



RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

MUNICIPAL YEAR 2024-25

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

18 SEPTEMBER 2024

PRE-SCRUTINY RESIDENTIAL CARE HOMES FOR OLDER PEOPLE

**REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES &
COMMUNICATIONS**

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 To pre-scrutinise the Council's Care Accommodation provision for older people as attached in the Cabinet report at Appendix A which set out recommendations to reflect changes in need and develop more cost-effective care solutions which are sustainable for the future.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that: -

- 2.1 Members undertake pre scrutiny on the report (attached at Appendix A), thus providing Scrutiny with an opportunity to contribute to this matter; and
- 2.2 Authorise the Service Director Democratic Services and Communications to provide feedback to Cabinet on behalf of Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

3. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 The need for Cabinet to be aware of the comments and observations of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee prior to their consideration of the report

4. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 4.1 The report to Cabinet provides an update on the Council's care accommodation provision for older people agreed by Cabinet in February 2023 and to set out further recommendations to reflect changes in need and develop more cost-

effective care solutions which are sustainable for the future. The report also seeks approval to consult, where relevant, with the current residents and their families, staff, and other stakeholders to enable the Cabinet to make informed decisions on the preferred options for the Council's care accommodation provision for older people.

5. PRE SCRUTINY

- 5.1 Members are reminded that the purpose of pre scrutiny activity is to influence the decisions before they are made. The Council's Overview & Scrutiny function continues to have the opportunity to explore and comment on a number of reports in advance of Cabinet's consideration to bring a different perspective to the decisions made and enabling Cabinet decisions to be more informed.

6. EQUALITY, DIVERSITY AND SOCIO ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 The appropriate impact assessments to accompany the recommendations are attached at Appendix B and C and will be presented to the Cabinet for consideration when determining this matter.

7. CONSULTATION

- 7.1 There are no consultation requirements emanating from the recommendations set out in this report. Members are directed to the recommendation set out in 2.5 of the Cabinet report which seeks approval to initiate a consultation with the individuals and their families, staff and other relevant stakeholders on the preferred option to permanently decommission Cae Glas Care Home for older people when suitable alternative placements are found for existing residents in a home of their choice which meets their assessed needs.

8. FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 Financial and resource implications will be considered as part of any feedback and subsequent implementation arrangements.

9. WELSH LANGUAGE IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 There are no Welsh language implications as a result of the recommendations set out in the report. The appropriate Welsh Language impact assessments to accompany this decision are attached at appendix B and C and will be presented to the Cabinet for consideration when determining this matter

10. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATION CONSIDERED

10.1 The report has been prepared in accordance with paragraph Part 4 of the Constitution (Overview & Scrutiny Procedure Rules).

11. CONCLUSION

11.1 Any comments and feedback to the Cabinet will ensure that the Overview & Scrutiny Committee fully evaluates the effectiveness of its overview and scrutiny function.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

as amended by

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS:

RESIDENTIAL CARE HOME FOR OLDER PEOPLE – 28TH FEBRUARY 2023

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