

PROSIECT GWYRDD JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING

21 June 2022, 11.00 am

LOCATION: Remote Meeting

Present:

Elected Members:

Councillor Caro Wild, Cardiff (Chair)

Councillor Chris Weaver, Cardiff

Councillor Jamie Pritchard, Caerphilly

Councillor Chris Morgan, Caerphilly

Councillor Rachel Garrick, Monmouthshire

Councillor Catrin Maby, Monmouthshire

Councillor Yvonne Forsey, Newport

Councillor Mark Wilson, Vale of Glamorgan

Councillor Ruba Sivagnanam, Vale of Glamorgan

Officers:

Matt Wakelam

Sian Humphries

Andrew Williamson

Colin Smith

Marc Falconer

Carol Touhig

Hayley Jones

Laura Carter

Anna Rees

Julie Baker

Marcus Lloyd

Lucy Paterson

Silvia Gonzalez-Lopez

Andrea Redmond

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No	Item
1	<p>Appointment of Chair (NB under Joint Working Agreement 2 (JWA2), chair is from Host Authority - Joint Committee to confirm appointment)</p> <p>Noted.</p>
2	<p>Apologies for Absence</p> <p>None received.</p>
3	<p>Declarations of Interest</p> <p>None received.</p>
4	<p>Membership of Joint Committee - to note the 2 elected members representatives from each Authority.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
5	<p>To adopt updated Joint Committee Procedure Rules.</p> <p>Members were referred to a small typographical error that related to JWA1 rather than JWA2.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
6	<p>Terms of Reference - to note the terms of reference as set out in Schedule 2 of the JWA2</p> <p>Noted.</p>
7	<p>Minutes</p> <p>The Minutes of Joint Committee Held on 2nd December 2021, were agreed as a correct record.</p>
8	<p>Matters Arising</p> <p>None.</p>
9	<p>JC Update Report and Briefing</p> <p>Members were provided with a presentation providing information on the Joint Committee, after which the Chairperson invited questions and comments.</p> <p>Members considered it was a very interesting presentation and asked for further information on the progress of the heat network. Officers advised that the heat network was going into the ground in Cardiff currently. Funding had been provided by key Public and Private Sector partners, so work was underway. Members were interested in seeing this and Officers offered them a visit combined with a visit to Viridor.</p>

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	<p>Members asked about the benefits of the heat network scheme, such as who would get the benefit, how many homes, the location it expands to etc. Officers explained that it gets fed into the distribution network, it is dispersed through the National Grid and displaces the carbon/coal/gas generated.</p> <p>Officers outlined the Update Report to Members and the Chairperson invited questions and comments.</p> <p>Members sought further information on the composition of the panel that agrees the Community Grants. Members were advised that the panel consists of Andrew Williamson, a representative from Viridor, Cllr Bob Derbyshire as a representative from Cardiff and 2 other community representatives. Members were concerned that there was representative from Cardiff only and considered it may be more prudent to have representatives from more of the Local Authority partners. Officers agreed to take this away and look more at the make up and see what changes need to be made.</p> <p>Members advised that there was an issue with the link for the Community Grants application and considered this may have had an impact on the number of applications received. It was noted that there were 12 applications from Cardiff and 2 from Caerphilly only. Officers agreed that the majority of bids do come from Cardiff, but that they try to encourage bids at each Joint Committee Meeting. Officers assured Members that no bids had been rejected over any Cardiff bid and they were happy to work to improve transparency and to promote the fund more. Members were also advised that the link was now working.</p> <p>Members asked if the Community Benefit Fund replaced the old landfill tax. Officers explained it did not, the old landfill tax was a Government enforced scheme. This is specific to Viridor and was built into the contract. The Chairperson agreed to have an update on this at the next meeting.</p> <p>RESOLVED: to note the contents of the report.</p>	
10	<p>Unaudited Annual Financial Return for Year Ended 31 March 2022</p> <p>Members were provided with an outline of the report on the Unaudited Annual Financial Return for year ended 31 March 2022.</p> <p>There were no questions on the report.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="408 300 1458 405">i. That the Joint Committee noted the outturn position for the financial year ended 31st March 2022 and approved the submission of the report and return to the Joint Committee. <li data-bbox="408 450 1458 555">ii. The Joint Committee authorised the Chair to sign the Annual Return on behalf of the Joint Committee, and its subsequent submission to Audit Wales to commence the 2021/22 audit. 	
11	<p data-bbox="336 598 746 633">Date of next meeting - TBC</p> <p data-bbox="336 674 1369 770">Members were advised that the next meeting would be held in late November/early December and they would be advised of the date in due course.</p>	

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