

MINUTES

CABINET MEETING: 19 DECEMBER 2019

Cabinet Members Present: Councillor Huw Thomas (Leader)
Councillor Peter Bradbury
Councillor Susan Elsmore
Councillor Russell Goodway
Councillor Graham Hinchey
Councillor Sarah Merry
Councillor Lynda Thorne
Councillor Chris Weaver
Councillor Caro Wild

Observers: Councillor Joe Boyle
Councillor Keith Parry
Councillor Adrian Robson

Also:

Officers: Paul Orders, Chief Executive
Chris Lee, Section 151 Officer
Leanne Weston, for Monitoring Officer
Joanne Watkins, Cabinet Office

Apologies: Councillor Michael Michael

178 MINUTES OF THE CABINET MEETING HELD ON 21 NOVEMBER 2019

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 21 November 2019 be approved

179 CARDIFF COUNCIL LOCAL TOILET STRATEGY

Cabinet received the Local Toilet Strategy which had been prepared in accordance with Part 8 of the Public Health (Wales) Act 2017: Provision of Toilets which placed a duty on each local authority in Wales to prepare and publish a local toilets strategy. However, Cabinet was advised that the duty to prepare a local toilets strategy did not require local authorities to provide and maintain public toilets directly.

The strategy laid out the approach Cardiff was taking to providing good toilet facilities and changing places. The strategic approach over the last few years has been to move away from standalone toilets to having managed toilets within public

maintained facilities. Cardiff has successfully developed this approach through the Hub programme across Cardiff and by working with key stakeholders like St Davids / Dewi Sant.

The toilets across Cardiff are now indicated on the Welsh Government LLE website covering public toilet provision across the whole of Wales.

RESOLVED: that

1. the Cardiff Council Local Toilet Strategy (Appendix B to the report) be approved.
2. Authority be delegated to the Director of Planning, Transport & Environment to review the Cardiff Council Local Toilet Strategy according to legislation.

180 CORPORATE PARENTING ADVISORY COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

The Corporate Parenting Panel Annual report for 2018-19 was received. The report outlined the work of the committee including work around Bright Spots Your Life Your Care, examples of good practice in schools and working and listening to young people.

RESOLVED: that the content of the Corporate Parenting Panel Annual Report 2018-19 be noted

181 CORPORATE RISK MANAGEMENT QUARTER 2 2019/20

The risk management position at quarter 2 for 2019/20 was received which outlined the key risks facing the Council. It was reported that eight risks would be carried forward as SMT escalated risks at quarter two.

RESOLVED: that the content of the Corporate Risk Register be noted

182 CARDIFF'S SMART CITY ROAD MAP

The Cabinet considered approving the Smart City roadmap for public consultation. The document set out the aspirations to make Cardiff a smart city and to become an inclusive, sustainable, healthy and productive city that uses technology and data to enhance the lives of the people living, working and visiting the Capital. A consultation exercise would be carried out on the roadmap to enable citizens to engage and provided ideas for smart city initiatives.

RESOLVED: that the draft Smart City Roadmap be approved and a public consultation exercise be authorised.

183 CALCULATION OF COUNCIL TAX BASE

The Council tax base calculation for 2020/21 was received. The council tax base calculations have been reviewed to ensure that they reflect the current demographic makeup of properties and occupancy within the city.

RESOLVED: that

- (1) the calculation of the Council's tax base for the year 2020/21 be approved;
- (2) pursuant to this report and in accordance with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Tax Base) (Wales) Regulations 1995, as amended, the amount calculated by Cardiff Council as its Council Tax Base for the year 2020/21 shall be 147,277;
- (3) pursuant to this report and in accordance with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Tax Base) (Wales) Regulations 1995, as amended, the amounts calculated by the Council as the Council Tax Base for the year 2020/21 in the community areas subject to a precept shall be as follows:

Lisvane	2,499
Pentyrch	3,316
Radyr	3,841
St. Fagans	1,592
Old St. Mellons	2,047
Tongwynlais	820

- (4) the arrangements for the payment of precepts in 2020/21 to the Police and Crime Commissioner for South Wales to be by equal instalments on the last working day of each month from April 2020 to March 2021 and the Community Councils be by one payment on 1 April 2020, be on the same basis as that used in 2019/20 and the precepting authorities be advised accordingly.

**184 2020/2021 BUDGET PROPOSALS FOR CONSULTATION - PUBLICATION
TIMESCALES**

RESOLVED: that

- (1) the updated Budget Position for 2020/21 at Provisional Settlement Stage be noted
- (2) the proposed approach to Budget Consultation for 2020/21 proposals be agreed and it be noted that the formal budget consultation will commence on the 19th December 2019 and run until 31 January 2020. The results of the consultation process will then be considered by Cabinet in preparing their final 2020/21 budget proposal.
- (3) It be noted that the Chief Executive as Head of Paid Service will be issuing all necessary statutory and non-statutory employment consultation in respect of the staffing implications of the proposals.

**185 2020/21 BUDGET MODELLING UPDATE AND PROPOSALS FOR
CONSULTATION**

The Cabinet considered a report outlining the timescales for budget proposals for consultation together with an updated report outlining the proposals due to be

approved for public consultation. It was noted that the late publication of the proposals was due to the provisional settlement only being published on 16 December and the proposals needed to fully reflect the provisional settlement position.

It was reported that Cardiff would receive a slightly below average 4.1% increase in Aggregate External Finance and this had led to a required savings figure of £9.478m with efficiency savings making up £5,373000 of this figure.

RESOLVED: that

- (1) the updated Budget Position for 2020/21 at Provisional Settlement Stage be noted
- (2) the proposed approach to Budget Consultation for 2020/21 proposals be agreed and it be noted that the formal budget consultation will commence on the 19th December 2019 and run until 31 January 2020. The results of the consultation process will then be considered by Cabinet in preparing their final 2020/21 budget proposal.
- (3) It be noted that the Chief Executive as Head of Paid Service will be issuing all necessary statutory and non-statutory employment consultation in respect of the staffing implications of the proposals.

186 PACKAGE DEAL AT FORMER PADDLE STEAMER PUBLIC HOUSE, LOUDOUN SQUARE, BUTETOWN

The Appendix to this report is not for publication as it contains exempt information of the description contained in paragraph 14 of Part 4 and paragraph 21 of Part 5 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972

Cabinet received a report outlining a proposal to enter into a package deal contract with Willowmead Holdings Ltd for the development of 31 new apartments for council rent at Loudoun Square, subject to the satisfactory completion of due diligence, financial viability and achieving a planning consent. This would assist in the target of delivering 1000 new Council homes by March 2022. The proposed scheme was located in an area of high levels of housing need and would deliver 31 family apartments and a number of 1 and 2 bed flats.

RESOLVED: that authority be delegated to the Corporate Director for People & Communities, to enter into a fixed price contract (following due diligence set out in the report and an acceptable viability approval) with Willowmead Holdings Ltd for the development of 31 new apartments at the former Paddle Steamer public house site in Butetown.

187 IMPROVING ENERGY PERFORMANCE OF PRIVATE RENTED PROPERTIES ACROSS WALES

Cabinet received an update on the work being undertaken by Rent Smart Wales to secure improvements to the energy performance of the private rented sector homes. It was proposed that Rent Smart Wales lead on the Warm Homes

Fund All Wales bid which included provision for installation of 275 central heating systems by Cardiff Council across 16 local authority areas.

RESOLVED: that

1. the role Rent Smart Wales is taking in co-ordinating the initiative to improve the energy performance of private rented stock across Wales; including administration of the Warm Homes Funding be endorsed
2. authority be delegated to Corporate Director for Resources in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing and Communities to seek new funding sources to assist with improving the private rented sector and to accept and administer the funding on behalf of Welsh authorities.
3. authority be delegated to the Corporate Director for Resources in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing and Communities to vary the Rent Smart Wales MoU in place with local authorities to reflect changes required as described in the report.

188 THE SINGLE PERSON GATEWAY - TEMPORARY AND SUPPORTED ACCOMMODATION FOR SINGLE PEOPLE AND ACCOMMODATION & SUPPORT RECOMMISSIONING

The Cabinet received the response to the report by Community & Adult Services Scrutiny Committee entitled “Temporary and Supported Accommodation – The Single Persons Gateway” together with an update on the work to address single person homelessness in the city.

It was proposed that all 9 of the Scrutiny Committees recommendations be accepted in full or in principle.

The report also outlined the need to carry out a strategic review of the Single person gateway supported accommodation and in the interim it was proposed to work in partnership with existing providers to reconfigure services to better meet needs of current clients.

RESOLVED: that

1. the issues facing services assisting single homeless people be noted and the response to Community and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee regarding the Single Person Gateway set out at appendix 2 to the report be agreed
2. authority be delegated to the Assistant Director Housing and Communities, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing and Communities to take forward the reconfiguration of single person gateway accommodation services as set out in the report, including the ending of some contracts.
3. It be noted that a decision will be sought from the Corporate Director - People and Communities in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Well-being to carry out a procurement exercise on behalf of Cardiff, the Vale of Glamorgan and Bridgend Councils to establish a specialist regional service for male victims of domestic abuse and sexual violence.

189 LLANRUMNEY DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL

Appendices 2-3 and 5-7 of this report are not for publication as they contain exempt information of the description contained in paragraphs 14 of part 4 and paragraph 21 of part 5 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

Cabinet received a report outlining proposals to generate capital receipts through the disposal of Council owned land in Llanrumney to deliver a new bridge and road link between the Llanrumney estate and the A48. Furthermore the report outlined proposals for a new outdoor sports complex in Llanrumney.

RESOLVED: that

- (1) the development strategy set out in the report to deliver the new bridge and road link between the Llanrumney estate and the A48 be agreed
- (2) authority be delegated to the Director of Economic Development in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Investment and Development to market three parcels of Council owned land for disposal as illustrated in Appendix 4 and to return to a future meeting of Cabinet for authority to complete the transactions.
- (3) Agreement be given in principle to the Council's participation in delivering the proposed new Outdoor Sports Complex set out in Confidential Appendix 6 and authority be delegated to the Director of Economic Development in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Investment and Development to agree Heads of Terms in line with those set out in Confidential Appendix 7.

190 INDOOR ARENA UPDATE

Appendices 1 – 10 of this report and other legal advice referred to in this report or the appendices are not for publication as they contain exempt information of the description contained in paragraphs 14 of part 4, paragraph 16 of part 4 Schedule 12A, and paragraph 21 of part 5 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

Cabinet received an update on the ongoing procurement process to secure developer/operator consortium to deliver a new 15,000 capacity multi-purpose Indoor Arena at Atlantic Wharf, Cardiff Bay. It was reported that the process had reached a point where securing control of the Red Dragon Centre was now required.

RESOLVED: that

- i) progress with the procurement process to secure a developer/operator consortium to deliver the new Indoor Arena be noted;
- ii) authorisation be given to the acquisition of the RDC investment in line with the independent valuation and purchase report attached at Confidential Appendix 7 and the payment schedule attached at Confidential Appendix 9 and in accordance with the legal advice provided at Confidential Appendix 4;

- iii) agreement be given to the deferred payment set out in Confidential Appendix 6 payable in the event that a new Indoor Arena is brought forward on the Atlantic Wharf site illustrated by the red line boundary in the plan attached at Confidential Appendix 1;
- iv) it be noted that authorising the acquisition of the Red Dragon Centre investment will trigger the Indoor Arena affordability envelope, originally agreed as part of the Council approved Budget in February 2019, and therefore requiring relevant adjustments to the Budgetary Framework for 2019/20 agreed by Council in February 2019.
- v) Approval be given to a new financial strategy as part of the procurement process as to the available funding models which bidders are able and required to submit their final tenders on and, for any grant and/or income strip commitment the Council may be required to provide as detailed in this report and set out in Confidential Appendix 3; and
- vi) authority be delegated to the Director of Economic Development to appropriate land for planning purposes as set out in this report.