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**ITEM 11 – LEADER & CABINET MEMBER STATEMENTS**

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## **STATEMENT OF THE LEADER**

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### **Cardiff Breakfast Club**

I was pleased to attend and speak at a meeting of the Cardiff Breakfast Club on 11 November 2016. This provided an opportunity for me to set out our vision for Cardiff to become Europe's most liveable capital city and the current position in terms of the City Deal and the economic strategy for the Cardiff Capital Region. I also argued for Wales to have an industrial strategy which exploits the power of its cities. In particular I stressed that there needs to be a much stronger relationship between generating economic growth and the funding of local infrastructure, and that Cardiff could achieve far more economically for Wales if some of the benefits of growth were reinvested back in to infrastructure to support the city economy. I also called upon the business community to support Council programmes, including the Cardiff Commitment.

### **WLGA Annual Conference 2016**

The Welsh Local Government Association Annual Conference was held on 3 November 2016 at the Principality Stadium in Cardiff and I was pleased to welcome delegates to Cardiff for the event. The conference programme included a keynote address from the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government, Mark Drakeford AM, which set out his proposals for local government reform and further consultation, which is expected to take place in December and into early 2017.

### **Google Garage**

This month officers recently met with representatives of Google to identify a location for a new 'Google Digital Garage' which provides support and training for business to take advantage of the latest web based tools to access new markets, gain new customers and develop an international customer base. Google have looked at a number of locations across the city and are due to announce shortly their preferred location.

### **HMRC**

HMRC have recently announced their shortlisted sites in Cardiff that will house a new regional tax centre that will provide additional jobs and investment. The shortlisted sites are all within the city-centre and whilst the initial requirement is for 280,000 sq. ft. there is also potential for a further 200,000 sq. ft. to house additional non-devolved government organisations in Wales.

## **City Deal**

The Growth and Competitiveness Commission has concluded its evidence gathering exercise and will deliver its findings next month. The Growth and Competitiveness Commission will be the first delivered commitment of the City Deal signed in March this year. The Chair of the Commission, Greg Clark, has spoken to over 100 people personally, contributing to what will be a substantial piece of work that will underpin the City Deal investment programme.

## **Cardiff Commitment**

Work has also begun to connect schools with business, which includes the development of the 'Cardiff Commitment', and businesses and schools will be brought together on December 7<sup>th</sup> at an event where we will explore further collaboration. I believe it is essential that business in the city links with our education agenda to help link supply and demand for schools, but also to engage as part of their Corporate Social Responsibility agenda.

**Councillor Phil Bale**  
**Leader of the City Council**  
23 November 2016

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## **CORPORATE SERVICES & PERFORMANCE STATEMENT**

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### **New Integrated Property IT System**

The Strategic Estates Department have received approval from the Investment Review Board to proceed with the tender process to procure a new integrated property IT system. This new system is much needed in order to improve the efficiencies and quality of the property information the Council holds, and this will align with other departments including PDD and FM.

Various other property transactions have recently completed which have helped work towards a leaner, more efficient estate; these include the sale of the former Rumney Library and the relinquishment of a warehouse in Splott occupied by the events team. The sale of the building in Rumney secured a simultaneous long term lease to the Rumney Forum Community Group and also a capital receipt to the Council whilst the relinquishment of the warehouse lease made a revenue saving to the Council.

### **C2C hits a Milestone – 6 millionth caller!**

On the 4<sup>th</sup> November, C2C spoke to their 6,000,000<sup>th</sup> customer!

C2C opened in September 2001. On average, C2C staff speak with 400,000 customers per year; that's the equivalent of every resident in the City calling the Council at least one a year!

### **Cardiff.gov.uk**

In October the website received nearly 167k visitors; customer trends continue to demonstrate that where available, they are choosing to access services online. 67% of all parking permit applications were made online, and 75% of customers requested green bags via the website rather than over the phone. Visits to the "Information for Landlords" section increased by 68%, helping to support Rent Smart Wales' activities and accessing the site using a mobile device continues to be the most popular method.

### **Walk the Wharf for the Lord Mayors Cancer Research Wales charity**

A Dogs home visit to County Hall from 6 "pooches" brought a smile to many office staff last Friday afternoon. Thanks go to the Council's Dogs Home staff, Cabinet Office, the Chief Executive, Councillors Elsmore and Patel who helped with the Walk the Wharf event. The event last Friday raised £550 for the Lord Mayors Cancer Research Wales charity.

## **All Wales Interpretation and Translation Service (WITS)**

Subject to Cabinet approval the Council will be seeking the authority to host the All Wales Interpretation and Translation Service (WITS) which has been hosted by Gwent Police since its inception in 2009.

The service is run independently under a partnership management board (consisting of Police Forces, Local Authorities, Health Boards and Probation Service) and has done so successfully for the past 5 years. The board contains representatives of its 37 Public sector partners.

The main services offered by WITS are:

- Face to face interpretation – for Foreign Languages and Welsh
- Written Translation - for Foreign Languages and Welsh
- Communication services for the deaf – British Sign Language etc.
- Telephone Interpretation for Foreign Languages (via sub-contracts)

A report will be considered by the Cabinet in January.

## **Cardiff Academy**

Work to develop our Cardiff Academy in City Hall is near completion. This finally pulls together our strategic aim to deliver more high quality 'in-house' training as a centre of excellence, supporting our Organisational Development. It further reduces the need for unnecessary external training spend.

The Academy also has great potential to generate income from this centrally located training facility and provide a wider choice of programmes that accommodates other Local Authorities, Governors and business needs.

## **Members Briefing on Draft Budget Proposals 2017-18**

Members will be invited to an open budget session before the end of the consultation period, which closes on the 11<sup>th</sup> December. Members can access the 2017-18 draft Budget proposals via the Council's website

**Councillor Graham Hinchey**  
**Cabinet Member (Corporate Services & Performance)**

23 November 2016



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**TRANSPORT, PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY**

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**Street Lighting**

In December, the commencement of the LED street lighting contract will begin. Over 13,600 new street lights are planned on main roads and routes across Cardiff, thanks to a £4.5M smart-technology investment. Approximately 1000 lanterns per month will be changed over the next 13 months. The new LED lights are designed to improve the night time environment, reduce street crime and fear of street crime as well as delivering a reduction of 8% in the Council's carbon emissions and saving £800,000 a year in energy costs.

City of Cardiff Councils, Street Lighting Team, have been awarded the HEA (Highways Electrical Association) Contracting Member of the Year 2016 award. The Nationally Acclaimed award, presented at the HEA Annual Conference and Exhibition Awards Dinner on 3rd November 2016, at the Celtic Manor Hotel; was Judged on a strict criteria of industry comparison; assessing organisations rigour within a range of subjects including; audit, recording, health & safety, training and competency. In competition with over 120 competing organisations this award is in clear recognition of the City of Cardiff Council, Highways Lighting teams industry leading high standards and best practice, among the industry's top performers and will encourage high standards throughout the sector.

**Councillor Ramesh Patel  
Cabinet Member, Transport, Planning & Sustainability  
22 November 2016**

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**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, CO-OPERATIVES & SOCIAL  
ENTERPRISE**

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**Co-Operative Councils Innovation Network (CCIN)**

The Co-Operative Councils Innovation Network held their AGM here on 15 and 16 November. The event was hosted by the City of Cardiff Council and I was delighted to attend both days of the event. The first day included a bus tour to Ely & Caerau Community Hub where delegates heard presentations from Cardiff & Vale Credit Union and Spice as well as Hub staff. In the evening I was pleased to have the opportunity to personally welcome the delegates to Cardiff and to introduce the guest speakers, Steve Reed OBE MP and Jim McMahon OBE MP.

For the first time the AGM included a Co-operative Showcase allowing local and national co-operative projects to present their work, hear about other projects, and to learn and discover new opportunities for collaboration. Several local projects participated in the showcase including Pollen8 Cymru, CAER Heritage, Community Gateway, REACH2XL and the Culture School.

Over 40 delegates from 25 Local Authorities and co-operative organisations from across the UK attended the two days. There was lots of positive feedback and all the attendees agreed that the event was a great success.

**Councillor Peter Bradbury  
Cabinet Member (Community Development, Co-operatives & Social  
Enterprise)  
24 November 2016**

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**SKILLS, SAFETY, & ENGAGEMENT STATEMENT**

**AGENDA ITEM: 11**

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**Cardiff University Taxi Study**

The Council has been working with Cardiff University to undertake research into the functioning of the taxi industry in Cardiff. This is a complex subject and next month a number of graduate students will be undertaking research projects examining:

- The challenges people face to secure safe egress from the City centre after a night out in Cardiff. Interviews will take place with different user groups along with taxi drivers to get a balanced view on the issues. There will be an assessment of the schemes aimed at assisting people to leave the night-time economy safely –includes volunteer safety bus and Student Safety Walk Scheme
- The extent of the problem of refusal of short fares and overcharging
- The work of taxi marshals and the functioning of taxi ranks to get a better understanding of the taxi service throughout the night
- The complaints received by the Council's Licensing Team to obtain an understanding of the type of complaints, locations hotspots etc.
- How complaints are actually made and received by the Council and how the complaints procedure could be improved

The findings will be collated into a report for the Council to consider and use as a means to improve the functioning of the taxi industry in the City.

**White Ribbon Campaign**

**Background of gaining White Ribbon Status**

On 9 September 2014, the City of Cardiff Council was awarded White Ribbon Town status. This prestigious award, that I was honoured to accept on behalf of Cardiff, acknowledges the significant commitment and work undertaken by staff working within the Council and within our partner agencies to end violence against women.

Achieving the award demonstrates our commitment, not only as a local authority, but as a city, to make it clear that domestic abuse and all other forms of violence against women and girls will not be tolerated in the Welsh capital.

### **Some Statistics**

Statistics continue to make worrying reading. This year to date in the UK, 105 women have been killed by men. That equates to one woman losing their life every 3 days in the UK. 12 of these tragic deaths have occurred in Wales.

Over 20% of the Domestic Homicide Victims in Wales have been aged 60+.

We know that over 70% of children currently registered on the Child Protection Register have domestic abuse identified as a risk factor.

Sadly we know that these figures, as worrying as they are, represent the tip of the iceberg.

### **Involvement of Men in Ending Violence Against Women**

Recently the Welsh Government launched their National Strategy to address Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence across Wales. This Strategy outlines six objectives that the Welsh Ministers expect to achieve by November 2021.

Specifically under Objective 1: “to increase awareness and challenge attitudes of violence against women, domestic abuse and sexual violence across the Welsh Population”, Welsh Government have identified the need to positively engage men and boys in challenging all forms of violence against women, domestic abuse and sexual violence.

Receiving the White Ribbon City award formalises our city’s commitment to involve men in prevention activities. We know that the majority of men do not engage in violence against women. We know that most men don’t condone it and don’t support it.

### **Cardiff White Ribbon Campaign – Key Successes**

Since receiving our White Ribbon City status in 2014 our campaign has grown steadily and I am pleased to tell you that some of our campaign activities have received national and international support and recognition.

The founder of White Ribbon UK, Chris Green has spoken of the progressiveness of Cardiff and has stated that Cardiff is continuing to ‘lead the way’ in Wales. Our White Ribbon Flower Bed, planted by our Parks and Garden team is a regular feature in Cardiff and photographs of the flower bed have been shared internationally. Indeed, the idea has been adopted by many different organisations and Local Authorities.

The City of Cardiff Council are also proud to have partnered with Cadwyn last month to support the ‘Walk a Mile in Her Shoes’ event that saw many men (including myself) walking in high heel shoes around Cardiff City Centre to raise awareness of men’s involvement in addressing violence against women and girls.

It was a fun event, but with a very serious message and the event gained significant attention. Pictures were shared across social media and 'Made in Cardiff' also filmed the event. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the men who took part. The event will be running again next year and I hope more of my male colleagues will take on the challenge and join us in this annual event.

This week also sees a repeat of our Cardiff Bus ticket campaign that features the Live Fear Free Helpline, a free bilingual service for all victims of domestic abuse and sexual violence and concerned friends and family. Our campaign ran successfully during August and runs again this week to coincide with White Ribbon Day. If you use Cardiff Bus you may have seen the adverts on the back of the tickets and the information on the screens.

### **Final Comments**

As the Domestic Abuse Champion for Cardiff and as a White Ribbon Ambassador, I would encourage all of you to sign the White Ribbon pledge if you haven't already done so, and wear a ribbon to publicly demonstrate your support to the campaign. Ask all of your colleagues to do the same.

We are due to reapply for our White Ribbon City status in the New Year and we would welcome your ideas, on how we can continue to progress our Cardiff White Ribbon Campaign.

**Councillor Dan De'Ath**  
**Cabinet Member for Skills, Safety & Engagement**  
**23 November 2016**

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## **HEALTH, HOUSING & WELLBEING STATEMENT**

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### **Collaborative Trial with Welsh Ambulance Service Trust (WAST)**

I am pleased to announce a collaborative trial between Telecare Cardiff and the Welsh Ambulance Service Trust (WAST). Telecare Cardiff is a 24/7 service run by City of Cardiff Council, providing a response and warden service to over 4,000 Cardiff residents.

Telecare is a system of equipment that helps vulnerable and older people to stay safe in their home. The system is made up of a number of sensors around the home, which send an alert to the emergency response service when triggered – for example, if someone falls or leaves on a gas hob. We currently provide the Telecare service for residents of Cardiff, along with an optional mobile response service. The mobile response service consists of a unique team of highly trained wardens who are able to come directly to the aid of an individual 24 hours a day, anywhere in the City. The service is classed as a preventative measure, enabling vulnerable people to stay safe and independent in their own homes.

The Welsh Ambulance Service receives a high volume of calls from patients who have fallen and need assistance to get back on their feet, but who have suffered no injury. Patients categorised as falls, but not injured, will be seen by a clinician in a timely manner, based on clinical need. Sometimes, however, this leads to delays in ambulance response, when higher priority 999 calls are categorised as having higher clinical need.

The goals of this trial are vitally important. Its main aims are to relieve pressure on the Welsh Ambulance Service, reduce waiting times for residents, reduce hospital admissions, and to enhance our prevention services / measures. As part of the trial, further partnership links have been developed with the Council's Independent Living Service, which will refer patients to an Occupational Therapist who will investigate and advise upon available prevention methods.

This trial strives to improve the experience of individuals at every stage of the falls process. At the initial emergency call, Telecare Cardiff are able to respond twice as fast as WAST, reducing levels of stress and discomfort to that individual. Telecare Cardiff refers each suitable case to Occupational Therapy, which aims to contact patients within 5 days to make an assessment for prevention measures. Thus reducing the risk of patients experiencing further falls that may lead to hospital admissions and injury. Ultimately, we believe the improvement of the entire service will lead to substantial savings for the NHS.

The trial was launched on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2016 and ensures a more efficient use of resources. Indicative spends suggest a saving for the NHS of more than £150 per referral. Therefore, the scope and potential for the trial is huge, and both

Telecare Cardiff and Welsh Ambulance Service are looking forward to reporting further positive outcomes throughout the trial period.

### **Frequent Flyers Project**

I am pleased to update colleagues on one of the successful joint working initiatives that has been undertaken in Housing & Communities. The Homelessness Service has started working with Cardiff & Vale UHB on the frequent flyer project. This project was established to address the complex needs of the most vulnerable individuals who frequently attend the Accident & Emergency department, call the Out-of-Hours GP service, or for an ambulance.

Where an individual does not have secure accommodation, the health's ability to work with them is limited. Therefore, it is vitally important that agencies work together to achieve the best outcomes and solutions for these individuals.

The project has increased communication between key partners from Health and Homelessness Services, in addition to third sector agencies, and enabled all partners to bring their combined expertise to address the issues. This has resulted in person-centred plans that assisted vulnerable clients to access appropriate services at the right point of entry, and has led to individuals being better supported by the right agencies.

Data collected on progress so far demonstrates that this collaborative approach has achieved:

- an 84% reduction in frequent flyer contacts
- a 91% decrease in the amount of hours frequent flyers spend in A&E
- A 95% decrease in health costs for frequent flyers identified as part of this project.

These are considerable achievements and colleagues will recognise how this will reduce pressures considerably on the NHS. Ultimately, the success of the project resulted in a nomination for the award: *Working Seamlessly across Organisations* in the annual NHS awards. Not only did the project win, but it also won the overall NHS award for *Outstanding Contribution to Prudent Healthcare*.

It is an excellent example of improvements for both service users and organisations through effective joint working.

### **Llanishen Gets Together – as a community to support older people**

I was pleased to attend the event *Llanishen Gets Together* on Saturday, 21st October. Almost forty exhibitors came to showcase great activities, groups and services available to people aged 50+ living in Llanishen and Thornhill. Over a hundred local people came and visited the various stands.

People joined in with free singing and samba drumming sessions put on by Goldies and the Vale School of Samba, helping to create a lively atmosphere. There was plenty of information and lots of fun freebies – everything from pens to jar openers and fire alarm testers. There was also the chance to sign up for the activities and groups on offer, including volunteering. Seventy percent of

those who filled in our survey told us they were going to try a new activity or group, which is fantastic!

There was a free café area, generously stocked by Starbucks, Sainsbury's and M&S, where people took the time to chat to one another over a cup of coffee and a mince pie. They also had the opportunity to enter a free prize draw to win a Sainsbury's or M&S hamper, or one of four runner-up prizes of a bag of Christmas goodies.

Those who came really enjoyed the afternoon, with almost all those who took part in our survey telling us that they thought the event was good. One resident told us, 'It's great to have so many things under one roof. I didn't know about half of these.' Another one said, 'We've been here for two hours – I thought we'd only be here for about half an hour!'

Local groups and businesses who attended also told us that they enjoyed Llanishen Gets Together. One of our exhibitors said, 'I think it was good and I think you should do it again,' and another simply described the event as 'brilliant!'

Following on from the event, the team will continue to work with local businesses, groups and public sector organisations within Llanishen to support the Alzheimer's Society's 'Dementia Friends' initiative, and to help local people access groups and activities.

### **Scrutiny Members' Workshop – The Role of Scrutiny after the Implementation of the Social Services and Well Being Act 2014 (SSWB)**

Councillor Lent and I were pleased to join with the chairs and members of the Children and Young Peoples Scrutiny and the Community & Adult Services Scrutiny Committees at a workshop designed to look at the implications for performance measurement and accountability of the new national outcomes framework for Social Services. Members may recall that this framework follows implementation of the Social Services and Well-Being Act in April 2016.

The workshop was led by the Director of Social Services supported by the Head of Performance and Partnerships, Joe Ray, Social Services Performance Manager, Kim Brown and expert WLGA Independent Advisor, Graham Williams. The workshop provided a stimulating insight into the new Act in terms of the role of scrutiny and enabled a constructive debate in relation to the following:

- The Council's approach to performance improvement in the context of the SSWB Act / National Outcomes Framework including:
  - National wellbeing outcomes
  - Links with the Well-Being & Future Generations Act
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  - Quality standards and how we will measure future performance
- Role of the Director of Social Services
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- Role of Scrutiny to support the Director whilst also holding him to account in developing strategic direction for services and securing continuous improvement

Members reflected on their role as Scrutiny members, what supports them / what barriers they face. The reliance on performance information was noted and lay members in particular commented that they found Committee pre-meetings useful.

Members also gave consideration to what might they might be able to do differently. One of the issues discussed in relation to this was the possibility of the structure of the Committees changing, so they would become a Social Services Committee. It was noted that this would require a change to the terms of reference of the Committees as it would not be feasible for them to merge and retain all their existing “non-Social Services” responsibilities. It was agreed that this would be fed into the ongoing review of Scrutiny for consideration.

### **Members’ Safeguarding Workshop**

A similar workshop was provided for all members concerning this essential topic. Those attending were provided with an opportunity to discuss and explore the support that the members’ safeguarding protocol is designed to provide.

There was also an opportunity to hear from our newly appointed Operational Manager for Safeguarding concerning the implications of the Social Services and Well-Being Act 2014 in terms of its impact for vulnerable adults. In relation to children’s safeguarding issues, an SSIA guide to safeguarding provided a basis for exploring some of the fundamental features of national policy, and this was supported in addition by a brief insight into the new model being introduced in Children’s Services – ‘Signs of Safety’.

The role of the Corporate Safeguarding Board in promoting awareness amongst non-social services or schools staff was illustrated by a training video made for the purpose and based on real case scenarios.

Alongside Councillor Lent I hope that all members recognise the importance of attending this training when it is provided again in the first quarter of 2017-18.

### **Links with Public Health – Dementia**

The work with our Public Health colleagues on Dementia Friendly Communities is underway and we are progressing action plans for each Neighbourhood Partnership Team to be delivered by March 2017. The ‘Good Work’ Dementia Learning and Development Framework has been developed and is currently rolling out a number of Dementia Friends sessions.

Following on from the dementia needs assessment there will be a refresh of the Dementia 3 Year Plan. There will be a full partnership approach in terms of delivery of the new Plan, it is anticipated that there will be an implementation group and sub-groups to ensure success. The Care Council for Wales Training and Development Framework will be utilised to upskill health and social care staff, and is currently undergoing a process of gap analysis for existing courses. There will be consultation with key groups, including service users and carers, as before, on the refreshed Dementia Three Year Plan. Furthermore, I will be happy to share the End of Three Year Report on the current Dementia Plan, which should include carer stories and day centre references.

**Independent Member (Local Authority) to Cardiff & Vale University Health Board**

I am pleased to advise colleagues that I have been invited by Vaughan Gething AM, Cabinet Secretary for Health, Well-being & Sport, to serve as an Independent Member (Local Authority) to Cardiff & Vale University Health Board.

**Councillor Susan Elsmore**  
**Cabinet Member (Health, Housing & Wellbeing)**  
23 November 2016

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## **EARLY YEARS, CHILDREN & FAMILIES STATEMENT**

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### **Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE)**

The “Not in our city, Not to Our Children” campaign continues to be pushed out across all social media platforms and is now supported by visual awareness raising posters which I’d encourage all councillors to display around their wards.

### **Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children (UASC)**

Due to the closure of the Camp in Calais and the displacement of unaccompanied children, the Council arranged accommodation for 11 children who arrived in the UK to be reunited with their families (Dublin scheme). 10 of these have now been reunited and 1 will remain in our care for the short term before he is placed in the care of a West Midlands authority. The council has also made a commitment to accommodate 2 children who fall under the Dubs Amendment. These children do not have any family links in the UK and are assessed to be more vulnerable. They become long term looked after children. The UK Government has agreed financial assistance to local authorities looking after UASC. The Council has been widely commended for the leadership and professionalism of its approach to this challenging issue.

### **Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH)**

The Cardiff Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub, also known as MASH, is made up of [police officers](#), social workers, nurses, and probation officers who will all operate from the capital’s Bay Police Station. The 45 staff within the MASH team are the first point of contact for their frontline colleagues who take thousands of referrals from professionals with safeguarding concerns. MASH will enhance information sharing between organisations and reduce delays in responding to concerns for safety and welfare. The launch of the MASH took place on 7<sup>th</sup> November at the Bay Police Station and was well attended by very senior stakeholders from across all agencies. Attendees were provided with a good insight into how the service operates and the effectiveness of the model was demonstrated. This is only the second MASH to be established in Wales and was delivered at pace over an impressively short timeframe thanks to the determined efforts of a highly professional group of staff and managers from across the safeguarding community and all agencies concerned.

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**Councillor Sue Lent**  
**Deputy Leader**  
**Cabinet Member for Early Years, Children & Families**  
23<sup>rd</sup> November 2016

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## **EDUCATION AND SKILLS**

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### **SOP Update**

This month I attended the official opening of the extension to Coed Glas Primary School in Llanishen. This is one of our three most recent primary school projects that have been funded by the 21<sup>st</sup> Century School Programme. I was delighted to unveil the plaque revealing the name the “Learning Cube” as chosen by the pupils. This £1m two storey extension provides excellent 21<sup>st</sup> century learning facilities for the children including 2 new classrooms, interactive breakout spaces and community meeting rooms.

Another project that is progressing at pace is the construction of the new Eastern High School in partnership with Cardiff & Vale College. On the 30<sup>th</sup> of September I attended the official ground breaking ceremony for this £26m Community Focussed school. Due for completion in December next year by Willmott Dixon, this superb new facility will not only be sustainable but provide the latest technology for teaching and learning in addition to fantastic sporting facilities, such as a 3G floodlit dual use pitch for both rugby and football, for use by the local community.

I am also pleased to update that the procurement for our next new secondary school, for the wards of Ely & Caerau, has commenced. The tender has been released at a value of £28m and we are expected returns by the 16<sup>th</sup> of December, with a view to appointing a main contractor during January 2017. On the 14<sup>th</sup> of November, at a community event attended by over 500 residents and pupils from the local community, the new Head teacher Martin Hulland announced the name of the new school. It will be called Cardiff West Community High School. We look forward to sharing the design of the new school with you early next year.

### **Best Breakfast Club in Wales 2016 – Oakfield Primary School, Cardiff**

Oakfield Primary School’s Breakfast Club, which regularly caters for 150 pupils each day, has been running for approximately 10 years. The club provides children (aged 4 – 11) with a healthy and calm start to the day and this means that the children go into their classrooms feeling happier with a superb attitude towards their learning.

To be selected as winners for the Best Breakfast Club in Wales award for the second year running is testament to significant work that all staff put in in order to ensure the club is such a worthwhile experience for every child. The children’s social skills and confidence have improved significantly as well as punctuality and attendance in general. It’s a huge credit to all those involved.

## **Erasmus/International Links**

Cardiff Council has received funding for a large number of Erasmus+ programmes this year and with help from our International School Linking department participation in European projects in Wales has risen by almost 400% this year.

The most recent study visit was to Finland where Emily Daly, International School Linking Officer, accompanied 21 headteachers and a challenge advisor to Kuopio to learn why Finland is so successful on the PISA scale. This was a week long programme and the group will follow this with visits to Italy, Holland and back to Finland by a range of senior, middle and aspiring leaders with the aim to inspire our school leaders to investigate innovative approaches to raising standards.

Last week Cardiff is welcomed directors of education, advisors, headteachers and teachers from 9 European countries and from China to participate in training and job-shadowing opportunities in our schools. The week of activities culminated in the Internationalising Education Conference in City Hall on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November during which 200 delegates from Wales and partner countries participated in 23 workshops and an international café to celebrate good practice in Wales, share ideas and forge new partnerships.

## **UK Youth Parliament – House of Commons Annual Sitting**

On Friday 11th November, two young people from Cardiff travelled to London to join 276 other Members of Youth Parliament from across the UK to take part in this year's UK Youth Parliament's annual sitting which involves Members of Youth Parliament debating on the green benches of the House of Commons. The sitting, chaired by the Speaker of the House of Commons, Rt Hon John Bercow MP, heralds the start of UK Parliament Week (14-20 November), an annual festival of events intended to connect communities across the UK with their democracy.

Elin Bold and Stephanie Ezeadum, Members of Youth Parliament for Cardiff debated a range of topical issues, including the need for a 'curriculum for life' and tackling racial and religious discrimination.

Elin gave a speech on her ideas for a 'Better, Kinder Democracy' and said after the event *'it was an unforgettable and invaluable experience and I felt immense pride representing the young people of Cardiff.'*

Stephanie Ezeadum MYP who spoke passionately on the issue of race and religious discrimination said *"The annual sitting was an amazing experience I feel blessed to have been a part of it"*

## **Show Racism the Red Card**

Sunil Patel from Show Racism the Red Card gave a presentation to head teachers to outline how the organisation can support schools to deal with all kinds of racist behaviour. Thirteen schools across the city have now been offered free workshops with the children and training for staff during the Spring term. If this pilot project is successful and evaluated well by the schools involved we will look to roll out training to a second phase of schools in the summer term. This work will add to the school support provided by the Cardiff Against Bullying team.

## **Cardiff Governors Association**

Governor Associations are key in supporting school governance. They provide a professional network for governors to share good practice and are a vehicle for discussion of the latest education developments in their Local Authority and the education sector nationally. Cardiff Governors Association (CGA) was revitalised in 2015 when a revised constitution was adopted, which included new financial arrangements for funding its activities and programme. It has organised a programme of seminars and training workshops for this academic year that compliments the existing training programme provided by the Local Authority.

On Saturday 12 November, the CGA held its Annual Training Conference and its theme was 'Schools and Business in Partnership'. Speakers included:

- Sarah Merry, Cabinet Member for Education
- Nick Batchelar, Director of Education
- Kath Keeley, Headteacher of The Hollies School
- Matt Appleby, Director, Business in the Community
- Lee Humphreys, Assistant Headteacher, Llanishen High School

Approximately 40 governors attended this interactive session from across the city. The event provided an opportunity for governors to network and to share and discuss good practice on partnership working.

## **WG Consultation on School Governance**

The Welsh Government has released a consultation on proposals to revise and consolidate the school governance regulatory framework in Wales. The proposals are to revise the legislative framework for school governance, to place a stronger focus on skilled governing bodies. This includes giving governing bodies the flexibility to make their own decisions about their constitution and membership to meet the particular needs of their schools.

The proposals will:

- Revise and update the school governance and staffing regulatory framework so that all maintained school governing bodies in Wales are best placed to ensure the effective governance and success of their schools
- Consolidate and simplify the current legislative framework by ensuring that there is a single, consistent approach to school governance across all maintained schools in Wales.

Governing Bodies and Headteachers have been notified of the consultation and asked to respond before the deadline date of 17 February 2017. It is proposed that the Local Authority and Governing Bodies will be given up to 18 months to implement the changes after the new regulations are made. Details of the consultation can be found here:

<https://consultations.gov.wales/consultations/consolidation-and-revision-school-governance-regulatory-framework-wales>

### **Newly Appointed LA Governors**

The Local Authority Governor Panel met on 8<sup>th</sup> November 2016 and recommended 21 candidates for appointment. 13 were new applications and the remaining 8 were re-appointments. A number of the appointments were made to schools that have had vacancies for a significant amount of time and to schools that are in the greatest need of improvement. The panel noted the high calibre of applications received at this meeting and in previous meetings.

The next panel meeting is scheduled for 12<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

**Councillor Sarah Merry**  
**Cabinet Member for Education & Skills**  
**23 November 2016**

**COUNCIL: 24 NOVEMBER 2016**

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## **ENVIRONMENT STATEMENT**

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### **1. Recycling & Treatment Services**

I am pleased to announce the launch of our new recycling bulky collection service that is free to all householders. This service will run in parallel with the current bulky service, but mean items such as household electrical appliances, wood, furniture, clothes and metals can all be collected for free, starting from next week. This is the beginning of our strategy to improve our reuse infrastructure in the City for household items. Our Contacts Centre will support and advise residents with the new scheme.

The changes to the seasonal Household Waste Recycling Centre opening and green waste collections have started. We listened to feedback from the public last year and pushed the start of the green waste collections back to accommodate more of the leaf fall season.

A new recycling campaign will be launched next month to remind residents of items that are suitable for the green bag scheme. As well as reminding people the importance of recycling, it's key we strive for high quality recycling too.

In addition, Quarter 2 performance was 61%, so we are on track for our statutory target of 60% this year.

Also, I am pleased to say there has been a further month of investment and development in our frontline staff.

A further 7 frontline posts are currently being created to support the areas of income growth and also remove our reliance on agency support.

The essential skills training is underway to support our operatives to understand their training needs, so we can build bespoke training development plans for them. All our household waste recycling staff are having dedicated training on supporting customers to use the sites better.

### **2. Parks**

There has been a good response to the Parks Customer Satisfaction survey which has been promoted through a variety of communication methods, with over 400 responses received to date. The survey opened on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2016 and closes on 31<sup>st</sup> November 2016. The questionnaire that is being utilised is based on an Association of Public Service Excellence model used by local

authorities, including the City of Cardiff Council who participate in APSE Parks & Horticultural Services Benchmarking Group.

I'm pleased to report an increase in visitor numbers for Bute Park at quarter two, when compared with last year. Total estimated visitor numbers of 733,195 were recorded for the period July – September an increase of 59,078 for the same period in 2015.

The Council's Parks Sports Turf Team have recently completed a programme of autumn / post season renovation of Bowling Greens and Cricket tables for the Vale of Glamorgan Council and Newport Council. The service is also in discussion with the Vale of Glamorgan and concerning other areas of trading. The Plant Production Nursery Team have undertaken a number of 'pop up' sales throughout public offices in October and November and this will be followed by Christmas sales next month at public offices, produce is also being sold at Education & Training Centre in Bute Park and Cardiff Castle.

The Llanishen Rotary Club have completed a project supported by the Council and to raise awareness of their campaign to eradicate polio, for which they have received a Nobel Peace Prize and by planting 2000 crocus bulbs in the Cherry Lawn at Roath Park. Also in Roath Park the Council has worked with the Women's Institute and to mark those lost in the conflicts by installing over 600 poppies in the flower bed overlooking Roath Park Lake.

### **3. Bereavement**

Bereavement Services have been shortlisted for another national award this month. APSE have identified the service as one of the *Most Improved* nationally based on the APSE performance data submissions. A verification exercise was undertaken by APSE on 16<sup>th</sup> November and the result of the awards will be announced in Blackpool on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2016.

Preparations are underway for the annual Christmas Memorial Service on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2016 at 2pm. This year's collection is in aid of Cruse Bereavement Care – Cardiff and Vale Area. The service will be led by Rev. Lionel Fanthorpe and is open for anyone to attend.

A Green Dragon Level 4 audit on 17<sup>th</sup> November 2016 will be carried out at Thornhill as part of the Corporate Green Dragon programme.

The final works are being completed to Cathays Chapels to complete the refurbishment of one of the chapels. A number of wedding ceremonies have already taken place this year and 4 are already booked for next. The buildings will be open to once again take funeral services from December after being out of commission for the last 40 years.

### **4. Cardiff Dogs Home**

We recently took part in the Staff Health & Wellbeing fayre at County Hall where some of our ex-residents and current dogs were available at the fayre to promote dog walking as a healthy activity that is mutually beneficial to both staff



and the dogs in Cardiff Dogs Home. The dogs were a huge hit and attracted lots of attention and contributed a lot to the fayre itself.

We were invited to attend County Hall again on Friday 18 November 2016 to take our dogs around the offices to visit staff and help raise money for the Lord Mayors fund in aid of Cancer Research. We also took some of our dogs around the Wharf on a walk with Councillor Hinchey and Paul Orders.

The Dogs Home is extremely busy with over 1000 volunteer hours and 2000 visitors per month. We have approximately 50 dogs coming in as strays each month, but are very successful in rehoming, with around 30 dogs being rehomed and 30 going back to their owner every month too.

## **5. Neighbourhood Services**

Neighbourhood Services Enforcement has progressed and to date almost 1000 Fixed Penalty Notices have been issued for Waste and Environmental offences. The team have also successfully prosecuted 3 citizens, Miss Sherri La'Veature, Miss Deanne Evans and Mr Kia Chen through the Courts for avoiding payment of fines.

I am pleased to confirm that the Cabinet Secretary for Environment & Rural Affairs has now agreed to consult on the introduction of FPNs for small-scale fly-tipping and the consultation period will be for 12 weeks (we hope to start the process before the Christmas period). The consultation is required under the affirmative procedure route and so this will also mean the draft regulations will be scrutinised by Assembly Committee(s) before being voted upon. If supported this will mean that Officers can issue £400 fixed penalties for fly tipping, saving a significant amount of time undertaking interviews and preparing for court.

The Inner Ward Blitzes are performing well and to date since the launch on 12th September 2016 the following has been achieved:

- 333 Streets deep cleansed.
- 46.3 Tonnes of detritus, leaves and litter removed.
- 2968 Gullies cleansed and washed through in the blitz locations.
- 410 out of 410 Pavement / Road defects completed in blitz locations that were programmed to be rectified following safety inspections.
- Over 15 volunteer events supported.

This blitz work is delivered only by the additional funded street cleansing (£166k to fund 6 officers) and gully cleansing resource (£100k gully cleansing team) and utilising resource in Neighbourhood Services with respect to enforcement, maintenance operations and grounds maintenance. It should be recognised that the majority of frontline Officers are continuing to deliver good work across the City in terms of delivering visible services and supporting the communities on behalf of Neighbourhood Services.

'Big Sweep' events have and will continue to take place supported by the Council. At one event over 100 residents came out in Riverside to sweep and bag up the leaves and sweep leaves into the road. The pavements are too narrow for the smaller mechanical sweepers to negotiate and the residents

swept all the frontages and roadside gutters. As a result the whole street was completely clear of leaves by the end of the morning.

One example of the work being supported through the 'Love Where You Live' initiative is a volunteer group on Oakfield Street that have so far collected 148 bags of leaves from their street over the past 4 weeks. The Council has assisted by providing the biodegradable bags and collecting the bags, but the residents around Oakfield St have been out every Saturday and during the week to clear the pavements.

A 'Love Where You Live' thank you event will take place Mansion House on Monday 5th December with the Lord Mayor. This is to allow the Council to give a personal thank you for the hard work that has been carried out by volunteer groups and individuals.

**Councillor Bob Derbyshire**  
**Cabinet Member (Environment)**  
**23 November 2016**

**CITY OF CARDIFF COUNCIL  
24 NOVEMBER 2016**

**NOTICE OF MOTION**

**MOTION 1**

Proposed by: Councillor Keith Jones

Seconded by: Councillor Lynda Thorne

This Labour Council:

1. Recognises the critical shortage of affordable housing across the UK. In Cardiff there are more than 8,000 people on the common housing waiting list for social housing, with over 4,000 in housing need.
2. Recognises that the sale of council housing has exacerbated the problem of addressing housing need.
3. Recognises that Labour both in Cardiff and Welsh Government have introduced a number of schemes, such as the reduction of the discount available, which has slowed down the number of 'right to buys'.
4. Welcomes the Welsh Government's policy of ending the sale of social housing in Wales, and the Council's decision to consult on the suspension of the right to buy across Cardiff.
5. Recognises that the Council are embarking on its second Housing Partnership Programme to build more council and affordable homes in Cardiff.
6. Calls upon the Cabinet to investigate other innovative approaches, both permanent and temporary, to increase the availability of affordable housing in Cardiff.

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**CITY & COUNTY OF CARDIFF  
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**24 NOVEMBER 2016**

**NOTICE OF MOTION**

**MOTION 1 - AMENDMENT 1**

Proposed by: Councillor David Walker

Seconded by: Councillor Gavin Hill- John

The following amendments be made to the motion

First line: Delete the word Labour

Point 1: Deletion of the words '*across the UK*' to be replaced by '*in Wales and Cardiff.*'

Point 2: Deletion of Point 2 and replace with

2. *'Notes that this Labour Council has consistently failed to build or provide an adequate number of council houses and to make an impact in meeting growing housing demand. It needs to make a 'step change' in this area after years of underperformance.'*

Point 3: Deletion of Point 3 and replace with '*Notes the wide range of government schemes and support available to those seeking to rent or buy.*'

Point 4: Deletion of the word '*Welcomes*' and replace with '*Regrets*'.

Point 4: The addition of the following sentence: '*These measures merely serve to provide a smokescreen to cover failure at WG and Council level to address Welsh housing supply problems, including the provision of council housing*'.

Point 5: the deletion of the word '*Recognises*' and replace with '*Notes*'.

Point 5: after the word Council insert '*is belatedly*'.

Point 5; the addition of the following sentence: - '*It is now also clear that the administration failed to honour its 2012 manifesto pledge to increase the supply of affordable housing and Council houses and to provide new impetus to the development of cooperative and mutual models of housing*'.

The addition of a new Point 6:

- '6. *Notes that the Council recognises its own failure to return an adequate level of unoccupied homes to the city's housing stock. This is a waste of existing unused resources requiring effort rather than cost*'.

Original Point 6 now Point 7: the addition of the following sentence: - *'This should include assessment of new construction technology developed in Europe and elsewhere where reports of high quality, rapidly built, low cost housing units could revolutionise and accelerate provision for those on waiting lists'*.

The addition of a Point 8: -

- '8. Recognises and supports the spirit of aspiration which many Council residents possess to improve their housing provision whether in the private or public sector'.*

The addition of a Point 9:

- '9. Calls upon the Cabinet to ensure that a proportion of affordable homes built in new developments are available to first time buyers to purchase.*
- It should also encourage the building of smaller units for home owners wishing to downsize, so freeing up larger homes for family occupation'.*

The substantive motion would read:

This Council:

1. Recognises the critical shortage of affordable housing in Wales and Cardiff. In Cardiff there are more than 8,000 people on the common housing waiting list for social housing, with over 4,000 in housing need.
2. Notes that this Labour Council has consistently failed to build or provide an adequate number of council houses and to make an impact in meeting growing housing demand. It needs to make a 'step change' in this area after years of underperformance.
3. Notes the wide range of government schemes and support available to those seeking to rent or buy.
4. Regrets the Welsh Government's policy of ending the sale of social housing in Wales, and the Council's decision to consult on the suspension of the right to buy across Cardiff. These measures merely serve to provide a smokescreen to cover failure at WG and Council level to address Welsh housing supply problems, including the provision of council housing.
5. Notes that the Council is belatedly embarking on its second Housing Partnership Programme to build more council and affordable homes in Cardiff. It is now also clear that the administration failed to honour its 2012 manifesto pledge to increase the supply of affordable housing and council houses and to provide new impetus to the development of cooperative and mutual models of housing.
6. Notes that the Council recognises its own failure to return an adequate level of unoccupied homes to the city's housing stock. This is a waste of existing unused resources requiring effort rather than cost.

7. Calls upon the Cabinet to investigate other innovative approaches, both permanent and temporary, to increase the availability of affordable housing in Cardiff. This should include assessment of new construction technology developed in Europe and elsewhere where reports of high quality, rapidly built, low cost housing units could revolutionise and accelerate provision for those on waiting lists.
8. Recognises and supports the spirit of aspiration which many Council residents possess to improve their housing provision whether in the private or public sector.
9. Calls upon the Cabinet to ensure that a proportion of affordable homes built in new developments are available to first time buyers to purchase. It should also encourage the building of smaller units for home owners wishing to downsize, so freeing up larger homes for family occupation.

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**MOTION 1 AMENDMENT 2**

Proposed by Cllr Joe Carter

Seconded by Cllr Joe Boyle

Delete 'Labour' in first line

Delete paragraph 2, 3 and 4 and replace with:

'Recognises that the sale of council housing in the 1980s and 1990s at huge discounts has exacerbated the current housing problem'

'Recognises that the Welsh Government successfully reduced the discount available to people seeking to buy their social housing so that councils recover the vast majority of the value of the property.'

Add an additional paragraph at the end of the motion:

'Calls upon the Welsh Government to end the remaining discount for Right to Buy so council's recover 100% of the property sold.'

The substantive motion would read:

This Council:

1. Recognises the critical shortage of affordable housing across the UK. In Cardiff there are more than 8,000 people on the common housing waiting list for social housing, with over 4,000 in housing need.
2. Recognises that the sale of council housing in the 1980s and 1990s at huge discounts has exacerbated the current housing problem
3. Recognises that the Welsh Government successfully reduced the discount available to people seeking to buy their social housing so that councils recover the vast majority of the value of the property.
4. Recognises that the Council are embarking on its second Housing Partnership Programme to build more council and affordable homes in Cardiff.
5. Calls upon the Cabinet to investigate other innovative approaches, both permanent and temporary, to increase the availability of affordable housing in Cardiff.

6. Calls upon the Welsh Government to end the remaining discount for Right to Buy so council's recover 100% of the property sold.

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**24 NOVEMBER 2016**

**NOTICE OF MOTION**

**MOTION 1 – AMENDMENT 3**

Proposed by: Councillor Gretta Marshall

Seconded by: Councillor Neil McEvoy

The following amendments be made to the motion: -

First line: Delete the word Labour

Point 1: Change *recognises* to *acknowledges*

Point 2: After '*addressing*' insert: '*those in desperate*'

Point 2: After '*need*' insert the following: '*by successive Conservative & Labour Governments*'.

Delete Points 3, 4 & 5

Add new Point 3:

3. *Acknowledges that the abject failure of the UK and Welsh Governments' to allow Councils to use their Capital receipts from the sale of Council house stock for new Council house building has exacerbated the issue.*

Add new Point 4:

4. *Calls upon the Cabinet to work with the WG and other Welsh Councils to investigate innovative approaches to resolving the shortage of affordable housing on a regional planning basis as advocated by Plaid Cymru.*

Add new Point 5:

5. *Calls upon the Cabinet to work with the WG & other Welsh Councils to firstly bring empty properties back into use, ensure a system of controlled rents, in both the public and private sectors, in order to keep affordable rents affordable, ensure all tenancies are secured tenancies and bring in a policy of no evictions for those penalised by the iniquitous bedroom tax.*

The substantive motion would read:

This Council

1. Acknowledges the critical shortage of affordable housing across the UK. In Cardiff there are more than 8,000 people on the common housing waiting list for social housing, with over 4,000 in housing need.
2. Recognises that the sale of council housing has exacerbated the problem of addressing those in desperate housing need by successive Conservative & Labour Governments.
3. Acknowledges that the abject failure of the UK and Welsh Governments' to allow Councils to use their Capital receipts from the sale of Council house stock for new Council house building has exacerbated the issue.
4. Calls upon the Cabinet to work with the WG and other Welsh Councils to investigate innovative approaches to resolving the shortage of affordable housing on a regional planning basis as advocated by Plaid Cymru.
5. Calls upon the Cabinet to work with the WG & other Welsh Councils to firstly bring empty properties back into use, ensure a system of controlled rents, in both the public and private sectors, in order to keep affordable rents affordable, ensure all tenancies are secured tenancies and bring in a policy of no evictions for those penalised by the iniquitous bedroom tax.
6. Calls upon the Cabinet to investigate other innovative approaches, both permanent and temporary, to increase the availability of affordable housing in Cardiff.

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**24 NOVEMBER 2016**

**NOTICE OF MOTION**

**MOTION 2**

Proposed by: Councillor Neil McEvoy

Seconded by: Councillor Tariq Awan

This Council agrees the following:

1. to welcome the undertaking given not to lease the former PDSA building in Butetown for it to become a drug rehabilitation centre.
2. that given the widespread problem of discarded, dirty needles in some parts of the City, extra specialist cleansing resources will be allocated to such areas in order to solve the problem.
3. that in order to alleviate the problem of the injection of drugs in public places in Cardiff, the Council will support a pilot scheme of medically supervised, safe injection rooms, when the agreement of partner agencies and authorities is reached.

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**NOTICE OF MOTION**

**MOTION 2 – AMENDMENT 1**

Proposed by: Councillor Susan Elsmore

Seconded by: Councillor Ali Ahmed

The following amendments be made to the motion.

Point 1: first line after *'given'* insert the words *'by partners'*

Point 1: delete all words after Butetown and insert: - *'for substance misuse advice, information and counselling services, with a specific focus on alcohol'*

Point 2: delete all up to *'Specialist and insert: 'As now, specialist cleansing resources will be allocated to clear localities of discarded needles, and this will continue'*

Point 3: delete all and replace with

3. *'This Council supports all efforts of partners, including Public Health Wales, the Area Planning Board, South Wales Police and third sector organisations, to reduce harm and improve outcomes for service users and residents'*

The substantive motion would read:

This Council agrees the following:

1. To welcome the undertaking given by partners not to lease the former PDSA building in Butetown for substance misuse advice, information and counselling services, with a specific focus on alcohol.
2. As now, specialist cleansing resources will be allocated to clear localities of discarded needles, and this will continue.
3. This Council supports all efforts of partners, including Public Health Wales, the Area Planning Board, South Wales Police and third sector organisations, to reduce harm and improve outcomes for service users and residents.

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**COUNCIL: 24 NOVEMBER 2016**

**ORAL QUESTIONS**

1	<p><b><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR PATEL (TRANSPORT, PLANNING &amp; SUSTAINABILITY PORTFOLIO)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR CARTER</u></b></p> <p>Does the cabinet member expect to be able to deliver the limited list of highway repairs he announced in September by the end of March, in light of work being stopped for 2 months due to the weather?</p>
2	<p><b><u>QUESTION TO THE LEADER (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT &amp; PARTNERSHIPS PORTFOLIO)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR WALKER</u></b></p> <p>Due to lack of capacity, many of the early Rhymney Valley trains bringing commuters into Cardiff cannot accommodate passengers wishing to board trains. This problem is noted at Lisvane and Thornhill Station and does not improve as the full trains proceed into Cardiff. There is the additional problem that car parking at these stations is at full capacity.</p> <p>I understand that Arriva is waiting for the roll out of the Metro system before investing in rolling stock. Will the Leader explain what steps he can take personally and working with Welsh Government to resolve the rolling stock and car parking under capacity of Arriva Trains and Network Rail?</p>
3	<p><b><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR PATEL (TRANSPORT, PLANNING &amp; SUSTAINABILITY PORTFOLIO)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR MARSHALL</u></b></p> <p>Do you agree that the road network in Cardiff is now at critical capacity and how are you addressing this?</p>

4	<p><b><u>QUESTION TO THE LEADER (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT &amp; PARTNERSHIPS PORTFOLIO)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR KEITH JONES</u></b></p> <p>Can the Leader provide an update on the redevelopment of Llanrumney Hall?</p>
5	<p><b><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR MERRY (EDUCATION PORTFOLIO)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR BOYLE</u></b></p> <p>The transport assessment for the proposed new Howardian Primary School claims “there is no reason to suggest that the proposal would give rise to road safety issues.” Does the cabinet member really believe there is <i>no</i> reason?</p>
6	<p><b><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR BRADBURY (COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, CO-OPERATIVES &amp; SOCIAL ENTERPRISE PORTFOLIO)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR ROBSON</u></b></p> <p>What attempts were made to get a Christmas Tree sponsored for this Christmas?</p>
7	<p><b><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR PATEL (TRANSPORT, PLANNING &amp; SUSTAINABILITY PORTFOLIO)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>Could the Cabinet Member provide an update on the former recycling centre site at Waungron Rd?</p>
8	<p><b><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DERBYSHIRE (ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McGARRY</u></b></p> <p>Can the Cabinet Member responsible give an update on the amount of rubbish that has been cleared during the latest cleaning blitz in Plasnewydd?</p>

9	<p><b><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR ELSMORE (HEALTH, HOUSING AND WELLBEING PORTFOLIO)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR WOODMAN</u></b></p> <p>Will the Cabinet member advise if she is content with current quality checks following repairs to council owned properties, and will such quality checks be increased once the commissioning for Housing Repairs and Maintenance and Disabled Adaptations phase one is up and running as per Cabinet report 21/11/16?</p>
10	<p><b><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR BRADBURY (COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, CO-OPERATIVES &amp; SOCIAL ENTERPRISE PORTFOLIO)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM</u></b></p> <p>Will the council commit to undertake the essential work required to fix the regular flooding problems at the Thornhill football pitches on Glenmount Way, that frequent render the pitches unusable for scheduled football matches and other recreational users?</p>
11	<p><b><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR BRADBURY (COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, CO-OPERATIVES &amp; SOCIAL ENTERPRISE PORTFOLIO)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>How much money was invested in Cardiff's leisure centres from 3rd May 2008 to 3rd May 2016?</p>
12	<p><b><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR BRADBURY (COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, CO-OPERATIVES &amp; SOCIAL ENTERPRISE PORTFOLIO)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR MITCHELL</u></b></p> <p>Can the Cabinet Member confirm that there was never any consideration to close Channel View leisure centre?</p>

13	<p><b><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DE'ATH (SKILLS, SAFETY AND ENGAGEMENT PORTFOLIO)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR SANDERS</u></b></p> <p>Will the cabinet member set out the details for Operation Mistletoe this year including its funding streams and launch date?</p>
14	<p><b><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR PATEL (TRANSPORT, PLANNING &amp; SUSTAINABILITY PORTFOLIO)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR BOYLE</u></b></p> <p>In the forthcoming cold winter months, will the council review the possibility of gritting the Taff Trail in the interests of cycle safety?</p>
15	<p><b><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR HINCHEY (CORPORATE SERVICES AND PERFORMANCE PORTFOLIO)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR HUDSON</u></b></p> <p>Can you explain why Cardiff Council spent the most of all Welsh councils on credit cards at £5.4m between 2015/16 in comparison to £779k it spent 4 years earlier?</p>
16	<p><b><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR PATEL (TRANSPORT, PLANNING &amp; SUSTAINABILITY PORTFOLIO)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR McEVOY</u></b></p> <p>What is the total cost of a crossing person outside a school, ensuring the safety of children crossing the road?</p>
17	<p><b><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR PATEL (TRANSPORT, PLANNING &amp; SUSTAINABILITY PORTFOLIO)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR RICHARD COOK</u></b></p> <p>When will the cycling strategy be ready for consultation with interested groups and members of the public?</p>

18	<p><b><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DERBYSHIRE (ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR CLARK</u></b></p> <p>Please could you state how many people are signed up to the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) new tidy text service on 60163 and what are the initial set up and annual costs of running the scheme for the Council;</li> <li>(ii) new binfo Cardiff service and what are the initial set up and annual costs of running the scheme for the Council.</li> </ul>
19	<p><b><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR DE'ATH (SKILLS, SAFETY AND ENGAGEMENT PORTFOLIO)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM THOMAS</u></b></p> <p>The Council have a Charter with all their hard working Community Councils. I attend two of these and every month they both complain bitterly about the lack of communication from the Council which renders the Community Charter meaningless. What steps are taken to ensure that our officers are updated and fully aware of the Charter?</p>
20	<p><b><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR ELSMORE (HEALTH, HOUSING AND WELLBEING PORTFOLIO)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR RICHARD COOK</u></b></p> <p>The Wallich Rough Sleepers Intervention Team have reported a 29% increase in the third quarter of 2016 compared to the third quarter of 2015. There are now 25-36 people sleeping rough in Cardiff every night. What are the reasons for the increase and what are the Council doing to tackle this increasing problem?</p>
21	<p><b><u>QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR MERRY (EDUCATION PORTFOLIO)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR CHAUNDY</u></b></p> <p>Is there a 'list' of school buildings prioritised by criteria of specific condition or 'suitability as school buildings' and have those considered to be the worst Primary Schools building stock on the 'list' been brought to the attention of councillors?</p>

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**QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNCILLOR MERRY  
(EDUCATION PORTFOLIO)**

**QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR STUBBS**

Will the Cabinet member make a statement on the measures that the Council is taking to improve educational standards across the city?