

Caerphilly Public Services Board Well-being Plan
Six Monthly Performance Report

Date: 4 June 2019

Action Area: Procurement

Contribution to the 4 Well-being Objectives:
This Action Area will make significant contributions to the Positive Change Objective. A shared commitment to improving the way we work together to develop a modern, flexible and innovative approach to procurement and commissioning.

The proposed work also has the potential to support and contribute to other Action Areas, and links are being made to these Groups. There is particular synergies with the Apprenticeships, Asset Management and Resilient Communities Groups.

Contribution to the 7 Well-being Goals:
The work will make contributions towards a Prosperous, Resilient, Healthier, Cohesive and a Globally Responsible Wales.

Performance measures where identifiable	Is there a risk this will not be achieved?
On an annual basis record the number of contracts awarded by taking into account sustainability strategies and objectives.	No
On an annual basis record the number of suppliers signed up to the Welsh Government Code of Practice – Ethical Employment in Supply Chains.	No
On an annual basis record the number of contracts that include community benefits and/or social value clauses.	No
Qualitative measures	

Evidence

Discussion within the Group meeting held in February regarding the inclusion of Commissioning especially due to the forums already established e.g. the National Commissioning Board and the Gwent Regional Partnership Board. These Boards and associated work streams have been established in line with the requirements of Social Care and Well-Being Act. Agreed action from the meeting for the Lead Officer to consult with the Council's Corporate Director for Social Services. Subsequently agreed that the Group would progress the priority areas of activity and key tasks that are currently listed within the Action Plan, which are predominately Procurement related. This will avoid any potential to duplicate the work of the aforementioned forums and adversely impact Commissioning Officers valuable time and resource. The lead will also work closely with representatives of the National Commissioning Board, the Gwent Regional Partnership Board and the PSB Partnering Organisations;

Unfortunately no further Group meeting has been possible due to unavailability, however communication has been ongoing via e-mail and direct telephone conversations;

Co-ordinating information and establishing links across the PSB in relation to the Foundational Economy, specifically in relation to the recent Challenge Fund, which closes on 12 July 2019;

Lead Officer is vice chair of the WLGA Heads of Procurement Group and is undertaking work at a National and South East Wales level in relation to the Future of Local Government Collaborative Procurement in Wales. Principles Paper produced and supports the initiatives within the Group's Action Plan. The Paper will be disseminated following consultation;

Lead Officer is actively involved with the Apprenticeships agenda and is a representative of the Group together with working closely with representatives of the Asset Management Group in relation to electric vehicles and electric vehicle infrastructure;

Code of Practice (CoP) on Ethical Employment in Supply Chains, Caerphilly CBC latest Modern Slavery Statement was published in March 2019. Other partnering organisations have either signed up or are in the process of formally signing up to the CoP. Discussions undertaken with representatives of Welsh Government in relation to measuring and monitoring community benefits/ social value clauses within Contracts via National Themes Outcomes and Measures (TOMS) Framework (or equivalent) aligned to WFG Act. New version of the Community Benefits Measurement Tool circulated across the public sector for initial consultation and feedback requested by 30 November 2018.



Ref	Key Tasks	Progress
A	Collaboration on spend and produce a sourcing plan (on a Gwent footprint to be aligned with Welsh Government's national approach once finalised). This will include the development and engagement with the third sector on possible opportunities.	This is a medium term task (2-3 years). Task being progressed at a national and regional level via WLGA . Discussions being held with National Procurement Service regarding the use of Atamis Spend Data and this can be replicated with PSB Partnering Organisations subject to direct agreement.
B	Adoption of Welsh Government's Code of Practice ('CoP') - Ethical Employment in Supply Chains.	Organisations are actively adopting/ signing up to the CoP and developing action plans. This information is available via TISC – https://tiscreport.org Caerphilly Statement via: https://www.caerphilly.gov.uk/My-Council/Strategies,-plans-and-policies/Procurement-strategies-and-plans/Modern-Slavery-Statement
C	Apply Community Benefits and/or Social Value Clauses in all Contracts (where applicable). Develop appropriate guidance and effective mechanism for 'buyers and suppliers' on the identification and recording of social, economic and regeneration benefits.	Actively consulting with Welsh Government on the New version of the Community Benefits Measurement Tool. Adopted within Caerphilly CBC's Programme for Procurement 2018-2023. Links to the Apprenticeships Group to ensure clauses covering apprenticeship opportunities, targeted, recruitment and training are included and subsequently monitored within appropriate Contracts. This will hopefully highlight opportunities, increase numbers and raise awareness. Supporting the Electric Vehicles and Electric Vehicle Infrastructure. Attending various workshops, events and seminars in relation to the Foundational Economy Agenda.
D	Development of Local Supply Chains. Including a 'Passport to Trade' methodology. Streamline and standardise on processes and procedures, use of technology by taking into account the local, regional and national digital agenda.	This is a medium to long term task (2-5 years) depending on individual organisations technical capability. This will also be linked to the National approach to Procurement (as referenced in A above under progress) Caerphilly CBC implementing the 'Passport to Trade' methodology and will be able to pass on knowledge and experiences to our partners.
Guidance sought from the Public Services Board		