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# Vision What good looks like for ateb...

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# Introduction

# What does good look like?

Our Vision and its 6 supporting documents sets out what we need to do to be the best we can for the customers we serve.

Our world doesn't stand still so nor should we, our 'Vision of good' will constantly evolve to reflect our customers changing circumstances, demands, operating conditions and relationships.



#### Creating better Living Solutions



Customer Commitment



DNA & Leadership Style



Longer term Aims & Priorities



Operational Delivery



Assurance & Risk



Planning Improvement

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# **Group** The ateb Group & more...



# ateb Group

# The ateb Group consists of the following companies:

The Group offers various services across the West Wales counties of Carmarthenshire, Ceredigion and Pembrokeshire.

The parent of the Group, ateb Group Limited, is regulated by the Welsh Government, who in turn regulates the subsidiary organisations through a Welsh Government Circular 05/08 - Group Structures. Each Company has its own Board that reports to the parent Board.



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# The Group companies have the following attributes:



MILL BAY





	ateb	Mill Bay Homes	West Wales Care & Repair	EBS
Key Activity	Social and affordable housing and related support	New build homes	Adaptation advice and works	Property and development services
Turnover	£18m	£10m	£700K	Dormant
Team*	100	3	19	0
Formed	1981	2012	2014	2017
Legal Status	Registered Social Landlord & FCA Community Benefit Society	Wholly owned subsidiary limited by shares	FCA Community Benefit Society	Wholly owned subsidiary limited by shares

\*Figures correct at time of publication.

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# #1 Purpose

What you can expect from us...

Creating better **Living Solutions** 

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### **Our Purpose:**

The ateb Group (where ateb means answer or solution in Welsh) is a unique set of companies that collectively has the shared purpose of... Creating better living solutions...

> For the people and communities of West Wales

### We believe that:

Better living starts with a place that we can call home. A home is more than just a house; it's a safe, stable, secure environment from which people can live their lives.

Not everyone can achieve this without help, we will create a variety of solutions to help and support people and communities to make more homes.

# This means that we must find creative ways of:

- Responding to housing need.
- Helping people to maintain their tenancy.
- Supporting communities to build capacity and be self-sufficient.
- Regenerating communities through social, economic, environmental and physical programmes.
- Helping older and vulnerable people to stay in their homes and communities when their lifestyles change.



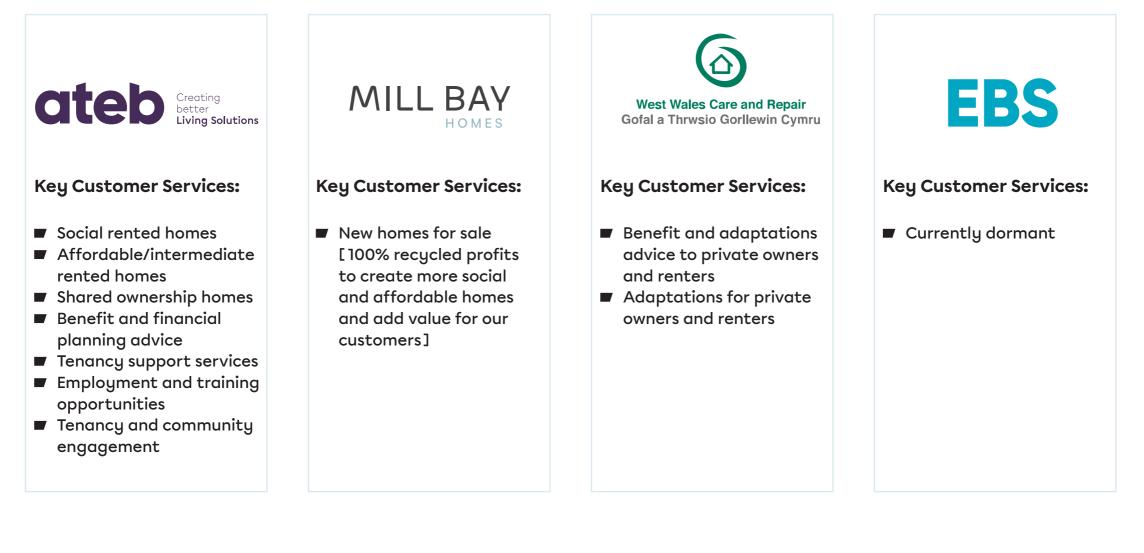
Customers should **EXPECT US** to always deliver the ...

Right<br/>customer<br/>outcomes as<br/>effectively<br/>as we<br/>can

for the people and communities of West Wales

"If it matters to you, it matters to us!"

# These are ateb's 'living solutions':





# **#2 DNA**

Values, leadership & more...

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# DNA

We believe that having the right culture is important to our performance and success.

# We aspire to a culture or DNA that has:

- Inspiring vision and strategy
- Positive inclusion and participation
- Enthusiastic teams and collaborative working
- Support and autonomy for staff to innovate

# If it matters to you, it matters to us!

Our DNA will help us to deliver a great service to our customers, utilise our resources effectively, develop ourselves and others, collaborate with partners and have fun making a difference.

#InYouWeTrust

#AccessAllAreas

#GetThingsDone





# What's in our DNA?

# #InYouWeTrust

**Trust** is the essential building block to our organisation, without it, things just won't be as good. We will be **open** in our approach so that we can learn from each other's experiences and we will **care** about what we do and how we do it.

# **#AccessAllAreas**

We will be **inclusive** in everything we do as diversity of background, experiences, skills and views enrich our work and services. We know we will need help, so we will seek out and sustain strong **collaborative** arrangements with our partners and stakeholders.

# #GetThingsDone

We will take **ownership** of our customer outcomes and be accountable for our actions. We will have a **proactive** attitude and always seek to be **innovative** and improve what we do.

Things change, so we must always be **flexible** to adapt to situations and make sure that we are always delivering the right outcomes, efficiently with great customer experience.

# The ateb Group leadership hierarchy is as follows:



ateb Group will continually develop its leadership style. We have the following leadership framework:

LEVEL	DESCRIPTION	LEADERSHIP ROLE
G	Boards	Governance leadership
F	Group Lead	Overall leadership framework responsibility
E	Strategic Leads	Lead on the development and monitoring of our strategic objectives
D	Senior Leads	Lead on strategic and operational delivery
С	Senior / Service Leads	Lead one or more service areas as detailed in the #4 Deliver
В	Service / Team Leads	Lead a particular team or service
А	Delivery Leads	Lead on aspects of service delivery

# DNA

### ateb Group recognises that great leadership must exist throughout the organisation.

The leadership hierarchy must encourage a leadership style throughout the ateb Group that:

- Promotes our Purpose
- Supports our DNA
- Sets clear outcomes for our efforts
- Defines operating boundaries and risk
- Promotes learning over failure
- Supports colleagues to experiment to achieve more
- Appreciates colleagues' achievements, efforts and commitment

We believe that good leaders will always:

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- Pay attention to people
- Understand people's needs
- Show empathy in their response
- Help to resolve issues

# DNA

All our people will need to demonstrate the following personal characteristics and attributes appropriate to their role and their leadership group:

Technical Competency	Decision Making	People Management	Team Working	Financial Control	Communication
We will make sure we have the right skills and expertise	We need people throughout our organisation to make the right decisions at the right time		So much more can be achieved through good team work	To help as many people as we can we must be financially aware and astute	Is the glue that will keep our organisation together

Organisational Skills	Innovation		Project / Process Management	Enthusiasm	Technology Competency
Agility and flexibility can only be achieved through well organised and connected systems	To make our resources go further, we need to be thinking What if?	Is at the heart of what we do, we are a customer service focused organisation	only be embedded where there is	We are here to make a difference, not to make up the numbers	In our fast moving digital world we must be technologically adept



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# #3 Plan

Keeping us on track.

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# Plan

The ateb Group has established the 3 strategic aims that will help us to create better living solutions for more people and communities across West Wales over the longer term:



Plan

Each strategic aim has 4 strategic priorities as follows:

# **AIM ONE**

# **AIM TWO**

### Improve Customer Service

Customers	We must always deliver the right customer outcomes as effectively as we can
Property	We should always maximise our property assets and property investment
People	We must attract and retain the right skills, experience and enthusiasm
Systems	We need to have the right processes and infrastructure to be high performing

#### Serve More People

Service Growth	We should identify how we can grow our existing services
Market Growth	We should explore whether we can add value to our purpose by branching into complementary market sectors
Diversification	We should evaluate whether there is merit in diversification that adds value to our purpose
Collaboration & Partnership	We should explore all opportunities that add value to our purpose through working with others

# **AIM THREE**

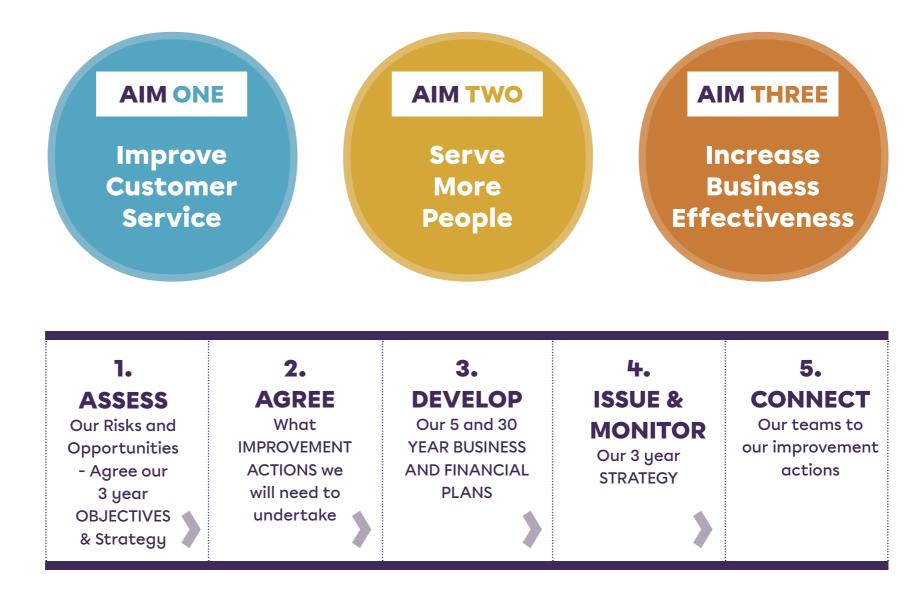
### **Increase Business Effectiveness**

Purpose	We must ensure we have the right ambitious purpose
Governance	We must have the right skills, competencies and systems to govern effectively
Culture	We must have the right DNA and working arrangements running throughout the Association
Resources	We must have the right finances, people, partnerships and infrastructure

# Plan

Every 3 years our Board with our Customers, Teams and Partners, will produce a Strategic Plan detailing the Strategic Objectives that we will concentrate on.

The Strategic Plan will be supported by a base 5 and 30 year business and financial plan.



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# **#4 Deliver**

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The right customer outcomes as effectively as we can...

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# Deliver

ateb Group has 38 different service areas that must each deliver their right customer outcomes as effectively as they can:

# CUSTOMER OUTCOMES



#### **EXTERNAL** FACING SERVICES

Lettings\* → Development Income Collection\* Customer Advice & Support Supported & Older Person\* Customer Engagement Community Development Tenancy Management Maintenance → Strategic Asset Management\* Shared Spaces Management\* Compliance Works Planned Improvement → Major Repairs

Recruitment PR/Marketing Procurement/Supplier Management

MBH – Sales\* → Development MBH – After Sales

WWCR - Customer Advice & Support\* WWCR - Quick Response\* WWCR - Adaptations\* WWCR - Technical Services\*

#### **INTERNAL** FACING SERVICES

#### Strategy **Board Management Risk Management** H&S Performance Management Learning & Development Wellbeing People Management Data Analysis/Management ICT Service Desk **ICT** Management Communication **Commercial Facilities Financial Accounting** Management Accounting **Treasury Management Payments & Collections Payroll & Pensions**

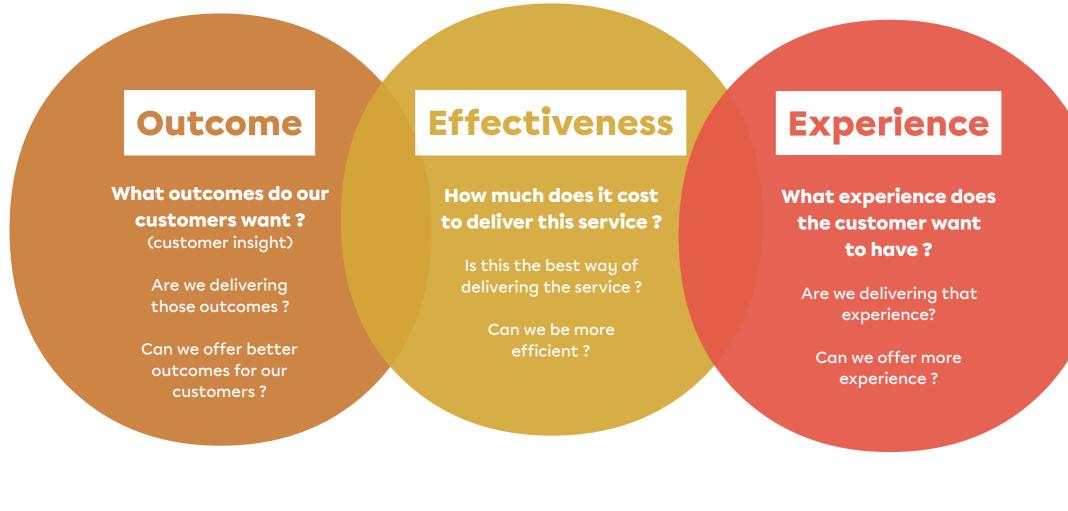
RESOURCES

People Finance Infrastructure Partners Land Equipment Materials

MBH = Mill Bay Homes
WWCR = West Wales Care & Repair
All other services are delivered by ateb Group.
\*Services that raise income or grant.

## Deliver

### Each service area must focus on its customer outcomes and its effectiveness



# Customer Outcome **=** Customer Demand.

# Deliver

### Our 100% Value for Money challenge!

We will AIM to offer the best Value For Money services we can by measuring and monitoring whether we are achieving the right customer outcomes as effectively as we can:



We will always challenge ourselves to seek more by actively planning our improvement actions based on improving customer outcomes and delivery effectiveness. Each service area will identify and manage a servce hub consisting of:

- Process maps
- Key operational risks
- Measures and targets
- Improvement planning

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# **#5** Assure

How we assure ourselves, we are delivering our vision...

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# Assure

## We are working towards the achievement of our Vision,

how can we be assured we are heading in the right direction?





#### STEP 1

What strategic **risks** will stop us achieving our Vision? STEP 2

What strategic **controls** will help us control, influence or minimise those risks? STEP 3

What **tests** do we need to undertake to know the risks are being controlled?

#### STEP 4

**VISION** 

Are we assured we are on the right track to achieving our **vision**?

### Our approach to assuring we are doing everything we can to be as good as we can

#### DATA VALIDITY

Is this the right data to tell us what we need to know..?

#### DATA ACCURACY

Is this data 100% accurate..?

#### DATA ANALYSIS

Are we using the data to make the right decisions..?

# Assure

## Our strategic risks, controls and tests ...

# **OUR 16 STRATEGIC RISKS**

#### **PURPOSE**

 We don't relate to our customers' expectations

#### DNA

Bad employer or partner

#### PLAN

- We fail to make the right investments e.g. new property developments or strategic asset management
- We fail to manage our funding requirements effectively

#### DELIVER

- We do not manage our operational costs effectively
- We don't manage our income streams effectively
- Poor levels of service or product quality
- Failure to deal with customer and community issues effectively

#### ASSURE

- We fail to meet H&S legislation and regulatory requirements
- We fail to comply with employer and landlord legislation
- We fail to operate within our regulatory framework
- We fail to meet our lenders covenants
- We fail to deliver our contractual requirements
- Poor governance systems and decision making

#### **IMPROVE**

- We do not understand how our services are performing
- Lack of improvement planning and delivery

# CONTROLS eg.

- Legislation
- Regulations
- Company / Governance rules
- Key contractual arrangements
- Strategic documents
- Policies
- Terms of Reference

# TESTS eg.

- Internal Audit
- Regulatory Judgements
- Specialist audit / review
- Peer reviews
- Board / team reviews
- Light-touch / In-depth assessments

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# #6 Improve

We will always seek to improve what we do...

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Improve

## Improvement is the day job

We will always seek to improve what we do

"Improvement is the process of a thing moving from one state (Current) to a new state (Future) considered to be better, usually through some action intended to bring about that better state."

## **Our 4 stage Improvement Process**



### Improve

### **Improvement Systems**

We use the following tools to embed improvement within the day job...

# Improvement built in...

#### Purpose

Our Group's aspirational purpose should drive us to aim for better Culturally we should all be seeking to improve what we do every day

DNA

Our long term improvement plan that we review each year to see whether we are improving

Strategy

#### Engage 2 Improve

Our initiative aimed at listening to our customers' needs, prioritising issues and agreeing improvement actions

#### Improve Process

The approach Or we will take to st identifying or and planning or improvement ef

Our operational structure focused on customer outcomes and effectiveness

Deliver

#### Assure

Report

The controls and tests including reporting we will undertake to make sure we are improving Our annual review and self evaluation on whether we have improved our services over the last year

**REPEAT...** 

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# Vision

This Vision establishes the core framework that we believe will deliver the right customer outcomes as effectively as we can in a trusting, inclusive, 'get things done' environment

... this is what good looks like for ateb

