

Isle of Anglesey County Council	
Report to:	The Executive and Full Council
Date:	23/09/2025 and 25/09/2025
Subject:	Self-Assessment and Performance Reporting
Portfolio Holder(s):	Cllr Carwyn Jones
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A – Recommendation/s and reason/s

Recommendations

1. The Executive recommends that Council/Council approve the constitutional changes required to reflect the merging of the Annual Self-Assessment Report and the Annual Performance (Wellbeing) Report into a single integrated document called the Annual Self-Assessment and Performance (Wellbeing) Report.
2. The Executive recommend that Council/Council approve changes to the Constitution to reflect that the merged report referred to in paragraph 1. above shall be a function of the Executive.
3. The Council authorises the Monitoring Officer to make the constitutional changes required to implement paragraphs 1. and 2. above.

Reasons

4. There are statutory requirements for the Council to publish an Annual Self-Assessment Report and an Annual (Wellbeing) Report. Merging these reports is permissible under statute and encouraged in the statutory guidance that accompanies the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 and the Well-being of Future Generations Act 2015. Each emphasise the benefits of integrated reporting where possible.
5. The Annual Self-Assessment Report is about the Council's performance, effective use of resources and governance arrangements. As the Executive is accountable for service delivery and, owing to the iterative role of the Governance and Audit Committee in relation to the Annual Self-Assessment Report, a decision was made by Council that the Annual Self-Assessment Report become a function of the Executive. This decision was made on the 24/09/2024. The link is [here](#).
6. The Annual Performance (Wellbeing) Report is about how we are sustainably meeting our wellbeing objectives, pursuant to the Wellbeing of Future Generations Act 2015. In essence, this is about how the Council is contributing to the national wellbeing goals set by Government while providing for the needs of our citizens without compromising the wellbeing of subsequent generations. The Annual Performance (Wellbeing) Report is currently a matter which is reserved to full Council.

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7. Although the two reports derive from different legislation, they contain common ground, relying on similar data/analysis to demonstrate compliance with two different statutory requirements. This creates a duplication of work, for both members and officers, despite the principle of integrated reporting contained in the statutory guidances.
8. To avoid duplication and to use our resources as efficiently and effectively as possible, it is suggested that the reports be merged and that the Constitution be amended to ensure that responsibility for the merged report is allocated to either full Council, or the Executive. The merged report would be called The Annual Self-Assessment and Performance (Wellbeing) Report.
9. Owing to the case made to full Council on the 24/09/2024, the Council resolved to allocate responsibility for the Annual Self-Assessment Report to the Executive. The recommendation, therefore, is that the merged report shall be an Executive function. Such report will still be subject to scrutiny by the Corporate Scrutiny Committee and, under its statutory terms of reference, by the Governance and Audit Committee. The reports may be integrated, and the approval process streamlined, but without compromising appropriate opportunity for challenge and accountability.

B – What other options did you consider and why did you reject them and/or opt for this option?

Maintaining the status quo or allocating the responsibility for the merged report to the full Council. Those options were rejected for the reasons described in paragraphs 4-9 above.

C – Why is this a decision for the Executive?

This involves a recommendation for a constitutional change and the Executive must be provided with an opportunity to express a view. The final decision, however, rests with full Council.

Ch – Is this decision consistent with policy approved by the full Council?

Not relevant

D – Is this decision within the budget approved by the Council?

Not relevant

Dd – Assessing the potential impact (if relevant):		
1	How does this decision impact on our long term needs as an Island?	Not relevant. This Report is about how and where we report rather than what we report.
2	Is this a decision which it is envisaged will prevent future costs / dependencies on the Authority? If so, how?	
3	Have we been working collaboratively with other organisations to come to this decision? If so, please advise whom.	
4	Have Anglesey citizens played a part in drafting this way forward, including those directly affected by the decision? Please explain how.	
5	Note any potential impact that this decision would have on the groups protected under the Equality Act 2010.	
6	If this is a strategic decision, note any potential impact that the decision would have on those experiencing socio-economic disadvantage.	
7	Note any potential impact that this decision would have on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language.	

E – Who did you consult?		What did they say?
1	Chief Executive / Leadership Team (LT) (mandatory)	
2	Finance / Section 151 (mandatory)	
3	Legal / Monitoring Officer (mandatory)	
4	Human Resources (HR)	
5	Property	
6	Information Communication Technology (ICT)	
7	Procurement	
8	Scrutiny	
9	Local Members	

F - Appendices:

Ff - Background papers (please contact the author of the Report for any further information):