

## **APPENDIX 10**

### **WELLBEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS (WALES) ACT 2015**

1. The work of planning and preparing the recommendations has taken place within the context of the Act's requirements. Although the recommendations are derived from a difficult financial position, the Council has acted on the basis of the principle of acting in a way that addresses the statutory duty in Section 3 to undertake sustainable development and achieve the Council's Wellbeing Objectives. This is addressed by identifying and evaluating options for savings, but also in decisions and choices from the perspective of supporting investment in services.
2. Main conclusions for the 2019/20 budget regarding the 7 well-being goals:
  - Prosperous – Neutral
  - Resilient - Positive (prudential long-term approach to funding services)
  - Healthier – Positive (funding Dementia Units, and other 'Care' requirements)
  - More Equal - Positive (taxing in order to fund 'welfare' services)
  - Cohesive Communities – Neutral
  - Culture and Language – Positive (by funding bilingual services)
  - Globally Responsible – Neutral
3. This budget reflects the following five ways of working that the Council is required to consider when applying sustainable development.
  - Looking to the long term - The budget plans for the future, identifying future needs and demand for services, taking a strategic approach to ensure services are sustainable.
  - Taking an integrated approach - The budget proposals encourage ways of working with partners, where that's more sustainable.
  - Involving the population in decisions – Part of the budget process and savings strategy included engagement with residents, customers and partners.
  - Working in a collaborative way – Where better services can be provided by collaboration, the budget process and savings strategy encourages this.
  - Understanding issues and preventing them – The budget process facilitates an understanding of the financial position, so that issues can be tackled at the source. Also, the public consultation and the 2 series of Members' Workshops have aided an understanding of the financial savings strategy.
4. Regarding specific financial savings schemes, as part of the corporate and departmental savings regime, where appropriate there was a specific wellbeing assessment for each individual scheme, and consideration thereof in the workshops organised to scrutinise them and to prioritise savings to be implemented.
5. Generally, coupled with the Council's Plan and Wellbeing Objectives, this budget supports the Council to realise strategic objectives.