

THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE CITY & COUNTY OF CARDIFF

The County Council of the City & County of Cardiff met at County Hall, Cardiff on 30 June 2016 to transact the business set out in the Council summons dated 24 June 2016.

Present: County Councillor Walsh (Lord Mayor)

County Councillors Ali Ahmed, Manzoor Ahmed, Dilwar Ali, Aubrey, Bale, Bowden, Boyle, Bradbury, Burfoot, Carter, Chaundy, Clark, Cowan, Kirsty Davies-Warner, Chris Davis, De'Ath, Derbyshire, Elsmore, Evans, Ford, Goddard, Goodway, Gordon, Govier, Graham, Groves, Hill-John, Hinchey, Holden, Howells, Hudson, Hunt, Keith Jones, Margaret Jones, Joyce, Kelloway, Knight, Lent, Lloyd, Magill, Marshall, McEvoy, McGarry, McKerlich, Merry, Michael, Mitchell, Murphy, Parry, Patel, Phillips, David Rees, Dianne Rees, Robson, Sanders, Simmons, Stubbs, Thomas, Ben Thomas, Graham Thomas, Lynda Thorne, Walker, Weaver, White, Wild, Darren Williams and Woodman

21 : APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bridges, Ralph Cook, Richard Cook, Hyde, Javed, Lomax and Morgan.

22 : DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following declarations were made en-bloc in relation to Item 7 - Establishment of a Pensions Committee and Participation of the Cardiff & Vale Glamorgan Pension Fund. Members declared a personal interest as Members of the Cardiff and Vale Pension Scheme.

1. Cllr Phil Bale	2. Cllr Sam Knight
3. Cllr Joe Boyle	4. Cllr Julia Magill
5. Cllr Patricia Burfoot	6. Cllr Gretta Marshall
7. Cllr Paul Chaundy	8. Cllr Rod McKerlich
9. Cllr Elizabeth Clark	10. Cllr Neil McEvoy
11. Cllr Jayne Cowan	12. Cllr Sarah Merry
13. Cllr Kirsty Davies-Warner	14. Cllr Michael Michael
15. Cllr Daniel De'Ath	16. Cllr Georgina Phillips
17. Cllr Jonathan Evans	18. Cllr Dianne Rees
19. Cllr Lisa Ford	20. Cllr Adrian Robson
21. Cllr Russell Goodway	22. Cllr Eleanor Sanders
23. Cllr David Groves	24. Cllr Benjamin Thomas
25. Cllr Gavin Hill-John	26. Cllr Huw Thomas
27. Cllr Gareth Holden	28. Cllr David Walker
29. Cllr Nigel Howells	30. Cllr Monica Walsh
31. Cllr Lyn Hudson	32. Cllr Susan White
33. Cllr Margaret Jones	34. Cllr Monica Walsh
35. Cllr Bill Kelloway	

The following additional declaration was made: -

Councillor	Item	Interest
Councillor Boyle	Item 8 – Education Statement	Personal interest as spouse works for School of Modern Languages, Cardiff University and involved in Welsh Government Global Futures Strategy

## 23 : MINUTES

The minute of the Annual meeting 26 May 2016 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairperson, subject to an amendment to Minute No 20 – Urgent Business – Waiver of the six month Councillor Attendance Rule.

## 24 : PETITIONS

The following petitions were submitted:

Councillor McEvoy: 151 signatures - requesting the Planning Authority to put the approved development at Clos y Cwarra on hold pending further discussions on another access to the site.

Councillor Mitchell: 723 signatures – objecting to a supermarket chain store at the Bulldog, Fairwater

Councillor Mitchell: 44 signatures - calling on the Council to provide Nursery Unit for Fairwater Primary School.

Councillor Gordon: 308 signatures calling on the Council to make the National Express Bus Stop at Sophia Gardens safer and sheltered for senior citizens and disabled people and children.

Councillor Hudson: 50 signatures – requesting the Council to address the long standing parking issues caused by non-residents parking at Crystal View.

Councillor Carter: 56 signatures - calling on the Council for urgent action to be taken to fix/resurface Ael-y-Bryn.

Councillor Ali Ahmed: 15 signatures – requesting the Council to provide residents parking for 7 – 19a Loudoun Square.

Councillor Gretta Marshall: 106 signatures – requesting improvements to traffic management facilities in Clydesmuir Road, Tremorfa.

## 25 : LORD MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord Mayor was delighted to report on the following:

Queen's Birthday Honours List

The Lord Mayor congratulated all those citizens of Cardiff who had been honoured by the Queen in her 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Honours List.

Award	Name	Citation
Commander of the Royal Victorian Order	Dr Peter BECK	Lord Lieutenant of South Glamorgan
Medal of the Order of the British Empire	Ms Caroline Ann BOVEY	Chair, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Advisory Group, Aneurin Bevan University Health Board. For services to Equality in the NHS in Wales.
Officer of the Order of the British Empire	Mr Dennis GETHIN	President, Welsh Rugby Union. For services to Welsh Rugby.
Knight Bachelor	Dr David GRANT CBE FRENG	For services to Engineering, Technology and Skills in the UK.
Member of the Order of the British Empire	Professor Helen Louise Ann HOUSTON	Professor of General Practice, School of Medicine, Cardiff University. For services to Medical Education and Health Services in South Wales.
Commander of the Order of the British Empire	Professor Laura Jean MCALLISTER	Chair, Sport Wales. For services to Sport in Wales.
Commander of the Order of the British Empire	Professor Peter MCGUFFIN	Clinical Psychiatrist, King's College London. For services to Biomedical Research and Psychiatric Genetics.
Queen's Police Medal for Distinguished Service	Stuart PARFITT	Superintendent, South Wales Police
Member of the Order of the British Empire	Ms Margaret PRITCHARD DL	Lately Chief Executive, George Thomas Hospice Care. For services to Palliative Care in Cardiff.

The Lord Mayor in particular congratulated Dr Peter Beck, Lord Lieutenant of South Glamorgan on his highly deserved honour of being made a Commander of the Royal Victorian Order by Her Majesty the Queen.

Dr Beck would be retiring as Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant of South Glamorgan on 4 July 2016 after 8 years' service. On behalf of all former Lord Mayors and Members of Council the Lord Mayor would be writing to Peter and Lyn to wish them a happy and healthy retirement.

Conduct of Meetings

The Lord Mayor set out for Members her desire that when in the chamber there is constructive and lively debate with respect for each other's views when discussing and debating the important issues for this Council this year.

#### Cross Party Statement

The Lord Mayor was proud Cardiff as the Capital City is strongly committed to welcoming people from across Wales and the globe. The diversity and inclusivity of the all our communities is what makes Cardiff so special and successful, and as Elected Members working in our communities we should reassure all people living in our areas that they are valued members of our community.

#### Recognition and Awards

##### Launch of Cardiff 2020

On the 30<sup>th</sup> June, over 400 people, including education and business professionals, came together at City Hall for the launch of 'Cardiff 2020' - the renewed vision for education.

The vision sets out how the Council will accelerate education achievements in Cardiff to ensure all children and young people have the opportunity to succeed.

At the event, Professor Patricia Price, Cardiff University Vice Chancellor delivered a keynote speech at the launch. The Leader of the Council, Cllr Bale, spoke about the vision for the city as part of the Cardiff 2020. Members of Cardiff Youth Council also put across the expectation of young people.

You can view 'Cardiff 2020' online on the Council's website.

##### Celebrating our staff on Public Service Day

On the 23<sup>rd</sup> June, the Council proudly showcased the achievements and hard work of Council staff that help make the difference as part of the United Nations' annual international Public Service Day.

Throughout the day regular profiles, facts and stats were posted about the work our staff do across the organisation on the Council's [Facebook page](#) and Twitter accounts and on the staff intranet. Our activity on the day was reached by a staggering 1.4 million people world-wide through retweets, likes and shares, which is fantastic for the staff who got involved.

##### Victoria Park Splashpad now open to the public

The new Splashpad in Victoria Park officially opened on Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> June. Year 4 pupils from local primary schools were invited to come along to the official opening and be the first to experience the facility's 33 exciting water play features.

The design, which was chosen by the public, was a big hit on the opening day.

Well done to everyone who helped deliver this fantastic new attraction in time for the summer holidays.

'In Cardiff' - Council newspaper.

It was great to see the Council's brand new newspaper, 'In Cardiff' launched last month. It's had a major refresh and name change, packed full of the latest news, events and developments in the city.

Copies are no longer delivered to all households in the city after research told us that residents would be happy to pick up In Cardiff to help us save money. So that's what we've done!

It's available free at selected supermarkets and some convenience stores, as well as libraries, community hubs, leisure centres and public buildings across the city.

In Cardiff will be published quarterly - every Summer, Autumn, Winter and Spring, so keep a look out!

You can also the very first edition in [English](#) or [Welsh](#) via the Council's website.

Susanna shares tea with the Queen

Well done to Susanna Thomas, Senior Branch Librarian who was one of the lucky guests in attendance at a recent garden party at Buckingham Palace.

Susanna was nominated for the extra work and events she offers at Rhydypennau Library. Welsh Labour Assembly Member for Cardiff Central saw the hard work being done by Susanna and nominated her for the event.

Cardiff Market new look

Cardiff Market has been given a brand new look which was unveiled last month.

Councillor Graham Hinchey cut the ribbon on the colourful new signage which it is hoped will help increase footfall to the historic Market.

The Grade II Listed market has been serving the people of Cardiff since 1891. To this day the 63 stallholders, spread over two floors, continue to offer a wide range of products and services - everything from florists and fishmongers to barbers and birthday cards.

Binfo App is now available to download!

A free app which advises Cardiff residents on the type of waste to put out for collection is now available to download.

The Binfo App is compatible with all tablet devices and smartphones and once postcode details have been entered it will remind users about the type of waste that will be collected in their area that week.

The app will also provide guidance on the correct content for each type of waste container and also advise residents about disruption to services due to Bank Holidays. Users can also use the app to set collection reminder alerts at a time that suits them.

The app compliments an array of reminder services currently available and next month a new email service will also be added.

These services are accessible via the following webpage:  
[www.cardiff.gov.uk/recycling](http://www.cardiff.gov.uk/recycling) and current subscribers of Tidy Text will receive instructions on how to remain on this service.

#### Wales International Football Team

Finally, Cardiff, the elected Members and citizens were rightly extremely proud of our national football team success so far in Euro 2016 and wished them every success in the next stage of the competition.

#### 26 : WELSH LANGUAGE STANDARDS: ANNUAL MONITORING REPORT 2015- 2016

The Council received the Welsh Language Monitoring Report for 2015-16 for consideration and approval prior to publication in accordance with the Welsh Language Standards under Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011.

The report was proposed by the Leader of the Council Councillor Bale and seconded by Councillor Huw Thomas. In commending the report and the progress being made the Leader highlighted the Council's commitment and significant progress in ensuring equality between the Welsh and English languages by actively promoting and supporting the Welsh language and increasing its capacity to deliver bilingual services; the impact of the Hen Llyfrgell - welsh language Cultural centre; and following the introduction of the Welsh Language Standards the importance of compliance; and the support being given to ensure bilingualism in the workplace and for service users.

The Chair of the Bilingual Cardiff Member Group Councillor Huw Thomas welcomed the cross party support on the group; the successes achieved to date to drive bilingualism and cultural diversity in the city; the need for greater nurturing of services; availability of bilingual opportunities in leisure time. He welcomed the work being taken forward by the Welsh Language Centre and the achievement of common standards for the language to ensure a bright future for the language in Wales.

Members welcomed the progress made; underlined the importance of Welsh Medium Education and adequate provision of places and youth services. Members had some concern that they were not fully aware of the implications of the standards in relation to community and printed information.

RESOLVED – That the Welsh Language Monitoring Report be approved for publication in accordance with the Welsh Language Standards under Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011.

#### 27 : ESTABLISHMENT OF A PENSIONS COMMITTEE AND PARTICIPATION OF THE CARDIFF & VALE OF GLAMORGAN PENSION FUND

The Council was requested to consider and approve the establishment of a Pensions Committee and for the participation of the Cardiff & Vale of Glamorgan Pension Fund in the proposed Wales Investment Pool for the eight LGPS funds in Wales.

The Cabinet Member for Corporate services and Performance, Councillor Hinchey commended the report and the proposals to Council, and this was seconded by Councillor Hunt.

Members were in agreement with the proposal.

RESOLVED – That the Council

1. agreed to participate in the Wales Investment Pool and delegates authority to the Corporate Director Resources in consultation with the Chair of the current Investment Advisory Panel to agree the submission of the Wales Investment Pool to the DCLG by 15 July 2016
2. approved the establishment of a Pensions Committee with the terms of reference set out in Appendix 3 and the amendment of the delegated authority of the Corporate Director Resources as set out in Appendix 4.
3. subject to approval of the recommendation 2, authorised the Interim Monitoring Officer to make the necessary amendments to the Constitution.
4. noted the proposed establishment of a Joint Governance Committee and receives a further report on this matter in due course.

28 : LEADER STATEMENT (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PARTNERSHIPS)

#### EU Referendum

The Leader drew attention to the cross-party statement that was issued by the Council on 27 June 2016 following the result of the EU Referendum that was held on 23 June 2016. As was made clear in the statement, this Council – and its partners – are strongly committed to building on Cardiff's history as a city of the world. Cardiff is a city which has welcomed people from across Wales and the globe to come and settle here. A City of Sanctuary.

The result is one of the UK's most successful and cosmopolitan cities in which people of all nationalities and ethnic backgrounds have historically made – and continue to make – a valuable contribution to the delivery of public services in Cardiff and to the local economy through their skills, knowledge, experiences and entrepreneurialism. It is essential that everyone recognises the strength that comes from our diversity and the role it plays in making our city great. The Leader urged Members to express their support for this position by undersigning the cross-party statement at this month's Council meeting.

A report on the implications of the EU Referendum result for Cardiff is expected to be considered by the Cabinet on 14 July 2016. In addition, the Leader met (28 June

2016) with Cardiff Public Services Board members to discuss the implications of the EU Referendum result on public services and our communities.

#### Cardiff Capital Growth and Competitiveness Commission

On 28 June 2016, the Leader joined with the other Leaders and Chief Executives of the 10 local authorities involved in the Cardiff Capital Region City Deal, as well as leading members from the business and education communities, in Merthyr Tydfil for the launch of an independent city region commission which has been appointed to lead the development of the Cardiff Capital Growth and Competitiveness Commission. This commitment formed part of the £1.2bn City Deal agreement that was signed in March 2016.

The Commission will be chaired by international city-region expert Professor Greg Clark and includes the following appointed commissioners: Alexandra Jones – Chief Executive, Centre for Cities; Kevin Gardiner – Global Investment Strategist, Rothschild, and Helen Molyneux – Chief Executive Officer, New Law. Additional Commissioners will also be appointed over forthcoming weeks.

The Commission's remit will be to review the evidence about the functional economic area, and advise how best to generate Gross Value Added growth and support the ambitions of a dynamic capital region in a successful Welsh Economy. It will also examine the challenges and opportunities for economic growth and competitiveness and make recommendations for how the Cardiff Capital Region can achieve its full growth potential and contribute most to the Welsh economy.

The Commission will gather evidence from community leaders, business and stakeholders before producing a report on how best the City Deal can be utilised to ensure economic growth across the Cardiff Capital Region. It will also analyse and evaluate the expert argument that will be devised by both Cardiff University and the Centre for Cities. The Commission's findings and independent recommendations for the future economic strategy for the region are due to be concluded and announced at a conference in the Autumn.

#### Cardiff Central Station Redevelopment

As part of ongoing discussions to secure UK Government funding for the redevelopment of Cardiff Central Station, the City of Cardiff Council, on behalf of the wider Cardiff Capital Region, is engaged in discussions with the UK Government Department for Transport about the future of Cardiff Central Station. I met recently with the UK Government Secretary of State for Transport, Rt. Hon. Patrick McLoughlin MP, on 8 June 2016 along with the Leaders of the other Core Cities. I also met with the Secretary of State for Wales, Rt. Hon. Alun Cairns MP, on 13 June 2016 to discuss this matter.

At present, there is no clear commitment by Network Rail on a future start date for any work to redevelop Cardiff Central Station, which is why the Council is working to secure a firm commitment from the UK Government to work with Network Rail to prioritise funding to undertake the necessary technical feasibility, cost and detailed design works required to enable a decision to be taken by the Department for Transport and Network Rail on the comprehensive redevelopment of Cardiff Central Station.



A decision on funding for this major redevelopment project needs to be taken now so that preparatory work is undertaken as soon as practicable and will ensure that work can commence on site in 2019 at the beginning of Network Rail's Control Period 6, which runs from 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2024. Consultation on Network Rail's plans for Control Period 6 and related funding provision is currently being undertaken by the rail regulator, the Office of Rail and Road (ORR), as part of their Periodic Review 2018.

The Leader had written to key stakeholders seeking their support for our approach and urging them to also make appropriate representations to the UK Government and Network Rail on this important matter. It is vital that work to redevelop Cardiff Central Station is undertaken alongside ongoing work to redevelop Central Square and to provide a new bus station.

#### UEFA Champions League Final 2017

Last month, the Leader joined a Football Association of Wales (FAW) delegation in attending the 2016 Champions League Final in Milan between Real Madrid and Atletico Madrid. The visit provided an opportunity to learn more about the logistical requirements of hosting the world's most-watched annual sporting event with an estimated global TV audience of 200 million people in over 200 countries. Discussions held with representatives from UEFA and the Milan authorities will inform planning and preparations and for next year's Champions League Final, which will be held in Cardiff at the Principality Stadium on Saturday 3 June 2017. However, as part of the hosting agreement between UEFA and the FAW, the stadium will be referred to as the National Stadium of Wales solely for the purposes of the Champions League Final due to UEFA rules on sponsorship of the host venue.

#### Council Elections

The Welsh Government Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government, Mark Drakeford AM, confirmed in Plenary in the National Assembly for Wales on 22 June 2016 that Councillors who are elected in the next local council elections to be held on 4 May 2017 will serve a full 5 year term until 2022.

This was confirmed in a Written Statement that was issued the following day in which the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government further confirmed that the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales will return to its normal 10-year cycle of electoral reviews. He expects the Commission to publish a new, prioritised programme as soon as possible, which will ensure that electoral reviews are completed for all existing 22 local authorities by 2022 and take into account the age of the current arrangements in some areas and the amount of change that has taken place since the last review was undertaken. He also made clear that discussions on the local government reform agenda in Wales are ongoing with local authorities and other stakeholders and he expects to propose a way forward on local government reform in the autumn.

#### Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015

The Leader met with Wales' Future Generations Commissioner, Sophie Howe, on 23 June 2016. The meeting provided an opportunity for the Council to update the Commissioner on our ongoing work to implement the statutory requirements of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015, including the establishment of a

new Cardiff Public Services Board, which the Leader chairs and which met for the first time on 24 May 2016.

The Lord Mayor invited questions on the Leader's statement and the Leader responded to the matters raised. The Leader reassured Members on matters of racist and xenophobic behaviour in the city and work being undertaken with partners that in working with communities and groups to deal with incidents that may occur and ensure that citizens are able to feel safe in the city. Cardiff is a multi-cultural city and the strong message is that we welcome people to our great city.

In relation to the Central station development and the City Deal the Leader advised that the Council was pursuing commitments made by the UK Government to these initiatives, working with partners and stakeholders to deliver the best outcomes for Cardiff and the region. The Leader supported the city regional development approach and believed that this was a sensible way forward despite the demands on regional Leaders. The leader confirmed that the finalised projects to go into the City Deal had not yet been determined but the Council was committed to looking after and improving its natural environment.

The Cabinet Member in response to a question of Local Government Re-organisation and directly Elected Mayor, the Leader advised that the new Welsh Government Minister for Local Government had made a statement and it was appropriate for him to reflect and review and the final outcome will depend on the discussions going forward.

## 29 : CORPORATE SERVICES AND PERFORMANCE STATEMENT

### Operational Property

Last year was an active year in with the Councils operational estate. The estate was reduced in size by 275,000 sq. ft. through freehold and leasehold relinquishments such as Global Link. This realised a saving in £1m per annum in running costs and cleared a £4.4m maintenance backlog. In addition the council realised £6.8m in capital receipts, £4.5m was reserved for the capitalisation direction.

The Strategic Estates Department has drafted its second Corporate Asset Management Plan for 2016-17. The plan sets out the strategic direction for the Councils vast estate for the next year and has the same targets as last year targets in terms of reducing the running costs, maintenance backlog, size and also delivering capital receipts. The key themes of the Councils property strategy are; modernisation, rationalisation and collaboration and the strap line 'fewer, but better buildings' summarises the overall estate strategy.

### Finance - 2015/16 Outturn

The revenue outturn position showed a surplus of £1.696 million after contributions to and from reserves as compared to the surplus of £988,000 reported at month nine. The improvement reflected a number of factors including a significant improvement to the directorate positions at the year end, a higher surplus on Council Tax and an increase in non-domestic rate (NDR) refunds on Council properties following successful appeals to the Valuation Agency. Additional funding of £862,000 was also received in relation to the Outcome Agreement Grant as a result of confirmation from

the Welsh Government regarding meeting the agreed outcomes and successful performance in relation to 2014/15. These were partly offset by a reduction to the previously reported underspend on capital financing as a result of utilising the underspend to pay off historic premiums and penalties relating to rescheduling of borrowing undertaken in previous years. This will enable savings to be released in support of the 2017/18 budget strategy. Contributions were also made to reserves including £1.0 million, which as set out in the Budget Report forms part of the funding for the 2016/17 Budget.

A new Local Authority Trading Company (LATC) for Procurement was agreed at this month's Cabinet meeting. This is the first Alternative Delivery Model (ADM) to be achieved.

#### Finance - Mobile and Agile Working for Social Care Staff

Mobile working for carers is now fully rolled out and covers around 150 staff. They are using both the scheduling tools and the mobile working tools to streamline both the back office staff tasks and the carers. We are in final stages of system handover and user adoption. The project to mobilise the Adults and Children's service staff leaving Global link continues with over 200 users currently using new laptops or tablets in order to improve the way they work allowing them to work in a very flexible manner. Over 80 touch-down points have been created across the city where staff can call in to work or use facilities such as printing or recharge their devices. The second phase of the rollout commences from 1<sup>st</sup> of September with around 500 staff in scope of the new mobile and agile working project all together. By the second phase we will have Office 365 and Skype for Business available as well as hopefully the ability to access email directly from a mobile phone without the use of Good – this is currently under evaluation.

#### Human Resources - Employee Health and Wellbeing Policy

An Employee Health & Wellbeing Policy was approved by Cabinet on 16 June 2016. Identified as a priority by employees following the 2015 Employee Survey, the 3 year Employee Health & Wellbeing Strategy provides a framework for the Council to help improve the health & wellbeing of its workforce. Actions include: improving accessibility of information, guidance and support for all employees, progressing identified health promotion activities, support for specific initiatives such as Time to Change Wales (mental health) and Corporate Health Standard, piloting specific training programmes relating to achieving a better understanding of how best to support employees with mental health issues, drug and alcohol issues, and securing feedback from employees to help develop priorities for 2017/18.

#### Human Resources - Time to Change Wales pledge signed

On 26 May 2016, the Leader and Cabinet Members attended the Time to Change Wales staff event held at County Hall. The Chief Executive, Paul Orders and Corporate Director of Resources, Christine Salter signed the Time to Change pledge on behalf of staff, a public declaration of the Council's commitment to ending the stigma and discrimination around mental health. In addition to external guest speakers, those attending the event heard the personal experience from two employees who shared their personal experiences of how mental health has affected them and their lives. The event helped break the silence around mental health and

allowed staff find out more about the help and support available, as well as take advantage of complimentary holistic therapies on offer.

Human Resources - New Director for Governance and Legal Services

Cabinet Members and Human Resources would like to confirm their support and offer a welcome to Davina Fiore into the role of new Director for Governance and Legal Services. Davina will be starting in her new role on the 19 September 2016.

Human Resources - PPDR Compliance and Sickness Absence

Personal Performance Development Review (PPDR) achieved its target of 90% at the end of year.

End of year sickness and absence continues to show a steady and gradual decline over the last four years from 11.49-9.56. Our Employee Assistance Programme is now been in operation since mind November and feedback from staff and trade union representatives have been encouraging, allowing early intervention and support across a wide range of subjects.

Web Team and Connect 2 Cardiff

During the month of May Cardiff's website received 167k visitors who viewed a total of 668k pages; over half of the visitors accessing the site used a mobile device.

Recycling and Waste continued to be our most popular section with over 90k page views. There was also a noted increase to 19k page views related to Voting and Elections; a fifth of these customers searching for their local polling station. Pages for the Lord Mayor increased by 56%, with 1,252 page views in total following the announcement of the new Lord Mayor for 2016/17.

Our online services continue to grow in their usage with 69% of all parking permit applications made online. 48% of our customers who chose to appeal a parking/traffic fine chose to do so online and nearly 3k customers chose the web to access their Council Tax information. Online payments have continued to be successful with 13k transactions bringing in £1.2m."

During the second busiest month of 2016 for the contact centre, days lost to sickness absence was reduced by 2% when compared to April and is also a 40% improvement to where we were in May 2015.

PPDR open-up reviews for 2016/17 took place for all available staff and C2C have achieved a 95% completion rate.

The service centre replied to 5722 customer emails which waited on average just 10 hours and 30 minutes before receiving a response. This speed of service helped contribute to a 96% customer satisfaction result and the receipt of 12 customer compliments.

The Cabinet Member in response to questions on his statement to the issues raised around employee engagement initiatives in schools; and the importance of analysing data from the website on service delivery and this information being considered by Cabinet Members and officer.

In response to budget pressure and demands on services, work is ongoing to mitigate through modernisation and greater analysis of service requirements. The operational overspend in Social Services had slowed down, but it is difficult in these areas to get away from rising service demands.

## 30 : EDUCATION STATEMENT

### Cardiff 2020

In May the Cabinet approved “Cardiff 2020 – Aiming for Excellence” which sets out the long term improvement strategy for education and learning in Cardiff.

Our vision is that all children and young people in Cardiff attend a great school and develop the knowledge, skills and characteristics that lead them to become personally successful, economically productive and actively engaged citizens. Our mission statement is that through excellent education and learning for all children and young people we strengthen economic prosperity, wellbeing and social cohesion in Cardiff.

Underpinning it our values are:

- Supporting the development of happy and resilient learners, with a focus on both academic achievement and personal well-being.
- Equality of opportunity and championing the success and life chances of all children by narrowing the gap in education outcomes.
- Working openly and collaboratively with each other and sharing knowledge, practice and learning.
- Raising the aspirations of all children and young people and our expectations of what they can achieve, irrespective of their background or need.
- Embracing diversity, practising tolerance and respect for ourselves, our communities and our environment.
- Celebrating the success of pupils, practitioners and schools at every opportunity.

Our key goals are:

- Excellent outcomes for all learners – with consistently high expectations for all learners. That we address barriers to learning to ensure no child or young people are “left behind” with a flexible and engaging curriculum and a focus on high quality teaching at the heart of every school.
- A high quality workforce – our aim is to attract the best people to lead and work in our schools. To recruit, retain and develop staff at all levels.
- 21<sup>st</sup> Century learning environments – to ensure there are appropriate, high quality place for our children and young people and that schools are strongly connected to their communities.
- A self-improving school system- that schools collaborate building the capacity for collective improvement across the system.
- Schools and Cardiff in partnership – we recognise the links between schools and the communities they serve but also aim to work with all our partners including businesses and the arts.

For each of the goals there is a plan of action and success measures.

As a fast growing city we face challenges but we are determined to face them to ensure that all our children have the best start in life and can play a full role in the life of the city both as citizens and economically.

The Lord Mayor invited questions on the education statement. There was a particular concern in the funding from EU which championed opportunities and life chances of children by narrowing the gap in education outcomes. Additional concerns were raised from the Language Trends Wales report in relation to the significant reduction in the number of Welsh students studying a foreign Language to GCSE, and the need for a higher emphasis on the teaching and studying of modern-language in schools.

### 31 : COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, CO-OPERATIVES AND SOCIAL ENTERPRISE STATEMENT

#### Brand New Community Hub Opens in Fairwater

The Cabinet Member was pleased to announce that Fairwater Hub opened its doors for the first time on Monday 16th May, bringing improved and extended citizen services to the area. Considerable refurbishment via the Community Hubs project has seen the former Fairwater Library building on Doyle Avenue upgraded and extended into a bright, colourful and multifunctional Hub. The Council and partner agencies will now deliver services from this single location, allowing customers to engage with the Council more easily, and to access key information and amenities more quickly and conveniently than ever before.

Trained staff are on hand at the new facility to help visitors utilise the Hub services, which include a full Library service, quiet area and space for children's events, a full Housing and Benefit service and Into Work Advice. Private interview rooms and a meeting room are also available, and there will be regular visits from partner organisations to provide specialist help and advice. The Hub further boasts an IT suite with public PCs, free internet and Wi-Fi access, and free phones to contact the Council and other services. The community's reaction so far has been extremely positive.

Members are invited to the official launch of the Hub on the 15th July.

#### Fanzone

The Cabinet Member was pleased to congratulate the Welsh Football team for their outstanding achievements to date in respect of the 2016 UEFA European Championship.

The Welsh team is leading the way, with their passion and commitment in the way they are playing football and we should all be proud of the way that as a Council of the Capital City we have played our part in supporting this historic achievement through the provision of a community Fanzone for every Welsh game. The Fanzone in Coopers Field has proved a great success and its popularity continues to grow as the team progresses through the stages. The Cabinet Member thanked a number of key partners for their support in the delivery of this initiative Norman Sayers of

Sayers Amusements Ltd, BBC Wales who are the official media partners, and FAW for their support in delivering the Sport Cardiff attractions on site. Capital FM and of course South Wales Police have also played pivotal roles in the success of the Fanzone to date and thank them for their support.

This competition is a further opportunity to put Wales on the world stage, with images of the home support at the Cardiff Fanzone beamed around the world. This is fantastic for the city and a real boost to the team to see the demonstration of support from home. We wish them all the best on Friday against Belgium.

The Lord Mayor invited questions on the statement and Members were supportive of the Fanzone and also the opportunity for collections to be made in support of the Lord Mayor's Charity Cancer Research Wales

## 32 : SKILLS, SAFETY AND ENGAGEMENT STATEMENT

Cardiff Youth Council (CYC) is the official network for young people in the capital. CYC & Cardiff Council have committed to co-producing 3 Grand Council events at the City Hall during the academic year 2016/7.

A Grand Council provides young people from schools, colleges and youth organisations the opportunity to take part in conference style, daylong event with themed workshops and debates to help shape the city.

Decembers Grand Council focused on 'What Matters To Future Generations' which gave delegates the chance to voice their opinion on the council's budget proposals and the What Matters strategic plan.

March's Grand Council enabled young people to join Cabinet Members to discuss the future direction of the city.

The Grand Council on July 6<sup>th</sup> will enable young people from schools across Cardiff to join a number of representative guests from across South Wales.

The theme for the day is the UK Youth Parliament (UKYP) national initiative - Make Your Mark. In 2015 this initiative enabled 7,500 from Cardiff and 1 million 11-18 year olds from across the UK to identify their top issues.

These issues are then debated by MYP's (Members of Youth Parliament) in the House of Commons each November. MYP's then vote to set national priorities and campaigns for the coming year. CYC then use the Cardiff data to set local priorities and run campaigns to make Cardiff a better place to live, work and play.

At the Grand Council event delegates will receive information and training to be able to take Make Your Mark back into their communities to enable their school to take part in Europe's biggest youth consultation! The event will also including CYC sharing the outcomes from its 2015/16 campaigns which originated from Make Your Mark.

The Cabinet Member will be co-hosting the event with Elin Bold and Stephanie Ezeadum recently elected MYP's for Cardiff.

The Cabinet Member in response to questions on his statement advised that following consultation with young people it was decided that the best and most strategic approach was to create a youth-engagement strategy; and to commit to making Cardiff a child-friendly city.

### 33 : ENVIRONMENT STATEMENT

#### Parks

The Cabinet Member was pleased to report on-going activity in respect of our community and outreach programmes in parks that last financial year attracted in the region of 23,000 volunteer hours.

Through grant funding from Natural Resources Wales we are continuing to develop our volunteer hub at Forest Farm and are currently piloting a Volunteer Induction park for prospective volunteers which sets out the opportunities that exist and the preparation required, to enter the world of volunteering.

We continue to work with stakeholders of the Volunteer Development Partnership Group, in particular, the Cardiff Rivers Group and Keep Wales Tidy and whereby a series of community based litter picks aimed at improving the local environmental quality have been undertaken during the first quarter of the year.

The Urban Buzz project is also gathering pace, the project is enabling local communities to improve areas for pollinators, in doing so contributing to the Pollinator Action Plan for Cardiff. In this respect it has been a very busy spring with over 20 new sites being introduced, including schools, libraries, community centres, Cardiff University and Cardiff Council.

The Parks service is currently hosting two students from the Horticultural College of our twin city of Nantes for a period of two weeks and linked to their course of study.

Our partnership with the RSPB goes from strength to strength and I am delighted to confirm that following the success of TAPE in Bute Park last summer, another experience called In the Eyes of the Animal will feature from 15 July 2016 through to 4 August 2016. Using technology to change park user's perspectives and reinterpret the natural environment, virtual reality headsets and motion packs will convey a multi-sensory journey all through the eyes of animals native to the park.

The Victoria Park Splashpad was officially opened by the Lord Mayor on 24 June, pupils from schools in Canton attended the opening and were the first to use and enjoy the new facility. The fantastic splashpad includes sprays, jets, a tipping bucket spread across three zones designed for toddlers, juniors and families.



### Bereavement Services

Bereavement Services are working with Protocol and Parks Services to prepare for the unveiling of the Cardiff Great War Memorial at Hendre Lake on 7 July 2016. The date for the unveiling has been specifically chosen to commemorate the Battle of Mametz Wood. All Councillors along with schools from across Cardiff have been invited to attend alongside other invited guests and the general public.

Bereavement Services has also held the annual Baby Memorial Service at the Wenallt Chapel which is arranged in partnership with Sands and the University Hospital of Wales Chaplaincy Department.

In Cathays Cemetery successful walks have been held throughout June in partnership with the University of South Wales. Pollinator planting with Buglife has also been carried out at Cathays Cemetery with 750 plug plants being planted at the cemetery with local schools, Friends of Cathays Cemetery and Community Payback.

### Recycling Performance

#### (i) Education Activities

- June is a busy month with the students leaving us for the end of term. Our “get it out campaign” is in full swing. With extra resources to tackle the large volumes of extra waste presented at this time of year.
- The new waste app has now been launched and is available for people to download. Not only does this provide the same service as tidy text, it also provides information on what can be recycled and goes in each container. A text and email reminder service are still available for those without a smart phone.

#### (ii) Collections

- Very pleased to state that we are progressing with new in cab technologies for waste management. It will take us a year to procure the right systems but they will give us much more visibility of collection issues and a better quality service for residents. It will also mean the diamond sticker for registered collections will no longer be required once the system is fully operational.

#### (iii) Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRC's) and Reuse

- The reuse tenders will be issued in the next two weeks to secure a partner for free household reuse collections and develop a reuse shop in partnership with us.

The Cabinet Member in responded to questions on his statement around biodiversity and he undertook to clarify practices with the service area. Members were interested in the volunteering hours which related to city wide operations and not specific volunteering around allotments. In addition matters were raised in relation to the success and additional resources for the ‘Get it out for Cardiff’ campaign this year;

and in cab technology for waste vehicles and the importance of getting these initiatives right.

Members welcomed the new bin app which is user friendly and gives timely notifications.

34 : ORAL QUESTIONS

Question: *County Councillor Chaundy*

Can the Council list any projects that might be affected by the possible withdrawal of EU funding?

Reply: *County Councillor Bale*

The Council is currently participating in two EU-funded projects under the European Structural Investment funds for 2014-2020. They are the Inspire 2 Achieve and Communities for Work, which are both supported by the European social fund. The Council also has a number of other projects in the pipeline, including Inspire 2 Work, which is an ESF project currently at business-planning stage with the Welsh European Funding Office, and three Interreg Atlantic Area proposals pending approval.

How the referendum result might actually affect these and other projects is subject to UK negotiations with the European Commission. However, what is certain is that the Council will continue to be able to lead or be a partner in those applications for EU funding, at least until the end of the two-year period that will be triggered when, or indeed *if*, the UK Government invokes Article 50 of the Treaty of Lisbon.

Supplementary question: *County Councillor Chaundy*

Have you got a plan at the moment or how that will be addressed – at either Welsh Government or Parliament level and have you got a cunning plan in place to get that funding one way or another, and if there is, where is it?

Reply: *County Councillor Bale*

Welsh Government have made clear that they want to make sure that any of those programmes are in place through the life of the current programme through to 202, that will provide some time for transitional arrangements. They will continue to lobby Cardiff through the WLGA is also very active in terms of ensuring that the voice of Local Government is heard when those negotiations kick off in earnest when the Article is triggered with the UK Government to the European Commission.

Question: *County Councillor Walker*

The Leader and his Cabinet took a decision at Cabinet on 15 May 2014 to “carry out procurement processes for the future management of the Council’s leisure centres and arts venues.” Officers were delegated by this decision, over two years ago, to

take this decision forward, but outcomes are still awaited. This prevarication has continued with other improvement plans being placed on hold with belated referrals back to Council managers in-house, to take their operational performance to acceptable levels.

If it was the case that our own managers could have made the improvements needed, why were they not challenged and given the freedom to do so in 2012 when Labour took power or in 2014 when you became Leader? Had you possessed the courage and insight to act then, their potential and effectiveness could already have been assessed. Instead, below par performance continues to be tolerated and inactivity prevails as your administration approaches the end of its five-year term.

Reply: *County Councillor Bale*

Clearly, the recent quarter four performance report includes details of the current position in relation to these processes.

In terms of leisure, the call for final tenders from the two remaining bidders has been made with a submission date of midday on the fourth of July. Following evaluation of those tenders, a recommendation will be made to Cabinet.

With arts venues, dialogue is continuing with the remaining bidder and Cabinet is working towards a decision being taken in September.

You'll appreciate that, legally, the process does not allow for any corners to be cut. Indeed, those authorities that have taken liberties in this respect have opened themselves up to serious legal challenge.

A period of 18-24 months is not unusual bearing in mind the size of the contract, which in this case is in excess of £200m. What is important for this administration is ensuring that we get the right outcome for the Council, staff, and citizens, while ensuring that we get good value for money and we maintain these venues for the future.

Supplementary question: *County Councillor Walker*

Over the last four years, we've heard a great deal of slagging off of the previous administration and boasting about how this administration can transform the Council, either by freeing up managers to do the job they're supposed to do or by bringing in expertise to manage the relevant service areas.

Here we are four years later and you're still talking about processes with nine months to go before the end of term.

So what is it that's holding you back from actually delivering on these things? Is there reluctance, actually, to address performance area or do you hate the idea of even considering the prospect of getting people in to help? Because it really is going to be that you'll end your term of five years and the people will still be writing reports about this matter.

Reply: *County Councillor Bale*

I appreciate Councillor Walker's getting back up to speed with events since he's come back off the Lord Mayor benches to head up his own group.

As I said, in July and September these reports will be coming to Cabinet for approval. These are substantial decisions that this Council will be making and it is right that we get the right decision for the staff and, indeed, the citizens of this city. I am comfortable that we've done that properly, that we've reduced or minimised the legal risks to this Council and, indeed, along the way, we've made other major steps in terms of reforming and reshaping this Council that the previous administration did not even start.

If you look at procurement, with the Local Authority Trading Company, and other areas of business, we are reshaping this Council for the better. And if you'd come along to the event last night right here in City Hall to look at the achievements that have taken place in education I'm sure, as other Members that were present, you'd have been greatly impressed. And I'm proud, actually, of hearing some of those stories of the change that's taken place literally in the last couple of years under this labour administration.

Question: *County Councillor Ali*

I'm sure we are all very shocked and saddened by the news of MP Jo Cox's murder recently. Jo was an exceptional politician: caring, compassionate, energetic, and highly effective.

For us as Councillors, the fact that Jo was murdered after holding her surgery, something we all do, is particularly poignant. Can I have a statement or has this Council taken any risk assessment for the Elected members and the Council staff?

Reply: *County Councillor Bale*

As politicians from all parties, we were greatly saddened by the shocking and tragic incident in what you quite rightly say is a normal democratic activity for local politicians and community leaders.

We have to remember that, fortunately, incidents like this are isolated. However, the City Council is constantly monitoring security and safety issues and has previously instigated a security and safety review of Council buildings.

It is important that Councillors and staff are always vigilant and work to appropriate guidance that is provided by the Council's statutory Officers and by experts in this field. Specific guidance has been issued by the Welsh Government in the wake of this tragedy, and this has been adapted by the Council as a handy guide to supplement the Council's existing health-and-safety guidance for Elected Members. This will be circulated to Members early next week.

In addition, Officers are currently finalising arrangements for provision of personal safety training for Councillors and staff, which will commence next month. Members Services will advise Members of the dates of these sessions shortly.

Question: *County Councillor Boyle*

Is the European Social Fund money earmarked for the Inspire 2 Achieve programme secure, in light of the EU referendum result?

Reply: *County Councillor Bale*

As I indicated in my earlier response, the current guidance from the Welsh European Funding Office -- the body responsible for administering European structural and investment funding in Wales -- is business as usual and that existing funding arrangements should continue to be honoured. As I touched upon earlier as well with Councillor Chaundy, the European Social Fund money earmarked for the Inspire 2 Achieve project would appear to be secure. However, everything is currently subject to those negotiations with the European Commission.

Supplementary question: *County Councillor Boyle*

Obviously there's a certain amount of waiting and seeing. It's a three-year project. Is the money incrementally provided, as far as you know, or is it provided upfront in a single lump sum? Because, obviously, if Article 50 was invoked quickly and we had two years, the third year, if that funding is incrementally provided, might vanish. And I note that an ESF project coordinator is being appointed. Will that appointment still go ahead?

Reply: *County Councillor Bale*

At the moment, we have no plans in place to change anything. We literally do need to commence with negotiations.

And, in terms of the phasing of the funding, that's something I'll have to get advice on and I'll come back to you in terms of a fuller response.

Question: *County Councillor Robson*

What plans does the Council have for the Graving Docks?

Reply: *County Councillor Derbyshire*

The Graving Docks in Cardiff Bay are managed by Cardiff Harbour Authority under an agreement with the Welsh Government and the future use of the Graving Docks is being reviewed by the Council through the development of a master plan for Cardiff Bay in conjunction with stakeholders.

Supplementary question: *County Councillor Robson*

I to urge you and the Cabinet to do something with the Graving Docks. They've been derelict for many, many years. It's been an ongoing project of mine from time to time to raise this in the Council chamber every few years and it's been a few years since I last brought it to this chamber.

Economic Scrutiny Committee has historically looked at this issue and felt that something can be done, be it some kind of partnership with Techniquest or one of the other ventures down there. It's an opportunity we're missing to at least improve Tourism and maybe even make the Council a little bit of money.

Reply: *County Councillor Derbyshire*

The Council continues to talk with Techniquest but, as you can imagine, because of the trickiness around the fact that we're doing it on behalf of Welsh Government and the sensitivity around the ports and people like that, obviously it's not something that can just come to a conclusion between two parties easily. So we've got to be very careful about how we move forward.

As I say, there are no firm plans at the moment. However, as I say, as part of the master plan, which we will talk to Welsh Government about, hopefully we will come up with a solution at that stage.

Question: *County Councillor Gordon*

Riverside people and the Ward Councillors welcome the planned introduction of a 20mph zone across the ward. When will this be implemented?

Reply: *County Councillor Patel*

I'm proud to be able to say that this administration has made a commitment to roll out the 20mph zones across the city to improve road safety, promote walking and cycling, and enhance the quality of life of local streets. Work is currently being undertaken for preparation for implementation of the scheme in Riverside. It is anticipated that the scheme will be rolled out later in the current financial year.

Ward Councillors will continue to be consulted on the proposed scheme.

Your input and your ward colleagues' input to date has been invaluable in informing the phasing of the different elements of the scheme.

Supplementary question: *County Councillor Gordon*

How are the 20mph zones actually enforced? How are people monitored?

Reply: *County Councillor Patel*

We have learned a lot of lessons from the pilot first started in the Cathays area and obviously, like with anyone who speeds excessively, whether it is 30mph zones or 40mph, a lot of the enforcement has to come from the police.

And one of the things we are going to be doing – and we have started to do – is have regular dialogues with the Police to actually start talking to them about this. When I went to a conference in Edinburgh recently, which was on the 20mph, one of the things I've learned from that was there was a very clear engagement with the Police. When we're talking about a rollout, it makes it a lot easier for the Police to be able to enforce it because they will know and identify a whole area, rather than just a few streets which becomes harder to enforce.

Supplementary question: *County Councillor McKerlich*

I can sympathise with the frustration of the Member for Riverside in that a plan is slowly being implemented – too slowly for her liking. But there are some wards where there isn't even a plan. And my ward in particular would welcome knowing what is to be the critical path for rolling out 20mph zones not just into odd selected wards, but into all wards.

In my ward, for example, there is a main trunk road in effect going right through the village, and there are two schools whose children walk along that road to get to school. And I think it deserves an approach which is far less leisurely than that which you have adopted.

Reply: *County Councillor Patel*

I think there's a bit of confusion between the 20mph zones because what we're talking about is from the outer skirts of the city centre, which is why we're concentrating on that.

What you're possibly talking about is safer routes to school. Safer routes to schools is very much different. You can still introduce 20mph in the safer routes to schools.

From lessons learned from other cities as well, it's very clear you start from the city centre and you work across – you don't start from the furthest and work in. It just doesn't work that way. It has to be from the city centre outwards.

If you've got a concern with outside your school which is, say, maybe an area which we could look at a 20mph, certainly please contact me and I'll be more than happy to discuss it with you.

Question: *County Councillor Woodman*

Have any security pass badges been issued to anyone other than Councillors or Council employed staff to be able to access County Hall and City Hall freely; and, if they have, please advise to whom, when, and why or whether there are any plans to issue any such security pass badges to anyone other than a Council-employed employee or Councillor within the next six weeks?

Reply: *County Councillor Bale*

Security door access cards are provided to authorised individuals who regularly require access to County Hall. They are: Regional Regulatory Services staff from the

Vale of Glamorgan and Bridgend Councils, Wales Audit Office staff, photocopier service engineers from Canon, and police officers who need to have access to our CCTV control room.

Here at City Hall, a number of services have responsibility for managing and monitoring the use of programmed security door access cards, which provide limited access to the building for staff that are involved, for example, in attending training courses and in events related to catering services on evenings and weekends.

At both locations, a number of security door access cards for temporary use by contractors and visitors are also available from Facilities Management, which must be signed for before these are issued.

As a result of the ad hoc nature of issuing such cards, though, it is difficult to predict who will require them during the next six weeks.

Supplementary question: *County Councillor Woodman*

Security for our staff and Councillors is very important, especially now and, I think we can all agree, even more so now.

Will you undertake a review, please of the passes being given to people who are not Councillors or staff employees? We need to ensure our buildings are as secure as possible. You've mentioned photocopier maintenance personnel. Where will the line be drawn? Will it be lift maintenance engineers next then furniture deliveries? Most big businesses restrict it to their employees only. And then a process of having to have a temporary badge, signed in, signed out, and that badge collected. Clearly, you haven't got that in place at the moment.

I'm pleased about your answer to Councillor Ali, which you said about a security review, and passes must be part of that review.

Reply: *County Councillor Bale*

As I explained to Councillor Dilwar Ali earlier, we do take external security advice and, indeed, professional advice from Officers regarding security. The cards that we do have in place are regularly reviewed in terms of security requirements. They are time-limited in terms of the length of their use and we constantly review their use.

But if you've got specific concerns or instances then I would encourage you to meet with the Chief Executive and, indeed, myself if you want to bring those to our attention in more detail.

Question: *County Councillor Hudson*

As there are tailbacks of traffic on Lamby Way already, what will happen when Wedal Road Recycling Centre closes?



Reply: *County Councillor Derbyshire*

The newly redesigned Lamby Way recycling centre will incorporate more off-road queuing space and, as the overall drop-off area will be larger; the flow of traffic through the site will be much quicker. This will remove the need for any vehicles to queue on the approach road.

Supplementary question: *County Councillor Hudson*

Will Council monitor access roads to Lamby Way for the level of traffic through the day, as this has a very definite bearing on the devastating decision to close Wedal Road, and the effect on residents from the north of the city?

Reply: *County Councillor Derbyshire*

As I am sure you are aware, as I am, the current situation at Wedal Road in terms of queueing is far worse than anything you can imagine at Lamby Way going forward.

One of the big reasons for me deciding to move to Lamby Way as I did was because of the huge traffic jams that occur at Wedal Road, very close to a hospital as you well know, and could cause real problems and real pile-ups. In fact, I'm aware that there's been many an occasion where people queueing at Wedal Road could have actually gone to Lamby Way and got home again before they got seen at Wedal Road.

So I think what we have to bear in mind is you have to make decisions based on a sound judgement. The sound judgement is the current Wedal Road site is totally unacceptable going forward as a recycling site and Lamby Way is going to be suitable once it's redesigned.

Supplementary question: *County Councillor Clark*

Of course, we do need to remember that the traffic queues in Wedal Road since the site at Waungron Road was shut.

But my question is: when do you anticipate the upgraded Lamby Way centre being done and when do you anticipate that will be ready for action?

Reply: *County Councillor Derbyshire*

I seem to recall, actually, it was the previous administration that decided to cut down on the number of recycling centres but we won't go into that.

The anticipation at the moment is that it will be ready in the autumn and as such, that's when we'll be moving forward.

Question: *County Councillor Mitchell*

Despite the shortage of housing in Cardiff, we need to review policy regarding blocks of flats with communal areas where one severely antisocial tenant can subject five or more tenants to years of misery. A sensitive let can be arranged after they are asked to move on or when they are evicted from the flat.

However, if another tenant in the block transfers or moves out at around the same time, the sensitive let criteria does not apply to that flat creating the potential for those remaining tenants and the new sensitive let to be at the mercy of a new anti-social tenant. Therefore, can the sensitive let policy be reviewed to cover the whole block of flats to give those remaining tenants some quality of life?

Reply: *County Councillor Elsmore*

The Housing Antisocial Behaviour Team works proactively to resolve any poor behaviour by council tenants at an early stage. The team uses a range of methods, including early warnings and mediation, working with both the victim and the perpetrator to resolve the issues.

Where it is not possible to resolve issues, legal action is taken. Indeed, in 2015/16, 10 evictions were granted for antisocial behaviour. There were also 28 injunctions and one committal to prison.

Where tenants have suffered from antisocial behaviour and the offending tenant has either moved or been evicted, a “sensitive let” marker is placed on the Council’s records for the property vacated and that can be extended, at the discretion of Officers, to other flats in that block. Any applicant for the property who is offered the property will be subject to checks to ensure they have no previous history of antisocial behaviour.

Supplementary question: *County Councillor Mitchell*

That is good news. It’s a very common thing for those of us with large council-house blocks, where you have an extremely antisocial tenant in one of those blocks, and the misery they can cause. So that is welcome news, the fact that those suffering tenants, especially where a tenant has moved out or been evicted and another tenant leaves at the same time, we make sure that both flats are sensitive let to give the remaining tenants some quality of peace and life for a reasonable amount of time.

The supplementary question is that sometimes it’s more convenient for us to move someone who’s grotesquely antisocial out of a block of flats and that sometimes gives the perception amongst other people that they are somehow given priority in rehousing. Do we have a policy whereby if someone is asked to leave, or is evicted and we rehouse them, at what point do we say “enough is enough – you’re simply not engaging with the system and you simply cannot be afforded accommodation”?

Reply: *County Councillor Elsmore*

In terms of the Housing Wales Act, we’ve got a duty to everyone who lives in Cardiff. Even those people who may be conducting themselves in a difficult manner. I want to say that first of all.

If people are evicted for ASB, they may well come to our services through the homeless route, and we would have to have a look at our duties and consider them over a period of time. We do have an exclusion panel. I’m very happy to take you

through our, I think, 20 plus steps that we have. I think it would be a very useful conversation for us to have, you being an advocate for your ward.

Supplementary question: *County Councillor Carter*

I've got a lot of respect for Cllr Mitchell but can I ask whether the new Monitoring Officer, when they're in post, might want to review how we review our questions? I was conscious that the statement before us was largely a statement rather than a question, with a question at the end. So I think we could all do with some guidance on what's appropriate and what's not.

But I'm grateful we have the opportunity, anyway, to raise this point. Councillor Elsmore, on these important issues, I'm conscious of how much success has been achieved at the new Ark Centre, with the high-rise flats. I wonder what plans the administration have to look at CCTV cameras in our low-rise blocks as well, in the future, to replicate some of the good work that's been done in Ark on the high-rise.

Reply: *County Councillor Elsmore*

That was a very neat segue into something not quite in keeping with the question, but I'm happy to answer anyway.

The Ark is wonderful. I know you've been. So I think the plan is that will be rolled out. But I'm happy to give you the exact confirmation and timings.

Question: *County Councillor Bowden*

What consequences to you foresee arising from the Council's decision to backtrack on issuing Fixed Penalty Notices (FPNs) for term-time holidays and setting the bar at 90% attendance rather than the Welsh target of 95% and above; and how do you intend to communicate this to Head Teachers and Chairs of Governors?

Reply: *County Councillor Merry*

The Council recognises a clear link between attendance and attainment. For pupils to achieve their full potential there needs to be continuity in their learning, best achieved by attendance at school. When pupils are absent for odd days or more prolonged periods of time, they potentially miss out on important learning experiences and the teaching of key concepts and techniques that may impede their progress.

In the recent, well publicised High Court case, the parent argued that his daughter's attendance record of more than 90% met the requirement that parents ensure their children attend school regularly.

Pending the next appeal and further guidance, the advice from the Council's barrister and the Welsh Government is that schools should consider the wider attendance record of pupils before issuing Fixed Penalty Notices or any prosecutions are undertaken.

At present, this is an interim measure. And this will be reviewed once further legal advice is received. The advice was communicated to all Head Teachers on 23<sup>rd</sup> June and they will be kept updated. But I can assure you what my personal view would be.

Supplementary question: *County Councillor Bowden*

In England, it's 90% attendance. In Wales, we have a 95% attendance. Schools such as mine are looking at attendance rates of 96.7%. And the Attendance Officer for the cluster is concerned about the impact that decision is going to have on children being taken out of school and thus reducing attendance.

I wasn't aware the Head had actually had the notification. It came late; I have to say, because the Attendance Officer came to see me about it. But could we look back at whether in fact we're addressing the 95% target, given what we have to achieve in schools?

Reply: *County Councillor Merry*

I have sympathy with the position that Head Teachers and Governors have found themselves on this. I believe the figure of 90% was used because that was the basis of the original High Court case. It is going to appeal. And the other additional difficulty we've got is that the written judgement isn't yet available. So it may be that we can give further consideration when it is.

Question: *County Councillor Sanders*

What specific actions will this administration be taking to ensure the safety of our residents in the light of reports of racial and religious abuse?

Reply: *County Councillor De'Ath*

We've clearly all been deeply appalled by the racism and xenophobia that's been whipped up during the referendum campaign and that fact that the vote in favour of Brexit has been taken by some as a license to voice their unpleasant views to abuse people they don't like.

Cardiff has got a very proud and noble history – a tradition – of tolerance and diversity and multiculturalism and that's important to recognise. And also it's important to recognise that not every town and city in Britain has got that tradition. I can tell you from my own experience and I think if you speak to other BME people, there are parts of Britain still today where people feel that they still have license to say whatever they like.

In answer to your question, we as a local authority, along with our partners, monitor racial relations and community cohesion in the city. I don't want to go into the precise nuts and bolts of what we do but we certainly have a developed awareness of what's happening.

And I'm happy to state on behalf of the administration and of the police that we absolutely have a zero tolerance of this kind of hate crime. We commissioned from

Race Equality First a hate-crime casework service and we would encourage anyone who experiences any problems to contact the police on 101 or Race Equality First, because this is something we're absolutely determined to stamp out in the city.

Supplementary question: *County Councillor Sanders*

And I'm sure we're all taking personal action. I've arranged next Sunday afternoon a prayer meeting with churches across the whole city with my particular faith base.

Can I ask that, in the light of these current tensions, do you believe that the current policies, such as the equality and diversity one, community cohesion, community safety, and all the other aspects are really at the moment appropriate given the increased tensions that we're seeing reported across our city?

Reply: *County Councillor De'Ath*

I certainly think they are. The policies we have in place and the partnerships we have in place set us in good stead to weather these horrible and unfortunate events. So I am absolutely convinced that Cardiff will stand up to this and it's something that, going forward, we will drive out.

Supplementary question: *County Councillor Evans*

Could I ask you to set out – perhaps in a memorandum, perhaps in your next statement – an overview of the strategic approach being taken on this, not just in terms of reacting to incidents but also in terms of prevention? I'm thinking here, UK, Police and Crime Commissioners, Police, PACT, but also schools, also the youth service, all of which I'm sure are responding as they should be but I think it would be helpful and reassuring to know that a strategic approach is being taken so if that could perhaps form part of your next statement next month and also if that could be a press release and the message gets out there.

Reply: *County Councillor De'Ath*

I shall certainly make that information available.

Question: *County Councillor Carter*

How will the Council engage Councillors in any highway resurfacing programmes in their wards in 2016/17?

Reply: *County Councillor Patel*

Requests for highway resurfacing from Members have been taken into account during the scheme selection process. However, the primary factor will always be the condition of the road following detailed assessment.

It is anticipated that the programmes for work will be finalised within the next month, as has been the practice in previous years. Members will be advised of planned works within their wards prior to commencement on site.

Supplementary question: *County Councillor Carter*

I am grateful for those commitments, Councillor Patel, but would you agree with me that it would be only fair and equitable to actually organise meetings with local Members to discuss these schemes once that list is drawn up?

I am conscious that this year in particular, but in recent years as well, a number of schemes in my ward have been welcome surprises, but surprises nonetheless because, prior to the two weeks' notice, we had no idea they were coming. So I'd be grateful if you could look into the idea of ward Members being contacted for meetings with Officers to discuss the scheme in its entirety before things being thrust upon us.

Reply: *County Councillor Patel*

I think what's important here is, if we start talking to every single Member, we'd never get these schemes off the ground because, basically, there are certain contracts which we have to put out. And the Officers who are the experts, who have checked and inspected the roads as well, would take all that into account, especially the feedback from Members as well, if they've got concerns and they've reported them, and many other issues would have to be looked at by Officers as well. So therefore, on that basis, what we would normally do – as we've always done, as I said earlier on – the same practice is being followed. It hasn't changed. Once the list comes out, we would notify the ward Members of that list.

Question: *County Councillor Graham Thomas*

The Council are currently working on a new Charter with the community councils. I understand that not one of them is happy with the new Charter, and none are willing to sign up to it. As we seem to be at something of an impasse, what steps will the Cabinet Member take to progress the issue towards a workable charter for all? Our community councils do fantastic work; all are volunteer members and at the moment are feeling very frustrated.

Reply: *County Councillor De'Ath*

I agree. Our Community Councils do fantastic work, along with their members, and we hold them in the highest of esteem.

Regarding the Charter, I've met with the representatives of the community councils and with the chair of the Standards and Ethics Committee some time ago. We went through a few issues around casework and other things that we managed to clear up. I understand subsequently, some issues have arisen regarding community councils and the allocation of monies from CIL and Section 106.

CIL is still open to consultation – there's a consultation workshop in about a fortnight's time where there's issues being raised also being discussed at the Standards and Ethics Committee in about a week's time. And I'm sure, through these mediums, we can find an amicable way forward.

Supplementary question: *County Councillor Graham Thomas*

Will you undertake to review the Charter as a whole and put on the Agenda for the new Monitoring Officer to discuss and consult further with Community Councils and consider achievable timescales for agreement and implementation?

Reply: *County Councillor De'Ath*

I'm more than happy to do that.

Question: *County Councillor Gordon*

Pavements are meant to provide refuge for pedestrians. What is the Council's position on cars that park on pavements and bicycles that are ridden on pavements?

Reply: *County Councillor Patel*

The Council does not endorse parking on pavements. Pavement parking is dangerous as it can obstruct the footway and force pedestrians into the path of oncoming traffic.

This is particularly dangerous for people who are visually impaired and are unable to see moving vehicles, but also those with reduced mobility, wheelchair or mobility scooter users, and parents with young children or buggies.

Vehicles parked on footways also cause pavement surfaces to crack and tarmac surfaces to subside. In some cases, even damaging pipes laid beneath the surface.

Cyclists should not ride on a pavement or footway unless it has been formally designated and signed for shared use by pedestrians and cyclists.

Supplementary question: *County Councillor Gordon*

That's heartening to hear what's meant to happen. I just wonder what we can do as a Council because very often, in the pub opposite my house, when they deliver the barrels, all lorries park on the pavements. All through the city you see people two wheels on and two wheels off, and I just wonder: have you got any view on how this can be stopped?

Reply: *County Councillor Patel*

I certainly understand the concerns you've got and I'm sure most people in this chamber have got similar concerns. I certainly have in my own ward as well.

It is the Police who have got the powers to enforce and I am happy to write to the Police on behalf of all you, if need be, and express my concerns to the Police about the dangers that this is causing and, not only that, but the obstructions it's causing as well. But the final decision, unfortunately, it is the police's decision if they decide to move those vehicles or not.

I'm sure you've experienced it, and I've experienced it. This item often comes up at Pact meetings as well and is often brought to our attention. But I'll certainly bring it to the attention of the police.

Supplementary question: County Councillor Dianne Rees

I'm very pleased to hear, Councillor Patel, that you are concerned about parking on the pavement because, as you quite rightly say, it is a problem throughout the whole of the city.

I'd like to point out that I have had some conversation with some of the police inspectors over these issues and they have agreed – the particular inspector I spoke to has agreed – that not only is parking on the pavement antisocial, it is actually a criminal offence in Section 72 of the Highways Act in 1835, which is actually still in force. And there are police forces throughout the country using Section 72 to prevent parking on the pavement, and that avoids arguments as to whether a vehicle is an obstruction or not.

I'm just going to quote to you from the Merseyside Police website: "It is an offence to drive onto the pavement and an offence to cause obstruction to other road users, including pedestrians."

But what I'd like to point out is that London actually has a policy of parking which prevents parking on the pavement. If you have that dialogue with the police, we should be able to enforce it throughout Cardiff. And it's a growing problem – one which needs to be addressed. And it needs some direction from the Council itself, so I would like to ask you the question: could you please create a parking policy for Cardiff?

Reply: County Councillor Patel

I think the most important issue here at the moment is it is an enforcement issue with the police, because the powers lie with the police. And it's very clear, as I made very clear in these Council chambers, I'm happy to write to the police. In fact, I'm happy to write to Alun Michael, the Police Commissioner and bring this matter to the attention of the Police Commissioner and for them to be able to pass it down to whichever officer to deal with it and hopefully they'll come back to me and come back with some answer.

Question: County Councillor Clark

The ruling administration forecasts that the 58% recycling target will be met for 2015/16 in Cardiff. Please could you provide the proportionate breakdown for these recycling figures by each of the following categories:

- Bottom ash
- Garden waste
- Street leaf sweepings
- Food waste
- Glass
- Paper



- Tin/metal
- Melted down former wheelie bins
- Other plastics excluding melted down former wheelie bins
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Please could a comparable breakdown also be provided for the 53% recycling figure achieved in 2014/15?

Reply: *County Councillor Derbyshire*

I can confirm, and I'm sure you'll be very pleased to hear that we have achieved the 58% recycling rate for 2015/16.

Officers are currently compiling a breakdown in the data to respond to your previous request at the Environmental Scrutiny Committee. So a full response will be provided in due course to the Chair of the Environmental Scrutiny Committee and I'll ensure that you also response to your specific request for a breakdown of these figures in due course.

Supplementary question: *County Councillor Clark*

I'm really disappointed about that because, currently, the administration does forecast a 58% recycling target, so you must have known what would constitute that. Unfortunately, the letter for various reasons was delayed going from the meeting where this was discussed and requested. That meeting was in May. So I'm disappointed, to be honest – this information should be very easily available and we can't have it today.

Reply: *County Councillor Derbyshire*

You may think it's easily available. I think you need to speak to the Officers and you will find out that actually it's not that easily available. There's lots of factors involved in this – not just the ones that you've bullet pointed. They are a number of them, but there are plenty of other things as well which constitute recycling. We have to ratify each of those separately with Welsh Government to make sure that we're actually on target.

As I said, you say you're disappointed – I thought you would have been pleased that we hit our recycling target because that saves the Council an awful lot of money.

Question: *County Councillor Hudson*

What action is the Council currently taking to prevent the subletting of social housing and what level of sub-letting is estimated to exist?

Reply: *County Councillor Elsmore*

The Council has a tenancy-fraud hotline, which enables residents to report any cases of suspected subletting. The hotline number is advertised in Tenants Times, through the Hubs, and on all correspondence sent out by Tenancy Officers.

Any report of subletting that is received is taken very seriously. Indeed, I want to emphasise that each individual reported case is investigated.

Supplementary question: *County Councillor Hudson*

I still haven't had an answer to what level of subletting is estimated to exist, please.

Reply: *County Councillor Elsmore*

You're quite right, Councillor Hudson. 75 cases were reported to the hotline in 2015/16. That represents .56% of our total housing stock.

Question: *County Councillor Mitchell*

Given that people in Cardiff are still being told that the previous administration's rejected "brownfield-only" LDP is a viable option, can he identify any viable brownfield sites that are not in flood plain areas which currently have no plans to build on them at present and can he outline the progress on those that are?

Reply: *County Councillor Michael*

There are no brownfield sites available that are not on a flood plain or not in the LDP at present. If any such sites do come forward, they will have already been factored into the LDP windfall allowance of 4807 dwellings.

Supplementary question: *County Councillor Mitchell*

The supplementary is again relating to literature put out during the election and previous elections that "47000 houses – new houses – are being built on *our* greenfields." Can you expose the dis-ingenuity of that statement?

Reply: *County Councillor Michael*

Look, there are still a small number of local politicians who still carry on misinforming, misleading the public. All they do is demonstrate a complete lack of understanding of the LDP and, frankly, any morals. And I take the view of the first officer, which is that if you live in fantasy land long enough, you become a fantasist.

Supplementary question: *County Councillor Clark*

I couldn't catch all your answer earlier. Could you indicate how many dwellings allocated to the brownfield sites in the LDP have yet to be built?

Reply: *County Councillor Michael*

No.

Question: *County Councillor Gordon*

Are barbecues and fires allowed to be lit in our Council parks and sports fields?

Reply: County Councillor Derbyshire

The Council does not permit barbecues or fires to be lit in its parks or sports fields unless such requests form part of a formal event application that has been approved through the Council's standard event booking procedure.

Supplementary question: County Councillor Gordon

What do you recommend we do, then, when on these lovely summer evenings that we had until the deluge started when, I think in Llandaff Fields one evening, I counted seven informal barbecue parties? Very often instant barbecues are just put straight onto the grass, regardless of whether that grass is part of a cricket wicket.

Reply: County Councillor Derbyshire

I think we have to be a little bit realistic about this. Obviously Park Rangers have to be a bit pragmatic, shall we say, about dealing with it. But, obviously, if there is an issue, especially if the ground is damaged, then I would suggest that what's important is that these incidents are reported to our Parks Department and so that action can be taken if necessary.

35 : URGENT BUSINESS

There was no urgent business

36 : COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

The Council received an update on the current membership of Committees following approval of party group nominations at Annual Council 26 May 2016; and was notified of changes received from Party Groups since that meeting.

RESOLVED – That the following changes to Committee Membership be approved

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Nomination</u>
Council Appeals Committee	Councillor Jayne Cowan to replace Councillor Dianne Rees
Policy Review & Performance Committee	Councillor Susan Goddard

37 : APPOINTMENTS OF MEMBERS TO SERVE ON OUTSIDE BODIES

The Council was requested to approve the appointment of Council representatives to outside bodies under the Local Choice functions.

RESOLVED – That the following appointments to Outside Bodies be approved : -

<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Nomination</u>
Cardiff University Court	Councillor Monica Walsh (Lord Mayor) to replace Councillor Walker

Organisation

Race Equality First

Nomination

Councillor Caro Wild

Board of the Welsh Joint Education  
Committee (WLGA Regional  
Representative)

Councillor Merry (Cabinet Member)

38 : PROGRAMME OF COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS 2016/17

The Council was requested to approve the full programme of all Council and Committee meetings for the period July 2016 to May 2017

RESOLVED – That

- (1) the programme of Council and Committees for July 2016 to May 2017 be approved;
- (2) delegated authority be approved for the Interim Monitoring Officer to make further amendments, if required, in consultation with Chairs of Committee.

39 : WRITTEN QUESTIONS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, CO-OPERATIVES AND SOCIAL ENTERPRISE  
(COUNCILLOR PETER BRADBURY)

WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR BRIDGES

Councillors were recently sent invitations to a PR reception being held by the army at City Hall on 23rd June. What was the cost to the army for holding this reception on council premises?

What would have been the equivalent cost to a private individual or commercial organisation?

Reply

The Army hired City Hall, including the Lower Hall and Assembly Rooms, on 23 June 2016 for a Transition Fair. The event aimed to inform serving Armed Forces personnel, families and veterans about the support that is available to them. It also sought to help ease the transition process from Service life to civilian life by introducing Service leavers to appropriate organisations and employers.

At the end of the event, the organisers also hosted a reception in the Marble Hall. The cost of the hire of the Marble Hall for the reception was £250. This was a reduced fee, charged on a pro rata basis, for a one hour extension (from 5pm to 6pm) to the wider venue hire on that day.

A minimum hire fee of £1500 per six hours would normally be charged for the use of the Marble Hall, but the reduced fee was applied as a result of the overall charges that were paid by the Army for the hire of City Hall, which were directly

comparable to those for private individuals or commercial organisations.

WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR HOWELLS

How many books have been withdrawn from the temporary library facility at the CRI since the facility was made available?

Reply

I can confirm that Roath Library customers are continuing to access library services. Our records show that there have been 42,991 transactions (i.e. issues and renewals of books) which can be attributed to registered Roath Library customers since November 2014 when Roath Library was closed temporarily due to maintenance issues. The majority of these issues have taken place at Splott, Penylan and Central Libraries.

The temporary facility at Cardiff Royal Infirmary (CRI) has only been open since March 2016 and has 400 books available. During the period from March to June 2016, there have been 49 book issues from the kiosk based at CRI; however, we do know both from the number of requests that the Neighbourhood Development Librarian has taken and the number of books we have restocked that more books are being loaned outside the system.

Steps are being taken to ensure that library customers are aware that the stock must be issued through the Library Management System via the kiosk. This will allow for more accurate formal reporting on stock issues and renewals at the CRI library.

Officers have been promoting the CRI library to date, but I have asked them to undertake further promotional work to ensure that local residents are fully aware of its location.

CORPORATE SERVICES AND PERFORMANCE (COUNCILLOR GRAHAM HINCHEY)

WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR HOWELLS

What is the frequency of grass cutting for the grassed areas around County Hall?

Reply

I can confirm that the cost of grounds maintenance at County Hall is met by the Facilities Management service and the areas of grassland are cut up to ten times per year. The actual number of cuts, as well as the timings and intervals between cuts, is dependent on a number of factors such as ground and weather conditions.

ENVIRONMENT (COUNCILLOR BOB DERBYSHIRE)

WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR BRIDGES

When will there be information available online to advise and support civic-minded residents who want to organise litter-picks in their communities?

Will the council also make available the necessary resources (gloves, grabbers etc.) for loan in order to support residents wishing to clean our streets?

Reply

The Waste Strategy Team is currently working to redevelop the Keep Cardiff Tidy website. A section of the new website will include information on how residents can get involved with community litter picks and other activities, as well as a calendar of events. We expect to launch this new website towards the end of July 2016.

The Council plays a leading role in facilitating community litter picks in the city, which are undertaken by resident groups and community groups such as the Cardiff Rivers Group. The annual Get It Out for Cardiff campaign also seeks to promote local resident involvement in helping to keep communities clean. We actively support community events where we can with staff, equipment, literature to hand out, recycling kits, and social media support etc.

In addition, the Council has a longstanding relationship with Keep Wales Tidy who we fund to support community litter picks. If volunteers want to get involved with litter picks, we do encourage them to sign up with Keep Wales Tidy, which has lots of appropriate equipment that can be loaned to volunteers. The Council's Street Cleansing Team will then arrange collection of the waste once the litter pick has been completed.

TRANSPORT, PLANNING AND SUSTAINABILITY (COUNCILLOR RAMESH PATEL)

WRITTEN QUESTION FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR BRIDGES

Please set out definitively the traffic/parking offences which can be enforced by council parking wardens, and those which remain within the purview of South Wales Police.

Please also explain which offences require the presence of road markings; my understanding is that South Wales Police can no longer book people for being parked within 10m of a junction (despite it being against the Highway Code) as junction parking now falls within the council's remit, but Cardiff Council officials cannot enforce the offence either unless there are double yellow lines.

Reply

The following parking offence is enforceable only by the Police:

- Obstruction – this would include parking dangerously at junctions and on

pavements even in the absence of yellow lines. What constitutes an obstruction is down to the discretion of the attending Police Officer/PCSO; however, parking within 10 metres of a junction is not in itself illegal. The Police may enforce parking within 10 metres of a junction on the basis of safety concerns.

The traffic contraventions that are enforced currently by both the Police and the Council are:

- Stopping on a pedestrian crossing or zig-zags at a pedestrian crossing
- Stopping in a restricted area outside a school when prohibited by Keep Clear Zones
- Being in a bus lane
- Stopping in a box junction when prohibited
- Performing a prohibited turn (no left/right/U-turn)
- Parking adjacent to a dropped footway, cycle track or verge including H-bar markings.

The parking contraventions that are enforced currently by the Council are:

- Parking in a restricted street during prescribed hours (yellow lines)
- Parking or loading/unloading in a restricted street where waiting and loading/unloading restrictions are in force (yellow lines with yellow kerb markings)
- Parking after expiry time on pay and display ticket
- Parking without clearly displaying a pay and display ticket
- Parking with payment made to extend the stay beyond initial time (meter-feeding)
- Parking in a resident permit bay without a valid permit or with an invalid permit
- Parking in a suspended bay
- Re-parking in the same parking place when prohibited – return parking restrictions.
- Parking in a place not designated for that class of vehicle
- Not parking correctly within the markings of the bay or space
- Parking in a loading place during restricted hours without loading
- Parking more than 50cm away from the kerb line
- Parking for longer than permitted
- Parking in a disabled persons' parking place without displaying a blue badge
- Stopping on a taxi rank
- Stopping on a bus stop
- Parking partially or wholly on a cycle lane
- Stopping in a restricted area outside a school when prohibited

The parking contraventions that are enforced currently by the Council, which do not require road markings, are:

- Parking more than 50cm away from the kerb line
- Parking adjacent to a dropped footway, cycle track or verge.

Chair: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_