CYNGOR CAERDYDD CARDIFF COUNCIL

ENVIRONMENTAL SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

10 NOVEMBER 2022

SIXTH CARDIFF LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN ANNUAL MONITORING REPORT

Purpose of the Report

 To give Members the opportunity to endorse the Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) following approval at Cabinet on 20 October that was submitted to Welsh Government.

Structure of the Papers

- 2. To facilitate Members' scrutiny, the following appendices are attached to this report:
 - Appendix 1 Cabinet Report
 - Appendix 2 Local Development Plan 6th Annual Monitoring Report

Scope of Scrutiny

3. At their meeting on 20 October 2022, the Cabinet considered the sixth AMR prior to its submission to the Welsh Government by 31 October.

Background

- In January 2016 the Council formally adopted the Cardiff Local Development Plan 2006 to 2026 and is required to submit an annual monitoring report by 31 October each year following the plan adoption.
- 5. The AMR is laid out as noted in **point 3**:
 - i. Executive Summary
 - ii. Introduction
 - iii. Contextual Information
 - iv. LDP monitoring process
 - v. LDP Monitoring indicators

- vi. Sustainability Appraisal Monitoring
- vii. Conclusions and recommendations

The Annual Monitoring Report

- 6. The following topics are noted in the Cabinet cover report:
 - i. Employment **point 6** notes performance in relation to job creation.
 - ii. Housing the number of new completions on the four strategic housing sites i.e. St Ederyns Village, North West Cardiff, North East Cardiff and North of J33, are detailed in **point 7**, and **points 8 -11** provide explanations of the improvement in completions, the lag between the plan being adopted and homes being completed, and the impact of the pandemic.
 - iii. Affordable Housing **point 12** highlights the progress being made
 - Transportation point 13 indicates the increase in travel by sustainable modes i.e walking, cycling and public transport, again acknowledging the affect of the pandemic.
 - v. Gypsy and Traveller Sites **point 14** notes the discussions and collaboration needed to secure permanent and transit sites.
 - vi. Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) point 15 indicates that since the adoption of the LDP 18 SPGs that support the policies of the LDP have been approved by the Council
 - vii. Contextual Changes **point 16** refences the changes to the national planning framework.
 - 7. The overall conclusion of the AMR in **point 17** is that good progress is being made.

Legal Implications

 Points 22 – 28 outline the Legal Implications in relation to Planning legislation, the Equalities Act, the Well-being of Future Generations and the Wels Language Measure.

Financial Implications

9. There are no direct implications in relation to the AMR noted.

HR Implications

10. None are noted

Property Implications

11. None are noted

Proposed Recommendations to Cabinet

- 12. The report to Cabinet contains the following recommendations:
 - *Cabinet is recommended to recommend that Council endorse the sixth* AMR for submission to the Welsh Government by 31st October 2022'

Way Forward

13. Councillor Dan De' Ath (Cabinet Member –Transport & Strategic Planning) will be invited to make a statement and answer questions. Andrew Gregory (Director of Planning, Transport and Environment), and Simon Gilbert (Head of Planning) will also attend to answer Members' questions.

Legal Implications

The Scrutiny Committee is empowered to enquire, consider, review and recommend but not to make policy decisions. As the recommendations in this report are to consider and review matters, there are no direct legal implications. However, legal implications may arise if and when the matters under review are implemented with or without any modifications. Any report with recommendations for decision that goes to Cabinet/Council will set out any legal implications arising from those recommendations. All decisions taken by or on behalf of the Council must (a) be within the legal powers of the Council; (b) comply with any procedural requirement imposed by law; (c) be within the powers of the body or person exercising powers on behalf of the Council; (d) be undertaken in accordance with the procedural requirements imposed by the Council e.g. Scrutiny Procedure Rules; (e) be fully and properly informed; (f) be properly motivated; (g) be taken having regard to the Council's fiduciary duty to its taxpayers; and (h) be reasonable and proper in all the circumstances.

Financial Implications

The Scrutiny Committee is empowered to enquire, consider, review and recommend but not to make policy decisions. As the recommendations in this report are to consider and review matters, there are no direct financial implications at this stage in relation to any of the work programme. However, financial implications may arise if and when the matters under review are implemented with or without any modifications. Any report with recommendations for decision that goes to Cabinet/Council will set out any financial implications arising from those recommendations.

RECOMMENDATION

The Committee is recommended to:

- *i.* Consider the information in this report, its appendices and the information presented at the meeting;
- *ii.* Determine whether they would like to make any comments or observations to the Cabinet on this matter; and
- *iii.* Decide the way forward for any future scrutiny of the issues discussed.

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