

### Report of the Chair

## **Scrutiny Programme Committee – 8 April 2019**

# **Scrutiny Performance Panel Progress Report**

Purpose	The Committee is responsible for managing the overall work of scrutiny and its effectiveness. Performance Panel conveners will regularly provide a progress report, updating the Committee on headlines from their Panel's work and impact.
Content	This report focuses on the following Performance Panel: a) Public Services Board
Councillors are being asked to	<ul> <li>Ensure awareness and understanding of the work of the Panel</li> <li>Consider its effectiveness and impact</li> <li>Consider any issues arising and action required</li> </ul>
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### 1. Introduction

Finance Officer:

1.1 There are six Performance Panels which have been established by the Committee. Whilst the work of Inquiry Panels leads to the production of a final report with conclusions and recommendations for Cabinet based on evidence gathered on a specific issue, the work of Performance Panels represent regular monitoring of, and challenge, to particular services / service areas.

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1.2 Performance Panels are expected to have on-going correspondence with relevant cabinet / lead members in order to share views and recommendations, arising from monitoring activities, about the performance of services and service delivery.

- 1.3 The Committee is responsible for managing the overall work of scrutiny and its effectiveness. Performance Panels Conveners will therefore provide a regular progress report to the Committee to enable:
  - a discussion on the work of each Panel, achievements, effectiveness and impact
  - the Committee to consider any issues arising from Panel activities which may have an impact on the overall scrutiny work programme
  - awareness amongst the Committee as well as visibility across the council and public.
- 1.4 This report is about the following Performance Panel:
  - a) Public Services Board

To focus the discussion a short written report has been provided by the convener of the Panel, and is *attached*. This updates on work over the past year. This includes a summary of Panel activities, correspondence between the Panel and relevant Cabinet Members, proposals made and impact. NB - The Scrutiny Programme Committee is the designated committee for scrutinising Swansea Public Services Board (for the purposes of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015), but has established this Panel to help discharge its responsibility.

1.5 The Public Services Board Performance Panel has a fixed membership of 13, as follows:

#### Councillors:

#### **Labour Councillors:**

Mo Sykes	Convener of Schools Performance Panel
Terry Hennegan	Vice-Chair of Scrutiny Programme Committee

#### **Liberal Democrat Councillors:**

Mary Jones (CONVENER)	Chair of Scrutiny Programme Committee
Chris Holley	Convener of Service Improvement & Finance
	Performance Panel
Peter Black	Convener of Adult Services Performance Panel
Jeff Jones	Convener of Development & Regeneration
	Performance Panel

#### Conservative Councillor:

Paxton Hood-	Convener of Child & Family Services
Williams	Performance Panel

#### Other:

### Partner Representatives:

Martin Waygood	ABMU Health Board

Cllr John Warman	Mid & West Wales Fire & Rescue Service
Unfilled – name to	Police & Crime Panel
follow	
Cherrie Bija	SCVS
Unfilled (unable to	Natural Resources Wales
provide rep.)	
Unfilled (no non-	Probation Service
executive member)	

### Co-optees:

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Councillor Peter Jones

## 2. Legal Implications

2.1 There are no specific legal implications raised by this report.

## 3. Financial Implications

3.1 There are no specific financial implications raised by this report.

**Background Papers:** None

Appendices:

Appendix 1 – Scrutiny Performance Panel Update