

## **CABINET/COUNCIL – FORWARD PLAN**

FOR THE PERIOD 1 FEBRUARY 2023 TO 31 JANUARY 2024

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CORPORATE STRATEGY	To update our Corporate Strategy and Well-being Objectives	Cabinet 13 Feb 2023	No	Leader of the Council	Chief Executive Nicola Evans, Business Support Manager njevans@car-marth enshire.gov.uk
HIGHWAYS ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN Maintenance Manual	The Maintenance Manual is being developed as a portfolio of individual highway maintenance and management policies adopting a risk-based approach and according with a national code of practice. The topic being brought forward covers the management of highway drainage.	Cabinet 13 Feb 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Transport, Waste and Infrastructure Services	Director of Place & Infrastructure Richard Waters, Highways and Transportation Services Manager RWaters@car-marth enshire.gov.uk
PROPOSAL FOR CABINET TO CONSIDER THE FORMALLY SIGNING OF THE	On 4 July 2022, Cabinet established a Cross Party Advisory Panel to support the authority's approach to addressing the climate and nature emergencies and the adoption of the Edinburgh Declaration. At	Cabinet 13 Feb 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Climate Change, Decarbonisation and Sustainability	Director of Place & Infrastructure Rosie Carmichael, Rural Conservation Manager

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EDINBURGH DECLARATION ON POST-2020 GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK	the inaugural meeting of the Advisory panel, Members provided unanimous support for the Cabinet formally signing the declaration.				racarmichael@car marthenshire.gov.u k
Treasury Management Policy and Strategy 2023-2024	That Council formally approves the Treasury Management Policy and Strategy for 2021-22 and recommendations therein. That Council formally approves the Treasury Management Indicators, Prudential Indicators, the MRP Statement, the Investment Strategy and recommendations therein.	Cabinet 13 Feb 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Resources	Director of Corporate Services Anthony Parnell, Treasury & Pension Investments Manager aparnell@carmarth enshire.gov.uk
Council Transformation Strategy	A Transformation Strategy will provide the strategic framework to support the implementation of a programme of organisational transformation over the next 5 years.	Cabinet 13 Feb 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Organisation & Workforce	Chief Executive Nicola Evans, Business Support Manager njevans@carmarth enshire.gov.uk
COMMUNITIES, HOMES AND REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	To consider the Task and Finish Group's recommendations on the adoption of an Emergency Social Housing Allocations Policy	Cabinet 20 Feb 2023	No	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Homes	Chief Executive Kevin J Thomas, Democratic Services Officer kjthomas@carmart

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TASK AND FINISH GROUP REPORT – EMERGENCY SOCIAL HOUSING ALLOCATIONS POLICY					henshire.gov.uk
HOUSING SUPPORT PROGRAMME (HSP) STRATEGY 2022-26	This strategy sets out our priorities and those of our partner agencies for homelessness prevention, homelessness relief and housing related support services over the coming four years (2022-26) to support our most vulnerable citizens to live as part of their communities.	Cabinet 20 Feb 2023	No	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Homes	Director of Communities Christine Harrison, Head of Strategic Joint Commissioning Chris.harrison@pembrookshire.gov.uk
RAPID REHOUSING TRANSITION PLAN 2022-2027	Rapid Rehousing is an approach which ensures that anyone experiencing homelessness can move into a settled home as quickly as possible. While our priority is preventing homelessness, we want Rapid Rehousing to become the default approach when people become homeless. The Plan has been developed in partnership to deliver transformation.	Cabinet 20 Feb 2023	No	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Homes	Director of Communities Angie Bowen, Investment and Income Manager AnBowen@carmart.henshire.gov.uk
FIVE YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAMME	To enable the authority to agree a five-year capital programme 2023/24 to 2027/28	Cabinet 20 Feb 2023	No	Cllr. Alun Lenny, Cabinet Member	Director of Corporate Services Randal

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(COUNCIL FUND) – 2023/24 TO 2027/28					Hemingway, Head of Financial Services RHemingway@car marthenshire.gov.uk
REVENUE BUDGET STRATEGY 2023/24 TO 2025/26	To enable the Authority to set its Revenue Budget for the Council Fund and resultant Council Tax for 2023/24.	Cabinet 20 Feb 2023	No	Cllr. Alun Lenny, Cabinet Member	Director of Corporate Services Randal Hemingway, Head of Financial Services RHemingway@car marthenshire.gov.uk
Covid 19 impact on Contractors – Major works	A report will be produced to explore the financial impact on Contractors as a consequence of the Covid-19 pandemic. The report will establish the current contract provisions being enforced by the Authority compared against various government advice and relief procedures. To further inform stakeholders, the report will capture the potential implications for adopting and seek a decision on implementing contractor support mechanisms to mitigate the financial impact of Covid-19.	Cabinet 20 Feb 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Transport, Waste and Infrastructure Services	Director of Place & Infrastructure Jason G. Jones, Property Maintenance Manager JGJones@carmarthenshire.gov.uk

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COUNCIL'S REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING REPORT	To provide the Cabinet with an update on the latest budgetary position as at 31st December 2022, in respect of 2022/23.	Cabinet 20 Feb 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Resources	Director of Corporate Services Randal Hemingway, Head of Financial Services RHemingway@car-marthenshire.gov.uk
RURAL ESTATES	<p>In January 2021, the Welsh Government announced regulatory measures to address agricultural pollution. These regulations are known as The Water Resources (Control of Agricultural Pollution) (Wales) Regulations 2021. The regulations will have a huge impact on the majority of the Council's farms, especially the dairy farms, which will involve having to upgrade slurry storage facilities to accommodate at least five months' worth of slurry. The average capacity of slurry stores on Council farms currently stands at 2-3 months of storage.</p> <p>This report provides an update on the current situation regarding the impact of the regulations on the Farm Estate and the implications following the outcome of recent condition surveys carried out on all 24 farms.</p>	Cabinet 20 Feb 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Resources	Chief Executive Jason Jones (Head of Regeneration), Head of Regeneration JaJones@car-marthenshire.gov.uk

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Treasury Management and Prudential Indicator Report 1st April 2022 to 31st December 2022	To provide members with an update on the treasury management activities from 1st April 2022 to 31st December 2022	Cabinet 20 Feb 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Resources	Director of Corporate Services Anthony Parnell, Treasury & Pension Investments Manager aparnell@carmarthenshire.gov.uk
FIVE YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAMME (COUNCIL FUND) – 2023/24 TO 2027/28	To enable the authority to agree a five-year capital programme 2023/24 to 2027/28	County Council 1 Mar 2023	No	Cllr. Alun Lenny, Cabinet Member	Director of Corporate Services Chris Moore, Director of Corporate Services cmoore@carmarthenshire.gov.uk
COUNCIL TAX PREMIUMS ON LONG TERM VOIDS AND SECOND HOMES	To consider the options open to the Council with regard to introducing Council Tax Premiums on Long term empty properties and second homes.	County Council 8 Mar 2023	No	Cllr. Alun Lenny, Cabinet Member	Director of Corporate Services Helen Pugh, Head of Revenues and Financial Compliance HLPugh@carmarthenshire.gov.uk
EMPTY PROPERTY POLICY	TO INTRODUCE THE EMPTY PROPERTY POLICY THAT WILL SET THE VISION AND THE WORK PROGRAMME FOR THE COUNCIL IN TACKLING EMPTY RESIDENTIAL	Cabinet 13 Mar 2023	No	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Homes	Director of Communities Gareth Williams, Team Leader GajWilliams@carm

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	<p>HOMES WITHIN THE COUNTY FOR THE NEXT 4 YEARS. THE POLICY ALSO SETS OUT THE LOAL CONTEXT AND THE IMPORTANCE OF BRINGING EMPTY HOMES BACK INTO USE TO HELP MEET THE HOUSING NEED IN THE COUNTY PARTICULARLY FOR LOCAL PEOPLE.</p>				arthenshire.gov.uk
Conservation Area Appraisals	<p>This report sets out the work being undertaken to review ten designated Conservation Areas across the County. It identifies the outcome of the review and the subsequent consultation exercise including on the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•A character appraisal;</li> <li>•A boundary review and</li> <li>•A management plan.</li> </ul> <p>The report in setting out the above identifies the outcome of the public consultation exercise and the next steps including the processes required to amend any of the Conservation Area designations.</p>	Cabinet 13 Mar 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Rural Affairs and Planning Policy	Director of Place & Infrastructure Rhodri Griffiths, Head of Place and Sustainability RDGriffiths@carma rthenshire.gov.uk
LAND PURCHASE REQUIRED FOR SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES FOR LEARNING	<p>Proposal to consider the purchase of land and virement in the capital programme to proceed with a new replacement Welsh medium school for Ysgol Gwennllian, Kidwelly.</p>	Cabinet 13 Mar 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Education and Welsh Language	Director of Education & Children Simon Davies, Head of Access to

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SCHEME					Education sidavies@car-marthenshire.gov.uk
Business Rates – Retail, Leisure and Hospitality Rates Relief Scheme 2023/24	To consider the adoption of a rate relief scheme being made available to billing authorities by Welsh Government for 2023/24	Cabinet 13 Mar 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Resources	Director of Corporate Services Ann Thomas, Revenue Services Manager AnThomas@car-marthenshire.gov.uk
WEST WALES ADULT ADVOCACY STRATEGY 2023 - 2027	THE ADULT ADVOCACY STRATEGY SEEKS TO SHAPE THE COMMISSIONING ARRANGEMENTS OF HDUHB, CARMARTHENSIRE CC, CEREDIGION CC AND PEMBROKESHIRE CC IN ORDER TO MEET THEIR STATUTORY DUTIES. IT SEEKS TO ENSURE THAT GOOD QUALITY ADVOCACY IS READILY AND EQUITABLY AVAILABLE, IN THE WEST WALES REGION.	Cabinet 13 Mar 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Health & Social Services	Director of Communities Christine Harrison, Head of Strategic Joint Commissioning Chris.harrison@pembroekeshire.gov.uk
CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2022/23 UPDATE	To provide an update of the latest budgetary position for the 2022/23 capital programme, as at the 31st December 2022.	Cabinet 27 Mar 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Resources	Director of Corporate Services Randal Hemingway, Head of Financial Services



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ALTERNATIVE OUTDOOR EDUCATION OFFER	The purpose of this report is to review Carmarthenshire County Council's current Outdoor Education offer and to explore options for a re-modelled service within existing resources.	Cabinet 27 Mar 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Leisure, Culture & Tourism	Director of Communities Ian Jones, Head of Leisure IJones@carmarthe nshire.gov.uk
CARMARTHENSHIRE'S SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES FOR LEARNING (CSCfL)	To provide Cabinet with an updated CSCfL (formerly known as Modernising Education Programme (MEP)) as the long-term strategy and investment plan for schools. The plan will be brought forward following extensive consultation with stakeholders.	Cabinet 27 Mar 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Education and Welsh Language	Director of Education & Children Simon Davies, Head of Access to Education sidavies@carmarth enshire.gov.uk
Roundabout Sponsorship Scheme	A Roundabout Sponsorship Scheme will involve businesses being able to sponsor a roundabout in the County and see their company promoted in potentially highly visible locations. It is envisaged that sponsorship funds will go towards maintaining both roundabouts and essential Highways	Cabinet 27 Mar 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Transport, Waste and Infrastructure Services	Director of Place & Infrastructure Jonathan Willis, Housing Services Manager (Advice & Options) jnwillis@carmarthe nshire.gov.uk
ELECTRIC	The report provides an update on	Cabinet	No	Cabinet Member for	Director of Place &

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VEHICLE CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGY, TWELVE MONTH REVIEW	progress with the Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Strategy.	24 Apr 2023		Transport, Waste and Infrastructure Services	Infrastructure Steve Pilliner, Head of Transportation & Highways SGPilliner@carmarthenshire.gov.uk
THE EDUCATION AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES STRATEGY FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOLS AND SPECIALIST SETTINGS, INCLUDING THOSE THAT ARE MOST CHALLENGED.	This report outlines the range of differentiated support provided to our schools, PRUs and specialist settings ensuring that leaders, teachers and teaching assistants access the necessary support to ensure that all pupils progress and thrive.	Cabinet 27 Mar 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Education and Welsh Language	Director of Education & Children Elin Forsyth, Strategic Lead for School Effectiveness EMForsyth@carmarthenshire.gov.uk
TENANT RECHARGE POLICY	Occasionally it may be necessary to recharge a tenant for work that we have carried out to the property which was the tenant responsibility under the tenancy agreement. The policy will guide officers when dealing with council tenant recharges, ensuring a consistent approach.	Cabinet 24 Apr 2023	No	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Homes	Director of Communities Jonathan Morgan, Head of Homes & Safer Communities JMorgan@carmarthenshire.gov.uk

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TENANT COMPENSATION POLICY	The report sets out our approach to when it may be appropriate to compensate a tenant who has suffered loss or inconvenience due to service failure. The policy will guide officers when dealing with council tenants ensuring a consistent approach.	Cabinet 24 Apr 2023	No	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Homes	Director of Communities Jonathan Morgan, Head of Homes & Safer Communities JMorgan@carmarthenshire.gov.uk
AN EVALUATION OF ESTYN INSPECTIONS ACROSS CARMARTHENSHIRE SCHOOLS, PUPIL REFERRAL UNITS AND SPECIALIST SETTINGS.	This report provides an evaluation of Estyn inspections over the last five years, outlining the strengths of our schools, PRUs and specialist settings, as well as providing an overview of recommendations for improvement. In addition, the report outlines how the ECS department supports schools both pre and post Estyn inspections to ensure that all of our learners' progress and thrive.	Cabinet 24 Apr 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Education and Welsh Language	Director of Education & Children Elin Forsyth, Strategic Lead for School Effectiveness EMForsyth@carmarthenshire.gov.uk
Street Naming and Numbering Policy	The report seeks to update on the preparation of the Street Naming and Numbering Policy. It sets out the responses received as part of the formal consultation on the policy and officer recommendations ahead of its formal adoption.	Cabinet 24 Apr 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Rural Affairs and Planning Policy	Director of Place & Infrastructure Ian R Llewelyn, Forward Planning Manager IRLlewelyn@carmarthenshire.gov.uk
Carmarthenshire Public Services	The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 places a duty on each	Cabinet 11 Apr 2023	No	Leader of the Council	Chief Executive Noelwyn Daniel,

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Board (PSB) Well-being Plan 2023-28	<p>PSB to develop and publish a county Well-being Plan. As part of the preparation of this Plan, Carmarthenshire PSB has undertaken a detailed Well-being Assessment.</p> <p>The objectives and actions identified as part of this plan will focus on areas of collective action that the PSB can influence by working together and does not therefore replicate what is considered to be the core business of the individual member bodies of the PSB, unless there is added value to be gained by the PSB working together.</p>				<p>Head of ICT and Corporate Policy ndaniel@carmarthenshire.gov.uk</p>
Cleansing Service Strategic Management Plan	<p>To present the outcomes of the review into the Council's street cleaning service and make recommendations for future service delivery.</p>	<p>Cabinet 24 Apr 2023</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Transport, Waste and Infrastructure Services</p>	<p>Director of Place &amp; Infrastructure Daniel John, Interim Head of Waste DWJohn@carmarthenshire.gov.uk</p>
Grants Awards Policy	<p>In line with the requirement of the Welsh Language Standards the Council must produce and publish a policy on awarding grants (or, where appropriate, amend an existing policy) which requires you to consider positive or negative effects the awarding and implementing of the grant could have on:</p> <p>(i) opportunities for persons to use the</p>	<p>Cabinet 24 Apr 2023</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Education and Welsh Language</p>	<p>Chief Executive Noelwyn Daniel, Head of ICT and Corporate Policy ndaniel@carmarthenshire.gov.uk</p>

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	Welsh language, and (ii) treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language.				
Tackling Poverty Action Plan	The Council has prepared a tackling poverty action plan which incorporates its response to the cost of living crisis. The plan outlines actions to be taken by a range of Council services and steps to further our involvement with a range of external stakeholders.	Cabinet 24 Apr 2023	No	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Homes	Chief Executive Noelwyn Daniel, Head of ICT and Corporate Policy ndaniel@carmarthenshire.gov.uk
Defence Employee Recognition Scheme	To approve progression within the Defence Employee Recognition Scheme (DERS) to Silver Award and to strengthen our ongoing commitment to the Armed Forces Covenant. In October 2021, Cabinet approved the re-signing of the Armed Forces Covenant, which pledged a commitment to apply for the DERS. The DERS encourages employers to support those serving (reservists) or who have served in the armed forces (veterans) and their dependants. It aligns with the Armed Forces Covenant which is a pledge to the Armed Forces Community and their families that they will be given respect and fairness in the United Kingdom that they serve. The DERS encompasses Bronze, Silver, and Gold Awards for employers that pledge, demonstrate or advocate	Cabinet 24 Apr 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Organisation & Workforce	Chief Executive Noelwyn Daniel, Head of ICT and Corporate Policy ndaniel@carmarthenshire.gov.uk

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	support to the Armed Forces Community.				
Welsh Language Promotion Strategy 2023-28	To approve the Welsh Language Promotion Strategy for 2023-28, as a part of our statutory responsibilities under the Welsh Language Measure (Wales) 2011. Carmarthenshire County Council leads on the preparation of the Promotion Strategy; however, we work closely with partners across the county to co-design our work to support the Language in our communities. This is the second promotion strategy and there will be an opportunity to reflect on the results of the 2021 Census as part of our work.	Cabinet 24 Apr 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Education and Welsh Language	Chief Executive Noelwyn Daniel, Head of ICT and Corporate Policy ndaniel@carmarthe nshire.gov.uk
LEISURE, CULTURE AND OUTDOOR RECREATION STRATEGY – POST CONSULTATION	The document provides a framework for the service to work with key stakeholders to deliver a strategically aligned Leisure, Culture and Outdoor Recreation Strategy for the next 10 years.	Cabinet 5 Jun 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Leisure, Culture & Tourism	Director of Communities Ian Jones, Head of Leisure IJones@carmarthe nshire.gov.uk
ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE WELSH IN EDUCATION STRATEGIC PLAN (WESP)	The Carmarthenshire 2022-32 WESP became operative on 1.9.22. The Local Authority is required to submit an annual progress report to Welsh Government. It's deemed pertinent to present this report to the Scrutiny process prior to WG	Cabinet 17 Jul 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Education and Welsh Language	Director of Education & Children Aeron Rees, Head of Strategy and Learner Support

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Annual Treasury Management and Prudential Indicator Report 2022-2023	To provide members with an update on the treasury management activities for 2022-2023	Cabinet 4 Sep 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Resources	Director of Corporate Services Anthony Parnell, Treasury & Pension Investments Manager aparnell@carmarthenshire.gov.uk
Equestrian Strategy	<p>The Carmarthenshire Rights of Way Improvement Plan (ROWIP) 2019-2029 has been produced and published in accordance with section 60 of the Countryside and Rights of Way (CROW) Act (2000). The ROWIP details Carmarthenshire's plan for the strategic management, development, and improvement of the County's Public Rights of Way network up until 2029.</p> <p>During consultation with the Local Access Forum, The Forum identified a need for the local authority to commit to producing a Carmarthenshire Equestrian Strategy to recognise the access opportunities and challenges for horse riding and carriage driving across the County.</p> <p>An Equestrian Strategy to 'promote and develop an accessible network for</p>	Cabinet 30 Oct 2023	No	Cabinet Member for Transport, Waste and Infrastructure Services	Director of Place & Infrastructure Steve Pilliner, Head of Transportation & Highways SGPilliner@carmarthenshire.gov.uk

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	<p>equestrian use' has therefore been published in the Carmarthenshire Rights of Way Improvement Plan 2019-2029. The report sets out the proposal to adopt an Equestrian Strategy for Carmarthenshire.</p>				
<p>CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2022/23 UPDATE</p>	<p>To provide an update of the latest budgetary position for the 2022/23 capital programme</p>	<p>Cabinet 27 Nov 2023</p>	<p>No</p>		