



Report of the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Community Health Services

Cabinet – 15 July 2021

West Glamorgan Regional Co-production Framework

Purpose:	This report details the West Glamorgan Regional Co-production Framework for Swansea Council to endorse as a part of the West Glamorgan Regional arrangements
Policy Framework:	Social Services and Wellbeing (Wales) Act 2014, Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015
Consultation:	West Glamorgan Regional Partners, Social Services, Access to Services, Finance, Legal, and citizens
Recommendation(s):	It is recommended that Cabinet 1) Approve the West Glamorgan Regional Co-production Framework and supporting Charter and Toolkit (Appendix 1, 2 and 3).
Report Author:	Jane Whitmore
Finance Officer:	Chris Davies
Legal Officer:	Debbie Smith
Access to Services Officer:	Rhian Millar

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The West Glamorgan Regional Co-Production Pack consists of a Co-Production Framework (Appendix 1), Co-production Toolkit (Appendix 2) and Co-production Charter (Appendix 3). If approved, Swansea Council will implement the Pack in its delivery of the West Glamorgan regional programmes, projects and forums

- 1.2 The Co-production Framework sets out the common definitions, context and principles for co-production along with the approaches to embedding co-production throughout the Regional Partnership. This helps describe what we mean by co-production and set a consistent way forward for making sure co-production is at the heart of regional work.
- 1.3 The regional Co-production Framework aligns with the already established and approved Social Care Co-production Strategy for Swansea.

2. Background

- 2.1 The Co-production Framework sets out the common definitions, context and principles for co-production along with the approaches to embedding co-production throughout the Regional Partnership.
- 2.2 This helps describe what we mean by co-production and set a consistent way forward for making sure co-production is at the heart of our regional work.
- 2.3 The Co-production Toolkit provides information and guidance to support organisations to work co-productively with people that use services or have used services and their carers. This places individuals as equal partners in the design, development, commissioning delivery, monitoring and review of services. This includes a self-assessment audit tool which helps to identify strengths and areas for improvement.
- 2.4 The Co-production Charter is a tool for boards and senior leaders to demonstrate their commitment to embedding the principles of coproduction within their organisation. It defines the common vision and principles as well as the key outcomes that organisations are committing to delivering by signing up to the Charter.
- 2.5 Together, these three documents establish a common purpose and way forward for our Regional Partnership when taking forward the regional work programme. The three documents were developed in parallel by the Regional Coproduction Group. It was endorsed by the Recovery Board on 19 January 2021 and by the Regional Partnership Board on 22nd January 2021

3. Integrated Impact Assessments

- 3.1 The Council is subject to the Public Sector Equality Duty (Wales) and must, in the exercise of their functions, have due regard to the need to:
 - Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act.
 - Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.
 - Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.

- Deliver better outcomes for those people who experience socio-economic disadvantage

The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2005 mandates that public bodies in Wales must carry out sustainable development.

Sustainable development means the process of improving the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales by taking action, in accordance with the sustainable development principle, aimed at achieving the 'well-being goals'.

Our Integrated Impact Assessment process ensures that we have paid due regard to the above.

- 3.2 An IIA Screening Form has been completed with the agreed outcome that there are no negative impacts, in fact the introduction of this framework highlights potential positive impacts; that services to people with protected characteristics may increase; that the proposals are compatible with corporate priorities and WBFGA obligations. Therefore a full IIA report is not required.
- 3.3 Please refer to **Appendix 4** Integrated Impact Assessment Screening Form as a background paper

4. Legal Implications

- 4.1 This strategy will ensure that we are compliant with the relevant parts of the Social Services and Wellbeing (Wales) Act 2014.

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1 There are no financial impacts directly arising from the endorsement of this Framework.

Background Papers: None

Appendices:

Appendix 1	West Glamorgan Regional Co-production Framework
Appendix 2	West Glamorgan Regional Co-production Toolkit
Appendix 3	West Glamorgan Regional Co-production Charter
Appendix 4	Integrated Impact Assessment Screening Form