

## CORRESPONDENCE FOLLOWING THE COMMITTEE MEETING

Committee	JOINT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
Date and Time of Meeting	WEDNESDAY, 26 AUGUST 2015, 4.30 PM
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1<sup>st</sup> September 2015

Councillor Bob Derbyshire,
Cabinet Member for the Environment,
County Hall,
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Dear Councillor Derbyshire,

<u>Joint Environmental and Policy Review & Performance Scrutiny</u>

<u>Committee – Infrastructure Services – Alternative Delivery Models – Consideration of Called – In Cabinet Decision CAB/15/24 – 26<sup>th</sup> August 2015</u>

On behalf of the Environmental Scrutiny Committee and Policy Review & Performance Scrutiny Committee I would like to thank you and the officers for attending the Committee meeting on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2015. The meeting considered 'Infrastructure Services – Alternative Delivery Models – Consideration of Called – In Cabinet Decision CAB/15/24'.

As you will be aware at the end of the meeting the Committee were asked to vote on whether or not to refer the decision back to Cabinet. I can confirm that having considered the evidence Members voted unanimously not to refer the matter back to Cabinet and, therefore, the decision taken by Cabinet on the 16<sup>th</sup> July 2015 now stands.

In addition to supporting the Cabinet decision Members stressed the importance of ensuring that detailed consultation and engagement with staff and trade unions is undertaken on a regular basis during the development of the Full Business Case. This will help ensure that all parties remain in an informed position during this very important process. We look forward to pre decision scrutiny of the Full Business Case proposals in early 2016.

I would be grateful if you would consider the above comments and provide a response to the requests made in this letter.

## Regards,

Councillor Nigel Howells

Chairperson Policy Review & Performance Scrutiny Committee

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13th October 2015

Councillor Nigel Howells Cardiff County Council Atlantic Wharf Cardiff **CF10 4UW** 

Annwyl / Dear Nigel

Joint Environment And Policy Review And Performance Scrutiny Committee Infrastructure Services Alternative Delivery Models Consideration Of Called In Cabinet Decision Cab/15/24 26 August 2015

Thank you for your letter dated 1st September 2015 which was received on 7th October 2015.

I was pleased that at the Call-in meeting of 26th August 2015 that the Committee Members voted unanimously not to refer the matter back to Cabinet and, therefore, the decision taken by Cabinet on the 16th July 2015 now stands.

Your letter stressed the importance of ensuring that detailed consultation and engagement with staff and trade unions is undertaken on a regular basis during the development of the Full Business Case. As previously advised, at the outset of the project, the engagement of key stakeholders, including Members, Unions, staff and Cardiff residents, was identified as an important factor in the ultimate success of the project. A Stakeholder Engagement Plan was therefore developed and implemented at an early stage and this has been reviewed and updated on a regular basis as the project has progressed. Details of the engagement with Unions and Staff during the Outline Business Case phase were shared at the Call-in Meeting.

A Stakeholder Engagement Strategy and Plan have now been prepared for the Full Business Case phase of the project. In preparing the Strategy, a stakeholder mapping exercise was undertaken to identify the 'audiences' that need to be engaged. Monthly meeting with the Union Branch Secretaries have been set up and initial meetings with the Unions have already taken place. Employee engagement will be critical to the success of the project and it is intended to establish 'Project Champions' from the workforce, ensuring that employees are represented from each service area are involved.

I trust this is of assistance. However, if you have any queries, please let me know.

Yn gwyir Yours sincerely

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