

### **City and County of Swansea**

# Minutes of the Equalities & Future Generations Policy Development Committee

# **Remotely via Microsoft Teams**

Tuesday, 29 September 2020 at 2.00 pm

Present: L S Gibbard (Chair) Presided

Councillor(s)Councillor(s)Councillor(s)C AndersonD W HelliwellT J HenneganY V JardineP K JonesM Sherwood

L J Tyler-Lloyd L V Walton

## Co-opted Member(s)

Y V Jardine

#### Also Present

Councillor Andrea Lewis Cabinet Member for Homes, Energy & Service

Transformation (Deputy Leader)

### Officer(s)

Sally-Ann Evans Lead Lawyer

Kate Jones Democratic Services Officer

Rachel Lewis Project Manager
Antony Moss Energy Manger
Martin Nicholls Director of Place

Joanne Portwood Strategy and Policy Officer Suzy Richards Sustainable Policy Officer

# 38 Disclosures of Personal & Prejudicial Interests.

In accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the City and County of Swansea, no interests were declared.

#### 39 Minutes.

**Resolved** that the Minutes of the Equalities & Future Generations Policy Development Committee held on 21 July 2020 be approved and signed as a correct record.

# 40 Energy Strategy Update.

The Cabinet Member for Homes, Energy & Service Transformation (Deputy Leader), the Director of Place, the Energy Manger and the Project Manager were present for the Committee's consideration of the Energy Strategy 2020-2030.

The Director of Place highlighted:

- Reporting of emissions Scope 1, 2 & 3 emissions
- New Solar Farm Projects
- Refit Low Carbon Programme
- Progressing work towards a Swansea Bay Tidal Lagoon
- Collaborative work with Egni Co-Op on schools
- Removing street lighting and highways aspect from the Energy Strategy to sit separately with Highways
- Accompanying Action Plan

Questions and discussions focussed on the following:

- Publication awaited from the Welsh Government
- Tree planting
- Achievability of becoming a net zero carbon emissions Authority by 2030
- Interest from private companies in recent development and the Swansea Standard
- Micro / Mini forests

The Cabinet Member and Chair, on behalf of the Committee, thanked the Director of Place and Officers for their hard work.

**Resolved** that the report and update be noted.

# 41 Sustainable Development Policy.

The Sustainable Policy Officer presented the report on 'Sustainable Development Policy'.

Questions and discussions focussed on:

- Vision Sustainable development is about getting the best out of all our resources today, while making sure we have plenty or resources for tomorrow
- Areas for change Corporate planning
- Governance
- Well-being goals and well-being objectives
- Timescale for action plan
- Five ways of working Involvement change to refer to involving everyone instead of only those with an interest in achieving the well-being goals

The Chair thanked the Sustainable Policy Officer, on behalf of the Committee.

#### **Resolved** that:

- 1) The draft sustainable development Policy be approved for further consideration by Council; and
- 2) The Policy be linked to a sustainable development action plan reporting to CMT.

## 42 Workplan 2019/20.

The Chair presented the Work Plan 2019/20.

The Chair noted that work was ongoing in relation to the Black Lives Matter Motion and it was expected that an update would be provided to the Committee at the next meeting.

The Strategy and Policy Officer had undertaken a draft summary of the work completed by the Committee during the year which would be circulated to Members.

The Chair thanked Members and support Officers for their contribution and work during the municipal year.

**Resolved** that Work Plan be noted.

The meeting ended at 2.40 pm

Chair