

PROSIECT GWYRDD JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING

26 November 2019, 10.30 am

LOCATION: Newport City Council, Civic Offices, Newport

Present:

Elected Members:

Councillor Michael Michael, Cardiff Council (Chair)

Councillor Chris Weaver, Cardiff Council

Councillor Nigel George, Caerphilly County Borough Council

Councillor Phil Murphy, Monmouthshire County Council

Councillor Jane Pratt, Monmouthshire County Council

Councillor Roger Jeavons, Newport City Council

Councillor Ray Truman, Newport City Council

Councillor Peter G King, Vale of Glamorgan Council

Officers:

Sian Humphries, Cardiff Council

Andrew Williamson, Prosiect Gwyrdd

Marc Falconer, Cardiff Council

Robert Hartshorn, Caerphilly County Borough Council

Gary Jones, Cardiff Council

Silvia Gonzalez Lopez, Newport County Council

Colin Smith, Vale of Glamorgan

Matt Wakelam, Cardiff Council

Partnership of Councils



Supporting partner



No	Item
9	Apologies for Absence Apologies were received from Councillor E Williams (Vale of Glamorgan).
10	Declarations of Interest There were no declarations of interest.
11	Minutes That the minutes of the meeting held on 25 June 2019 be recorded as a true and accurate record subject to the replacement of the word “replay” to read “repay” in paragraph 7 in item 5.
12	Matters arising The Chairperson requested that further investigations be undertaken to hold these meetings using video conferencing or remote attendance facilities. It was acknowledged that the Committee Members and supporting officers took a disproportionate amount of time traveling to, and finding suitable parking for these succinct Joint Committee meetings. The legal officers would investigate further to see if this was possible and would come back to Members.
13	Update Report The Officers provided an update report on the Prosiect Gwyrdd Contract. It was stated that between April and September 2019 a total of 78,794 tonnes of residual waste was sent to the Prosiect Gwyrdd Contract. From the waste delivered the following levels of recycling had been achieved; 14,063 tonnes of the Incinerator Bottom Ash, 637 tonnes of the Air Pollution Control Residue, 2,951 tonnes of metals. During this period: Viridor achieved all of the five key targets, the R1 figures reported by Trident Park in its stage 3 report to Natural Resources Wales was better than the minimum required standard. The Prosiect Gwyrdd Community benefit fund Panel had awarded £32,720 for 22 community initiatives based within the project area. The Joint Committee was provided with a breakdown of the payments that had been awarded. The Joint Committee clarified some of the information in the report and welcomed the progress that had been made during this financial year. RESOLVED: That the report be noted.
14	2019/20 Projected Outturn Month 7 Monitoring Position and 2020/21 Budget The S151 Officer provided a report to the Joint Committee which included an update of the financial monitoring position and projected outturn Budget based on the Month 7 position for the 2019/20 financial year. The report enabled the Joint Committee to: consider the proposed 2020-21 Revenue

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	<p>Budget, including the projected balance of the Reserve Account, recommend these budgets to the partnering Councils for consideration as part of their budget planning frameworks for 2020-21 and to provide Councils with early indicative estimates for the period from 2021 - 22 onwards.</p> <p>The report indicated a projected underspend of £47,034. This was due to the Project Administrator post vacancy and no expenditure on external advisors or contingency provision. No commitments were currently planned in these budgets for the remainder of the financial year. These budgets would continue to be monitored and reviewed to inform future reports.</p> <p>Based on the projected Reserve Account position at Month 7, a rebate of £10,000 per partner is proposed for 2019/20. With this rebate the projected balance for the Reserve account as at 31st March 2020 is £269,721. This resource will continue to be the principle of funding non-recurring Prosiect Gwyrdd expenditure in future financial years.</p> <p>Partner contributions would be used to fund the recurring costs however, with the reasonable balance in the Reserve there would be no need to request an increase to partner contributions. A summary of the proposed budget for 2020-21 was provided in the report and officers highlighted the key factors which had been considered in developing this budget proposal.</p> <p>RESOLVED: That the Joint Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. note the 2019/20 projected outturn forecast including the projected year-end balance for the Joint Committee Reserve Account. ii. recommended the 2020-21 budget, including the proposed drawdown and closing balance of the Reserve Account, to the Partnering Councils for approval as part of their respective budget planning frameworks for 2020-21. iii. requested that the Partnering Councils note the indicative budgets, and associated partner contributions, outlined for the financial years 2021-22 to 2023-24. 	
15	<p>Date of next meeting</p> <p>RESOLVED: The Joint Committee noted that the next meeting was to be determined and that they would be advised of its date at the earliest opportunity.</p>	