CARDIFF COUNCIL CYNGOR CAERDYDD



MINUTES

CABINET MEETING: 13 JUNE 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: Councillor Ramesh Patel (Min 2)

Officers: Paul Orders, Chief Executive

Chris Lee, Section 151 Officer Davina Fiore, Monitoring Officer Joanne Watkins, Cabinet Office

Apologies: Councillor Michael Michael

124 MINUTES OF THE CABINET MEETING HELD ON 16 MAY 2019

The minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 16 May 2019 were approved.

125 TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL SCRUTINY COMMITTEE ENTITLED 'LITTER & FLYTIPPING IN CARDIFF

Councillor Ramesh Patel presented the report of the Environmental Scrutiny Committee entitled 'Litter & Flytipping in Cardiff'. The report contained a number of recommendations covering areas such as Resource Allocation and Techmology, Enforcement and Fines, Education and Awareness, Bins, Volunteering, Litter in general, Fast food, Flytipping. Dog fouling, Smoking related litter and Chewing Gum.

RESOLVED: that the report Environmental Scrutiny Committee entitled 'Litter & Flytipping in Cardiff' be received and a response be provided by October 2019

126 WELSH LANGUAGE STANDARDS: ANNUAL REPORT 2018-19

Cabinet considered the Welsh language standards report for 2018-19 which was a statutory requirement of the Welsh language standards introduced in 2016. The report detailed the Council's performance in relation to the Welsh language across a number of areas. The report also included a new action plan for the Bilingual Cardiff Strategy, in accordance with the recommendations of an external review into the strategy last year.

RESOLVED: that Council be recommended to:

- (1) Approve the Welsh Language Standards Annual Report 2018-19 (attached as Appendix A) and agree the report prior to publication in accordance with the Welsh Language Standards (Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011).
- (2) Approve the revised Bilingual Cardiff Strategy Action plan (attached as Appendix 1)

127 CABINET RESPONSE TO THE ECONOMY & CULTURE SCRUTINY REPORT 'EVENTS IN CARDIFF'

The Cabinet received the response to the Economy and Culture Scrutiny Committee report entitled Events in Cardiff. 11 recommendations were accepted either fully or partially and one recommendation was rejected. Cabinet noted that Cardiff was widely recognised as a city that excelled at delivering events.

RESOLVED: that the response to the 'Events in Cardiff' report of the Economy & Culture Scrutiny Committee as set out in Appendix A to the report be approved

128 21ST CENTURY SCHOOLS BAND 8: REDEVELOPMENT OF CANTONIAN, RIVERBANK AND WOODLANDS SCHOOLS

A report containing details of the responses received during the consultation on proposals regarding the redevelopment of Cantonian High School, Riverbank Special School and Woodlands High School was received. It was reported that there was a broadly positive response to the proposals although there had been some concerns raised regarding traffic in the area although it was noted that transport assessments would be carried out. Concerns relating to the shared space on site were to be mitigated by reducing the proposed expansion of Riverbank Special School.

RESOLVED: that

- 1. statutory notices be issued to:
 - Increase the capacity of Cantonian High from 6 forms of entry (6FE) to eight forms of entry (8FE) with sixth form provision for up to 250 pupils in new build accommodation;
 - Expand the Specialist Resource Base (SRB) for learners with an Autism Spectrum Condition (ASC), hosted at Cantonian High School from 20 to 30 places in purpose built accommodation in the new school buildings;

- Transfer Woodlands Special School to the Doyle Avenue site and increase the capacity from 140 places to 240 places in new build accommodation;
- Transfer Riverbank Special School to the Doyle Avenue site and increase the capacity from 70 to 112 places in new build accommodation.
- 2. It be noted that if objections to the published statutory notice are received, the Council would publish a summary of these objections and the Council's response to those objections.
- 3. It be noted that within 35 days of the end of the objection period the Council will forward copies of the statutory objections in addition to the objection report to the Welsh Ministers for determination of the proposal.
- 4. It be noted that the Cabinet will receive a subsequent report on further proposals to increase the number of special school places for primary age children with complex learning needs.

129 AIR QUALITY FEASIBILITY STUDY FINAL PLAN - FULL BUSINESS CASE AND CITY CENTRE TRANSPORT IMPROVEMENTS

The Cabinet received a report outfling the preferred option to address the legal direction Cardiff Council received from Welsh Government- Environment Act 1995 (feasibility study for Nitrogen Dioxide Compliance) Air Quality Direction 2018. The preferred option identified measures that are aimed at achieving compliance with legal limits and reducing air pollution as low as reasonably practicable to protect and improve the public health of Cardiff citizens. One of the key elements of the measures were the city centre transport schemes and approval for progressing these schemes was sought.

RESOLVED: that

- 1. the outcome of the public consultation on the Preferred Option as set out in paragraphs 66-71 of the report be noted
- 2. the Clean Air Feasibility Study Final Plan (Full Business Case) for submission to Welsh Government no later than the 30th June 2019 be approved
- 3. authority be delegated to the Director of Planning, Transport and Environment, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning & Transport, to make any necessary amendments to the Final Plan, provided no fundamental changes to the agreed Preferred Option occurs as result of the amendments.
- 4. the wider Clean Air Strategy and Action Plan included as Appendix C in the Final Plan be approved
- 5. authority be delegated to the Director of Planning, Transport and Environment in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning & Transport to

assess the feasibility of implementing a Low Emission Zone for Buses and/ or Quality Partnership Scheme.

- 6. the undertaking of public consultation on the concept designs of proposed City Centre Improvement Schemes be approved namely:
 - a. City Centre North
 - b. City Centre West
 - c. City Centre East
- 7. Authority be delegated to the Director of Planning, Transport and Environment, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning & Transport, to progress and approve detailed design of works, taking account of feedback to the public consultation and to progress the necessary Traffic Regulation Orders.
- 8. Having regard to legal and procurement advice (and the caveats set out in paragraph 135 of the report) approval be given to proceed to Tender of a contractor on the following schemes;
 - a) City Centre West Phase 1
 - b) City Centre North Phase 1
 - c) City Centre East Phase 1,
- 9. a further report on the City Centre Schemes be recieved prior to contract award.

130 **OUTTURN REPORT**

The Cabinet considered the Outturn report for 2018-19 which advised of the financial position for the Council at the end of the 2018-19 financial year. It was reported that a balanced position had been achieved with the Council maintaining its spending within its overall net budget of £609 million in 2018/19 after contributions to and from earmarked reserves. It was reported that schools balances had decreased and the HRA showed a balanced position.

RESOLVED: that

- (1) the report and the actions taken in respect of the Council's accounts for 2018/19 be approved
- (2) it be noted that this report will form an Appendix to the Financial Statements report to be considered at the Council meeting in September 2019

131 CARDIFF BUS - LOAN FOR ACQUISITION OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES

Cabinet considered a report outlining details of a request received from Cardiff Bus in relation to the Council providing the bus company with a loan of £3.8 million over a three year period for investment in electric vehicles. This would facilitate a grant offer of up to £5.7 million from the Department for Transport. It was proposed that ensure that there is no impact on the council tax payer the rate chargeable on the loan would be in excess of that which the Council would access from the Public Works Loans Board and that security would be sought for the loan.

RESOLVED: that

- 1. the granting of a loan to Cardiff Bus from the Council for £2.0 million for the purchase of electric vehicles subject to conclusion of a legal agreement, to include appropriate security arrangements, between the Council and Cardiff Bus in respect of the terms of the loan
- 2. In line with the Council's Budgetary Framework, further Council approval be sought when required and if appropriate, in terms of spend commitments and in line with DFT grant conditions, for a further loan to Cardiff Bus for £1.8 million.
- 3. the Corporate Director Resources in consultation with the Director of Governance & Legal Services and the Cabinet Member for Finance, Modernisation and Performance be delegated the authority to prepare and conclude of the legal agreements between the Council and Cardiff Bus in respect of approved loans.