REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR HEULWEN D HULME FOR RHIWCYNON WARD AND PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR ENVIRONMENT, HIGHWAYS, TRANSPORT, RECYCLING & COUNTRYSIDE SERVICES JUNE 2021

# POWYS REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP BOARD

Powys Regional Partnership Board (RPB) is pressing ahead with plans for a new health and care academy for the county. Its first campus in Basil Webb Hall, on the Bronllys Hospital site, will open in the autumn, with plans to develop further similar facilities, across the county, over the next couple of years. The Powys Health and Care Academy (HCA) will offer face-to-face and digital learning opportunities through four schools – a School of Research, Development and Innovation, a School of Leadership, a School of Volunteers and Carers, and a School of Professional and Clinical Education and Training – to employees in the health and care sector, to those looking for a career in the sector and to volunteers and unpaid carers who support the sector. Its first group of learners will be young adults who are being offered work placements with Powys Teaching Health Board, Powys County Council's Social Services department and Powys Association of Voluntary Organisations through the UK Government-funded Kickstart Scheme.

# CABINET/EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT TEAM 8.6.21

Briefing on welsh language provision, School transformation programme, awareness of the Children's Services front door, Cyber resilience within the authority and an update from the Leader on a WLGA meeting on 28 May. **15.6.21** 

A budget review briefing by Finance Officer to commence service discussions and to consider the delivery of savings whilst maintaining our statutory responsibilities. Going forward the finance team will present a 3 year short term budget plan with an additional indicative 2 years towards a medium term vision.

# 22.6.21

A review of the Corporate Improvement Plan Annual Performance Report detailing the authorities adaptability in Covid times, being more adventurous, ambitious and how the authority has led the way during 20/21. **29.6.21** 

A presentation of ash die back and the work the authority will undertake. A briefing on how the authority will deliver affordable homes, home grown homes using local materials.

## **DEPOT MEETINGS – VIRTUAL**

We reinstated depot meetings for Councillors from Penybont, Boughrood, Brecon, Abercrave, Llanfyllin, Welshpool, Abercrave Depots and provided a briefing on grass cutting, road repairs, capital programme for major road improvements.

## CHILDRENS AND ADULT SERVICES COMMISSIONING 10.6.21

A briefing on how the service look at demand on the service and the capacity of the services available in Powys. This involves cross services working i.e. Education, Housing< Social Services and Powys Teaching Health Board. As an authority we are keen to keep families together by providing a resilient support team around the family and for adults to ensure residents can remain independent for as long as possible again with the use of technology and domiciliary care if appropriate.

## **GROWING MID WALES 11.6.21**

Ceredigion and Powys County Council met for a briefing on recent meetings with Welsh & UK Governments to finalise the growth deal and both authorities are keen to see it finalised by September. Both governments are keen for the growth deal to play an important part in the covid recovery phase and to further support the economy. The deal is £55m from UK Gov and will be match funded from Welsh Gov over a 10 year period.

## **CABINET 15.6.21**

To consider a report for the authority on Biodiversity & Resilience of Ecosystems duty section 6 of the Environment (Wales) act 2016. To consider the Covid Recovery fund proposals and to consider the recommendation of the scrutiny committee. Both papers were supported.

## 22.6.21

Ysgol Dyffryn Trannon - Cabinet gave the go ahead for a statutory notice to be published formally proposing the language category to Welsh.

Ysgol Calum Cymru – Cabinet approved to commence informal engagement with key education stakeholders including learners, parents, governors and staff so that they can contribute to the development of the strategic vision for transforming education in the area.

## THRIVING & SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY COMMITTEE 17.6.21

A meeting to agree the 3 bids going forward for the UK Government Levelling Up Fund. They include a Highways, Rights of Way and Active Travel Bid, Mid and South Powys Regeneration Bid and Montgomeryshire Canal Restoration Bid. They closing date is noon 18.6.21

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT PEER PANEL REVIEW 17 & 18.6.21

A two day seminar with leaders and executives from other rural counties, Cumbria, North Yorkshire, Lancashire, Cornwall and Monmouth to discuss opening up the wider economy and council services and new ways of working. The panel challenged us on our Vision 2025, targets, budget setting, workforce inclusion, cultural change and to be more robust and to think the unthinkable.

#### **RHIWCYNON BROADBAND 21.6.21**

164 expressions of interest have been received.

#### **CHILDREN SERVICES FRONT DOOR 22.6.21**

Powys County Council have confirmed the change in name and contact details for the Children's Services Front Door service. Children's Services Front Door is the first point of access for professionals and residents to raise concerns about the welfare of children and young people. The service also provides information advice and assistance on a range of support for children, young people, and families in Powys, where a statutory service is not required. **To contact Children's Services Front Door call 01597 827666, email** <u>CSFrontDoor@powys.gov.uk</u> or visit www.powys.gov.uk

#### LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 24.6.21

A briefing on affordable housing in the authority and how the need is greater now than ever due to increasing house prices.

#### SCHOOL GOVERNORS – NEW ALL THROUGH SCHOOL, LLANFAIR CAEREINION

I have recently been appointed onto the full governors for the new all through school and also sit on a sub committee for Communications to ensure staff, pupils, parents are well briefed on the changes going forward.

MEETINGS ATTENDED IN JUNE = 40 AND ALL 4 COMMUNITY COUNCILS MET DURING THE MONTH

## PLANNING IN THE RHIWCYNON WARD

- ABERHAFESP PLANNING
- 20/1122/FUL Building for pig rearing & associated works at Bank Farm, Aberhafesp, SY16 3LS
- 21/0605/LBC Listed building consent, East Wing, Aberhafesp Hall, SY16 3HJ
- 21/0706/LBC Removal of glass/wood partition Flat 2 Aberhafesp Hall, SY16 3HJ
- 21/0656/FUL Rural enterprise dwelling & Assoc works, Bank Farm, Aberhafesp SY16 3LS
- 21/1094/HH Enlargement of single garage to double garage, Haulfryn, 1 Hillcrest, Aberhafesp SY16 3HL
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- DWYRIW PLANNING
- 20/1891/RES Reserved matters for Plot 2, Fronoleu, Adfa SY16 3DB
- 21/0322/OUT- 1 dwelling, garage and assoc. works at Argae Fields, New Mills SY16 3NG
- 21/0453/RES Single dwelling & access at land adjoining the garage, Adfa SY16 3DD
- 21/0683/FUL Agricultural dwelling and assoc works. Crugnant, Adfa SY16 3DF
- 21/0641/FUL Sileage Pit, Bryncoch, Tregynon Sy16 3PX
- 21/0638/FUL Covered Manure Store, Bryncoch, Tregynon, SY16 3PX
- 21/0931/FUL Renovation, Bwthyn Celyn, Adfa SY16 3DG
- 21/1016/FUL Erection of roof over cattle yard, Tycoch, Llanwyddelan SY16 3BT

#### MANAFON PLANNING

- 20/1448/RES – Reserved matters for 5 dwellings, Tremhirnant SY21 8BX

- 20/1798/FUL 6 Lodges & associated works, Belan Deg, New Mills, SY16 3NJ
- 21/0392/FUL Log cabin & assoc works, Lower House Farm, Manafon SY21 8BJ
- 21/1042/LBC Domestic garage/workshop and summer house, Mynachdy Sant Elias, Manafon, 3NQ
- 21/1056/FUL 2 Holiday Units, Glyn Cogan Barn, Manafon SY21 8BJ
- 21/1132/REM Removal of Conditions 2,3 Land adj Tremhirnant, Manafon Sy21 8BX
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- TREGYNON PLANNING
- 19/1633/REM Section 73/ Conditions at Dolycoed, Tregynon SY16 3PY
- 21/0636/HH Extension, alteration & assoc works, Brynwelon, Treegynon SY16 3EU
- 21/00006/REF Appeal, 3 Tan Y Eglwys, Tregynon SY16 3EZ
- 21/0746/REM Remove Section 73 & conditions, Old Sawmills, Tregynon SY16 3PL

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