



RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET

17th October 2022

PRE-SCRUTINY – COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY ANNUAL MONITORING REPORT

REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES AND COMMUNICATION

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to provide the feedback and comments of the Climate Change, Frontline Services & Prosperity Scrutiny Committee following its pre-scrutiny of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Annual Monitoring Report at its meeting on the 29th September 2022.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Members:

- 2.1 Note the comments and observations of the Climate Change, Frontline Services & Prosperity Scrutiny Committee, as detailed in paragraph 5 of the report
- 2.2 Subject to any further comment by Cabinet Members, endorse the recommendations outlined within the Community Infrastructure Levy Annual Monitoring Report as attached to this report at AppendixA.

3. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 The need for Members to be aware of the comments and observations of the Climate Change, Frontline Services & Prosperity Scrutiny Committee prior to their consideration of the Council's Community Infrastructure Levy Annual Monitoring Report.

4. BACKGROUND

- 4.1 The Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (as amended) require the Council to produce an **annual report detailing CIL income and expenditure**.
- 4.2 The Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (as amended) also require the Council to publish an Infrastructure List (known as the Regulation 123 List). The List should set out the infrastructure, which the Council considers it is likely to apply CIL revenue to.

- 4.3 At the meeting of the Cabinet held on 23 July 2015, Members agreed the process for formulating, monitoring and revising the Regulation 123 list, which includes that the relevant Scrutiny Committee/Group review the operation of the list and consider the annual 123 list and annual CIL financial monitoring report and make recommendations to Cabinet where appropriate.

5. PRE-SCRUTINY OF THE COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY ANNUAL MONITORING REPORT

- 5.1 The Climate Change, Frontline Services & Prosperity Scrutiny Committee met on the 29th September 2022 to consider the Council's Community Infrastructure Levy Annual Monitoring Report.
- 5.2 At the meeting of the Climate Change, Frontline Services & Prosperity Scrutiny Committee, Members welcomed the Community Infrastructure Annual Monitoring Report and praised the Council's work in this area.
- 5.3 When considering the report in advance of Cabinet, members of the scrutiny committee noted that:
- The CIL should be regularly reviewed in line with the Local Development Plan;
 - The CIL should be applied fairly between the North and South of the County Borough; and,
 - Members raised the issue of the fair distribution of CIL funds across the Borough due to the location of Town Councils in the south of the Borough.
 - Members welcomed the engagement of the Community Council Liaison Committee in this process.
- 5.4 In conclusion, Members commended the report and commented that the Council's charging schedule was adopted at Full Council in 2014 and in light of economic changes since then, Members felt it would be appropriate to review the CIL in conjunction with the Local Development Plan review.

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. CONSULTATION/INVOLVEMENT

- 7.1 The report contained within Appendix A has been presented to Scrutiny for pre scrutiny prior to consideration by Cabinet.

8. FINANCIAL IMPLICATION(S)

- 8.1 Any financial implications are outlined within Appendix A of the report.

9. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS OR LEGISLATION CONSIDERED

9.1 The report and appendices have been prepared in accordance with the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (as amended).

10. LINKS TO THE COUNCIL'S CORPORATE PLAN / OTHER CORPORATE PRIORITIES

10.1 Infrastructure funded through CIL will support the Building a Strong Economy and Creating Neighbourhoods Where People are Proud to Live and Work priorities in the Corporate Plan.

11. CONCLUSION

11.1 It is recognised that scrutiny is a vital component of good governance and improves Councils' decision making, service provision and cost effectiveness.

11.2 The undertaking of pre-scrutiny by the Climate Change, Frontline Services & Prosperity Scrutiny Committee in this area will strength accountability and assist Cabinet Members in taking any future decisions on these matters.

Other Information:-

Relevant Scrutiny Committee

Climate Change, Frontline Services & Prosperity Scrutiny Committee

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

AS AMENDED BY

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

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Background Papers

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