

Scrutiny Report



Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee

Part 1

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Subject Recommendations Monitoring - Economic Regeneration

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The following people have been invited to attend for this item:

Invitee:	Area / Role / Subject
Beverly Owen	Strategic Director - Place
Keir Duffin	Head of Regeneration, Investment and Housing
Tracey Brooks	Development and Regeneration Manager

Section A – Committee Guidance and Recommendations

1 Recommendations to the Committee

The Committee is asked

1. Consider the update on the progress made with regard to the Economic Regeneration Strategy (**Appendix 1**) and consider how effectively the strategy has been implemented;
2. Determine if it wishes to make comments to the Cabinet Member in relation to the progress made with the implementation of the Economic Regeneration Strategy.
3. Determine whether it wishes to continue monitoring this matter, or whether it is satisfied that the strategy has been implemented effectively with the desired outcomes.

2 Context

Background

- 2.1 A review was undertaken by a Scrutiny Policy Review Group in April 2015 to consider a future Economic Development Strategy for Newport. The process was supported by officers from Regeneration Investment and Housing, and Overview and Scrutiny.

The final Strategy, renamed Newport's Economic Growth Strategy provided a ten-year vision for the Council, taking into account the needs of Newport in relation to both local and regional vision.

Previous Consideration of this item

- 2.2 Following endorsement by Scrutiny Committee, the Strategy underwent a 6 week consultation period, was reported to the Cabinet in October 2015 and was subsequently adopted by Council at its meeting in November 2015.

A six month progress report was submitted to Scrutiny in July 2016 as an information report. The following details progress up to December 2016. Where data is provided, this is cumulative from January through to December 2016.

Attached at Appendix 1 is an update of the Council's Economic Growth Strategy following its development through Scrutiny Committee in 2015, and its subsequent adoption by Council in November 2015. This report covers the period July-December 2016, and considers next steps for the forthcoming review period of January-June 2017.

3 Information Submitted to the Committee

- 3.1 The following information is provided to the Committee:

Appendix 1 - Update on The Council's Economic Growth Strategy.

4. Suggested Areas of Focus

Suggested Lines of Enquiry

- 4.1 Once a scrutiny review is completed, it is important for the Committee to ensure that the recommendations are followed up and the outcomes reported back. This report is being presented as part of this monitoring process.
- 4.2 The attachment is split into progress on the three priorities in the strategy:
1. *Deliver Shared prosperity - growth should benefit all Newport's citizens.*
 2. *Provide an excellent economic environment - modern cities' economic success relies on aligning physical (including infrastructure), cultural and social improvements to support innovation and growth.*
 3. *Move Newport up the 'value chain' - successful cities need to become more specialised, innovative, connected and productive.*
- 4.3 The Committee may wish to consider the following:
- In relation to the three priorities:
 - How effective has progress been towards these priorities?
 - Are the next steps outlined for the priorities sufficient to drive forward progress in the next 12 months?
 - Is there any additional information required to evaluate the effectiveness of the implementation of this strategy?
 - How does the Committee want to monitor progress of the implementation of this strategy going forward?
 - Do the Committee wish to make any comments to the Cabinet Member or lead officers?

Section B – Supporting Information

5 Supporting Information

Outcomes Monitoring Process

- 5.1 Once a scrutiny review is completed, it is important for the Committee to ensure that the recommendations are followed up and the outcomes reported back. This report is being presented as part of this monitoring process.
- 5.2 The following process is in place for recommendations / outcomes monitoring activity:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommendations made by Committee and presented to Cabinet / Cabinet Member. • Recommendations monitoring report prepared and presented to next Chair’s briefing after the Cabinet / CM decision. • Chair considers the draft report and determines the next steps from the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Satisfied with Response: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Propose no further action / no action at present but request a report back (within a specified timescale). ○ Electronic copy of the report forwarded to the Committee for information. ○ If any Committee Member objects to the proposed action, they have 5 working days to raise this with the Chair. ○ Unsatisfied with Response: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Propose the report is presented to Committee meeting / request attendance by CM to discuss. ○ RM report finalised and presented to the Committee in the normal way. ○ Committee determines any further monitoring, including the timescale. • In either case, if a further report is requested the process starts again e.g. draft report to Chair’s briefing to consider progress and determine next steps.
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6 Links to Council Policies and Priorities

- How does the Officers report work towards achieving the Councils Wellbeing Goals and Corporate Plan Commitments:

Well-being Objectives	Promote economic growth and regeneration whilst protecting the environment	Improve skills, educational outcomes & employment opportunities	Enable people to be healthy, independent & resilient	Build cohesive & sustainable communities
Corporate Plan Commitments	Thriving City	Aspirational People		Resilient Communities
Supporting Function	Modernised Council			

7 Wellbeing of Future Generation (Wales) Act

7.1 General questions

- How is this area / policy affected by the new legislation?
- How will this decision / policy / proposal impact upon future generations? What is the long term impact?
- What evidence is provided to demonstrate WFGA has been / is being considered?
- Evidence from Community Profiles / other data?
- (When published:) Evidence of links to Wellbeing Assessment / Objectives / Plan?

7.2 Wellbeing Goals

- How are the Wellbeing goals reflected in the policy / proposal / action?
 - *A prosperous Wales*
 - *A resilient Wales*
 - *A healthier Wales*
 - *A more equal Wales*
 - *A Wales of cohesive communities*
 - *A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language*
 - *A globally responsible Wales*

7.3 Sustainable Development Principles

- Does the report / proposal demonstrate how as an authority we are working in accordance with the sustainable development principles from the act when planning services?
 - **Long Term**
The importance of balancing short-term needs with the need to safeguard the ability to also meet long-term needs
 - **Prevention**
How acting to prevent problems occurring or getting worse may help public bodies meet their objectives
 - **Integration**
Considering how the public body's well-being objectives may impact upon each of the well-being goals, on their other objectives, or on the objectives of other public bodies
 - **Collaboration**
Acting in collaboration with any other person (or different parts of the body itself) that could help the body to meet its well-being objectives
 - **Involvement**
The importance of involving people with an interest in achieving the well-being goals, and ensuring that those people reflect the diversity of the area which the body serves.

8. Background Papers

[Report of the Street Scene, Regeneration and Safety Scrutiny Committee – 30 July 2015](#)
[Minutes of Street Scene, Regeneration and Safety Scrutiny Committee – 30 July 2015](#)
[Minutes of Cabinet 19 October 2015](#)
[Minutes of Council 24 November 2015](#)

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