

Scrutiny Report



Performance Scrutiny Committee – Place and Corporate

Part 1

Date: 2 September 2019

Subject **Waste Strategy Action Plan Monitoring**

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

Invitee:	Area / Role / Subject
Bev Owen	Strategic Director - Place
Paul Jones	Head of Streetscene and City Services
Silvia Gonzalez-Lopez	Waste Service Manager, City Services

Section A – Committee Guidance and Recommendations

1 Recommendations to the Committee

The Committee is requested to:

1. Note the content of the Draft Waste Strategy and consider the Action Plan update upon progress to be presented to the Committee;
2. Acknowledge that all Actions included in the Draft Strategy are part of the City Services Service Plan, which is monitored by the Committee on a six-monthly basis.
3. Determine if it wishes to make any comments to the Cabinet Member.

2 Context

Background

2.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee held on 7 March 2019 considered a report upon the Wales Audit Office Waste Service Follow Up Review and made the following comments:

- The Committee noted the progress being made in relation to the Waste Strategy and in addressing the issues raised within the Audit Report.
- The Committee felt that there was a need for the Authority to establish a clear Waste Strategy document, and associated action plan for actions to be implemented to achieve the strategic aims. The Committee asked the Officers to confirm if a Waste Strategy document would be created, and when it was anticipated that it would be finalised.
- The Committee requested that the Waste Strategy be circulated to Scrutiny Members once finalised.
- The Committee agreed to forward these comments to the Cabinet Member – Street scene and the relevant officers for consideration.
- **The Committee noted that the role of monitoring the performance of implementing the strategy, and the recommendations within the WAO report was not within its remit under the Committee’s Terms of Reference. Ongoing monitoring of this would be referred to the Performance Scrutiny Committee – Place and Corporate for inclusion in its work Programme for next year as appropriate to avoid duplication of work.**

(Links to the Report and Minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee held on 7 March 2019 are provided in the Background Papers in Section 6 of this report.)

2.2 Subsequently at its meeting held on 8 April 2019, this Committee approved its Annual Forward Work Programme for 2019-20, which included the following Item:

Topic	Role	Why is the Committee looking at this report?
Waste Strategy Action Plan Monitoring	Monitoring Council’s performance against agreed action plan.	Item referred from the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee. To monitor progress of the Waste Strategy Action Plan to address findings of the Wales Audit Office Report. 2 September 2019

(Links to the Report and Minutes of the Performance Scrutiny Committee – Place and Corporate held on 8 April 2019 are provided in the Background Papers in Section 6 of this report.)

2.3 The Draft Waste Strategy is attached to this report as **Appendix 1** which includes the Action Plan for monitoring by the Committee.

2.4 The Committee is requested to note the Draft Waste Strategy and consider the Action Plan update upon progress to be presented to the Committee. All actions included in the Strategy are part of the City Services Service Plan which is monitored by the Committee six-monthly.

3 Information Submitted to the Committee

3.1 **Appendix 1** – Draft Waste Strategy which includes the Action Plan to be considered by Committee.

4 Areas of Focus

4.1 Role of the Committee

<p>The role of the Committee in considering the report is to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider the Draft Strategy Action Plan presented; Assess and make comment on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whether progress has been made in the Action Plan to date? Whether actions are in place to continue progress over the next twelve months? <p>2.4 Acknowledge that all Actions included in the Draft Strategy are part of the City Services Service Plan which is monitored by the Committee on a six-monthly basis.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conclusions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What was the overall conclusion on the information contained in the report? Is the Committee satisfied that it has had all of the relevant information to base a conclusion on the performance of the Service Area? Does the Committee wish to make any comments to the Cabinet Member? 	
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Well-being of Future Generation (Wales) Act

4.2 The Committee's consideration of the Waste Strategy Action Plan Monitoring should consider how the service is maximising their contribution to the five ways of working. Below are examples of the types of questions to consider:

5 Ways of Working	Types of Questions to consider:
<p>Long-term</p> <p>The importance of balancing short-term needs with the need to safeguard the ability to also meet long-term needs.</p>	How does the draft Waste Strategy Action Plan take account of the long-term impact upon future generations?
	What evidence is there that demonstrates the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act has been considered in developing the Waste Strategy Action Plan?
<p>Prevention</p> <p>Prevent problems occurring or getting worse.</p>	How are you ensuring that the needs of the service users monitored and are taken into account when developing the long-term strategy action plan?
<p>Integration</p> <p>Considering how public bodies' wellbeing objectives may impact upon each of the well-being goals, on their other objectives, or on the objectives of other public bodies.</p>	How does the Council's implementation of the draft Waste Strategy Action Plan impact upon the services of other public bodies and their objectives?
<p>Collaboration</p> <p>Acting in collaboration with any other person (or different parts of the organisation itself).</p>	How was the knowledge / information / good practice of others been used to inform / influence the draft Waste Strategy Action Plan?

<p style="text-align: center;">Involvement</p> <p>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.</p>	How were the people who would be impacted by this draft strategy Action Plan involved?
	While developing a long-term strategy and action plan, how were diverse communities involved?

Section B – Supporting Information

5 Links to Council Policies and Priorities

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			

6. Background Papers

- [The Essentials - Wellbeing of Future Generation Act \(Wales\)](#)
- [Corporate Plan 2017 - 2022](#)
- Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee held on 7 March 2019
[Report \(Agenda Item 5 refers \) and Minutes](#)
- Performance Scrutiny Committee – Place and Corporate held on 8 April 2019
[Report \(Agenda Item 6 refers\) and Minutes](#)

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