

MINUTES

CABINET MEETING: 10 MARCH 2016

Cabinet Members Present: Councillor Phil Bale (Chair)
Councillor Sue Lent
Councillor Peter Bradbury
Councillor Dan De'Ath
Councillor Bob Derbyshire
Councillor Graham Hinchey
Councillor Susan Elsmore
Councillor Sarah Merry
Councillor Ramesh Patel

Observers: Councillor Dianne Rees
Councillor Neil McEvoy
Councillor Judith Woodman

Officers: Paul Orders, Chief Executive
Christine Salter, Section 151 Officer
Marie Rosenthal, Monitoring Officer
Claire Deguara, Cabinet Office

103 MINUTES OF THE CABINET MEETING HELD ON 18 FEBRUARY 2016

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the Cabinet meeting of 21 January 2016 be approved.

104 WALES AUDIT OFFICE - CORPORATE ASSESSMENT FOLLOW ON

The Cabinet received the Wales Audit office Corporate Assessment Follow On report of the City of Cardiff Council. The report contained 14 proposals relating to leadership & management, governance, performance reporting, and corporate enablers. The statutory recommendation stated that the Council must ensure that the proposals for improvement deliver improved outcomes within the next 12 months.

It was stated that significant progress had been made to date and a further report containing the proposed Statement of Action will follow to the Cabinet meeting on 21 March 2016.

Chris Pugh and Alan Norris, Wales Audit Office were present during consideration of this item to address comments raised by Members.

RESOLVED: that

1. the Wales Audit Office Corporate Assessment Follow On report be received; and
2. a further report containing a proposed statement of action and timetable be considered at the next meeting of the Cabinet on 21 March 2016.

105 LLANISHEN COMMUNITY HUB

Cabinet considered a report outlining proposals to commence development of a community hub in Llanishen. At its meeting in September 2014 Cabinet agreed a report on the overall approach to future hub provision. Public consultation on the Llanishen hub proposals took place in November / December where 93% of respondents expressed agreement to the proposals.

RESOLVED: that

1. the development of a community hub at Llanishen proceed.
2. authority be delegated to the Director of Communities, Housing and Customer Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Community Development, Co-operatives and Social Enterprise to undertake all matters relating to procurement, construction and implementation of the project, as well as all required permissions and consents, in consultation with the Corporate Director Resources as appropriate.

106 NON-DOMESTIC RATES - WRITE OFFS

Appendices A and B to this report are exempt from publication by virtue of paragraph 14 of Part 4 and paragraph 21 of Part 5 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972

During discussion on this item a question was raised related to yellow pages and therefore the press and public were excluded from the meeting.

Cabinet considered a report requesting authorisation to write off debts amounting to £699,136.70. The report outlined action taken in respect of attempts to recover this debt.

RESOLVED: that the write off of debts amounting to £699,136.70 as outlined in Appendix A be authorised.

107 PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2016/17.

The Council has a statutory requirement under the Localism Act 2011 to prepare a pay policy statement annual. Cabinet therefore considered the Pay Policy for 2016/17 prior to consideration at Council. The policy statement provided a framework to ensure that employees are rewarded fairly and objectively without discrimination.

RESOLVED: that the attached Pay Policy Statement 2016/17 (Appendix 1) be approved for consideration by Council on 24 March 2016.

108 SCHOOL ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS 2017/2018

In accordance with Section 89 of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 and the Education (Determination of Admission Arrangements) (Wales) Regulations 2006 the Council is required to review the School Admission Policy annually. Cabinet therefore considered the School Admissions Arrangements Policy for 2017/18. The policy had been subject to consultation with headteachers, governing bodies, diocesan directors, neighbouring local education authorities and other interested bodies.

RESOLVED: that it be noted the draft School Admissions Arrangements 2017/18 have been determined and the Admission Policy 2017/18 be agreed.

109 SCHOOL ORGANISATION PROPOSALS: THE PROVISION OF ADDITIONAL ENGLISH-MEDIUM AND WELSH-MEDIUM PRIMARY SCHOOL PROVISION IN AND AROUND THE BUTETOWN, CANTON, GRANGETOWN AND RIVERSIDE AREAS (THE 'FOUR WARDS')

The Cabinet considered a report outlining objections received to statutory notices regarding the provision of additional English-medium and Welsh-medium primary school provision in and around the Butetown, Canton, Grangetown and Riverside areas. The objections received and the Council's responses were outlined within the report.

RESOLVED: that

1. the proposals as set out in paragraph 1 without modification be approved.
2. officers be authorised to take the appropriate actions to implement the proposals as set out in paragraph 1.
3. Officers be authorised to publish a summary of the statutory objections and the Authority's response to those objections (referred to as the "Objection Report") within 7 days of the determination of the proposal.
4. Officers be authorised to publish the decision within 7 days of determination of the proposal.
5. Approval be delegated, only following the respective grant approvals by Welsh Government, of any necessary contracts to the Director of Education and Lifelong Learning in consultation with the Corporate Director Resources & Section 151 Officer, Director of Legal Services and the Cabinet Members for Corporate Services & Performance and Education & Skills.
6. the approval of the Governing Body of St Mary the Virgin Church in Wales Primary School of the proposal to increase the capacity of the school from 1FE to 2FE with nursery places from September 2017 be noted.

110 SCHOOL ORGANISATION PROPOSALS: PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW HIGH SCHOOL IN THE WEST TO REPLACE GLYN DERW HIGH SCHOOL AND MICHAELSTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

The Cabinet received a report outlining objections received to statutory notices proposing the establishment of a new high school in the west to replace Glyn Derw High School and Michaelston Community College. Objections received and the Council's responses were detailed within the report.

RESOLVED: that

7. the proposals as set out in paragraph 1 without modification be approved.
8. officers be authorised to take the appropriate actions to implement the proposals as set out in paragraph 1.
9. officers be authorised to publish a summary of the statutory objections and the Authority's response to those objections (referred to as the "Objection Report") within 7 days of the determination of the proposal;
10. officers be authorised to publish the decision within 7 days of determination of the proposal.
11. approval be delegated, only following the respective grant approvals by Welsh Government, of any necessary contracts to the Director of Education and Lifelong Learning in consultation with the Corporate Director Resources & Section 151 Officer, Director of Legal Services and the Cabinet Members for Corporate Services & Performance and Education & Skills.

111 SCHOOL ORGANISATION PROPOSALS: THE PROVISION OF WELSH-MEDIUM AND ENGLISH-MEDIUM PRIMARY SCHOOL PLACES IN AND AROUND LLANDAFF NORTH.

The Cabinet received a report outlining responses received to the statutory notices regarding provision of Welsh-medium and English-medium primary school places in and around Llandaff North. Following the publishing of the statutory notices on 5 January 2016 no objections were received following.

RESOLVED: that

12. the proposals as set out in paragraph 1 without modification be approved.
13. Officers be authorised to take the appropriate actions to implement the proposals as set out in paragraph 1.
14. Officers be authorised to publish the decision within 7 days of determination of the proposal.
15. approval be delegated, only following the respective grant approvals by Welsh Government, of any necessary contracts to the Director of Education and Lifelong Learning in consultation with the Corporate Director Resources &

Section 151 Officer, Director of Legal Services and the Cabinet Members for Corporate Services & Performance and Education & Skills.

112 HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT (HRA) BUSINESS PLAN

RESOLVED: that

- (1) the HRA Business Plan 2016-2017 be approved.
- (2) it be noted that the Plan will be submitted to the Welsh Government.

113 THE CITY OF CARDIFF COUNCIL'S STRATEGIC EQUALITY PLAN 2016-2020

The Cabinet considered the Council's Strategic Equality Plan 2016-2020. The Plan sets out how the Council will meet the requirements of the Equality Act 2010 in order to ensure the rights of individuals and advance equality of opportunity for all.

RESOLVED: that the following documents be approved for publication;

- 1) The City of Cardiff Council's Draft Strategic Equality Plan 2016 – 2020
- 2) The Annual Review for 2014/15 of "*Everyone Matters*" - The City of Cardiff Council's Strategic Equality Plan 2012 – 2016
- 3) The City of Cardiff Council's updated Ageing Well Delivery Plan for 2016/17.