## Providing Council with Written Responses to Questions asked at Council 6 October 2022

#### 1. Councillor S J Rice

# In relation to Minute 58 - West Glamorgan Regional Market Stability Report 2022

He referred to Page 212 of the report specifically 7.9 "Domiciliary Care – Older Adults" and outlined his surprise that the number of commissioned hours had decreased by 37% in Swansea. He asked for an explanation.

## **Response of the Cabinet Member for Care Services**

When presenting his review of the performance of Social Services 2021/22, the Director of Social Services updated Council on the ongoing national challenge presented by the deficits in capacity of the domiciliary care workforce. There is a direct correlation between the available domiciliary care workforce and the amount of domiciliary care that the Council can either directly deliver or commission from independent providers.

The Council continues to work with Welsh Government and local and regional partners to grow domiciliary care capacity within local authority, third sector and independent providers.

## 2. Councillor E W Fitzgerald

#### In relation to Minute 63 - Councillors Questions - Q7

She asked for locations of the 12 pilot schemes where solar panels were to be installed and an indicative cost of each scheme.

## **Response of the Cabinet Member for Service Transformation**

You asked for locations of the 12 pilot schemes where solar panels were to be installed and an indicative cost of each scheme.

The response is outlined in the table and text below.

## Selection of Enveloping Sites – Renewables Integrated

Site/Location	Programme Delivery Dates	No. of Properties	Renewables	Budget Allowance (PV & Battery only)
Garnswllt	2023/23	12	PV panels, battery storage, heat pump	180,000
Craig Cefn Parc	2023/24	12	PV panels, battery storage, heat pump	180,000

Felindre	2023/24	9	PV panels, battery storage, heat pump	135,000
Boarspit, West Cross	2023/24 - 2030/31	232	PV panels, battery storage	3,480,000
Sketty Park	2023/24 – 2030/31	334	PV panels, battery storage	5,010,000
Penyrheol	2023/24 - 2025/26	102	PV panels, battery storage	1,530,000
Garden City, Fforestfach	2023/24 – 2025/26	75	PV panels, battery storage	1,125,000
Trallwn	2023/24 – 2024/25	33	PV panels, battery storage	495,000
Waunarlwydd	2023/24 – 2028/29	214	PV panels, battery storage	3,210,000
Cwmrhydyceiw	2023/24 - 2025/26	67	PV panels, battery storage	1,005,000
Morriston	2023/24 – 2025/26	74	PV panels, battery storage	1,110,000
Woodside, Clydach	2023/24 – 2025/26	69	PV panels, battery storage	1,035,000

Sites where heat pumps are included are in rural locations where properties are off grid and energy costs greater than urban areas served by the gas grid.

**Selection of sites** – this is based strictly on the existing planned programme of external enveloping to renew finishes and upgrade thermal performance of all elements. Renewable technologies will be integrated into programmes on this basis to ensure the most cost effective and efficient method of programme delivery. The approach and strategy Swansea has adopted is being adopted as best practice by Welsh Government in its draft guidance to social housing providers.

**PV & Battery Budget Allowance –** an allowance of £15,000/property based upon previous pilot schemes have been allowed. It is hoped that budget savings may be achieved in larger schemes with benefits of economy of scale.

## 3. Councillor C A Holley

In relation to Minute 63 – Councillors Questions – Q8
He stated that the list of all sites and buildings transferred through asset management to community groups had not been circulated.
Response of the Cabinet Member for Corporate Services & Performance

Further to Council on the 6 October 2022, please see attached document, as requested, the list of sites and buildings transferred through asset management.