cabinet Members' decisions but not vote at any meeting of the Cabinet Sub-Committee.
- 4.4 County Borough Councillor Julie Barton has been appointed as Climate Change Champion and will be invited to attend on matters relating to Climate Change.
- 4.5 As a non-voting member, the **Climate Change Champion** will play a vital role in the Council's delivery of Climate Change and Sustainability engagement across the County Borough and will serve to promote any key policies and legislation.
- 4.6 These revised decision-making arrangements, do not prevent any circumstances where the sub committees, may determine to refer a matter, which of strategic significance, for determination by full Cabinet Committee.

## **5. CONSULTATION / INVOLVEMENT**

- 5.1 The Leader under his Scheme of Delegation, appoints the Executive Members to serve in the Cabinet. The details for each Executive Member's portfolio are contained within the attached Leaders Scheme of Delegation.

## **6. EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS / SOCIO-ECONOMIC DUTY**

- 6.1 An Equality Impact Assessment including the socio-economic duty is not needed because the contents of the report are for information purposes only.

## **7. WELSH LANGUAGE IMPLICATIONS**

- 7.1 Any implications to the Welsh language will be presented within each of the reports outlined within the work programme relating to the Welsh Language Cabinet Sub Committee.

**8. FINANCIAL IMPLICATION(S)**

- 8.1 There are no financial implications aligned to this report.

**9. LINKS TO THE CORPORATE AND NATIONAL PRIORITIES AND THE WELL-BEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS ACT.**

- 9.1 The work programmes to arise from the afore-mentioned Cabinet Sub-Committees will encompass the Council priorities as it indicates in reports coming forward. These matters will consider the Future Generations Acts as well as improving the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of the County Borough.

**10. CONCLUSION**

- 10.1 An updated Leader's Scheme of Delegation for the 2022 - 23 Municipal Year is attached.
- 10.2 This report provides the opportunity to advise Council of changes to the arrangements contained within section 4 of the Leader's Scheme of Delegation, as required as part of the Council's constitution.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**

**AS AMENDED BY**

**THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985**

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**Background Papers**