

**MINUTES**

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CABINET MEETING: 15 JULY 2021

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Cabinet Members Present:	Councillor Huw Thomas (Leader) Councillor Peter Bradbury  Councillor Russell Goodway Councillor Graham Hinchey Councillor Sarah Merry Councillor Michael Michael Councillor Lynda Thorne Councillor Chris Weaver Councillor Caro Wild
Observers:	Councillor Keith Parry Councillor Adrian Robson Councillor Rhys Taylor
Officers:	Paul Orders, Chief Executive Chris Lee, Section 151 Officer Leeanne Weston, For Monitoring Officer Sarah McGill, Corporate Director Joanne Watkins, Cabinet Office
Apologies:	Councillor Susan Elsmore

**12 MINUTES OF THE CABINET MEETING HELD ON 17 JUNE 2021**

The minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 17 June 2021 were approved.

**13 ANNUAL WELLBEING PLAN**

The Cabinet received the Annual Wellbeing report for 2020/21 financial year which focused specifically on progress of the Well-being Objectives that were set out previously in the Council's Corporate Plan 2020-23. The assessment drew on a range of information sources, including not just progress against Corporate Plan Steps and KPIs, but also the financial monitoring position, assessment of corporate risk, as well as other sources of information such as the Ask Cardiff Citizen Satisfaction Survey.

The assessment contained within this report also reflects the judgements of external regulators.

**RESOLVED:** that

1. Authority be delegated to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance, Modernisation & Performance, to make any consequential changes to the Annual Well-being Report 2020/21 following receipt of comments from the Policy Review and Performance Scrutiny Committee.
  2. Subject to recommendation 1, the Annual Well-being Report 2020/21 be approved for consideration by Council.
- 14 **ENGLISH-MEDIUM PRIMARY SCHOOL PROVISION TO SERVE PARTS OF CREIGIAU & ST FAGANS, PENTYRCH AND RADYR / MORGANSTOWN**

A report outlining proposals for a public consultation on a proposal to increase the number of primary school places at Pentyrch Primary School from 140 places to 210 places and to establish nursery provision of 48 part-time places at the school was considered.

**RESOLVED:** that

1. Officers be authorised to consult on proposals to increase the capacity of Pentyrch Primary School from c0.7FE (140 places) to 1FE (210 places), and to extend the age range of the school from 4-11 to 3-11, from September 2023.
  2. It be noted that officers will bring a report on the outcome of the consultation to a future meeting to seek authorisation as to whether to proceed to publish proposals in accordance with section 48 of The School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013.
- 15 **SCHOOL ORGANISATION PROPOSALS: PROVISION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WITH ADDITIONAL LEARNING NEEDS**

The Cabinet received a report containing proposals to hold public consultation on proposals to transfer, expand and redevelop The Court Special School in line with the Band B 21<sup>st</sup> Century Schools priority scheme, and on the proposed establishment of specialist learning resource base provision at Moorland Primary School. The proposals would help to meet demand for special school places for primary age learners with emotional health and wellbeing needs and complex learning needs.

**RESOLVED:** that

1. officers be authorised to consult on proposals to:
  - Increase the capacity of The Court Special School from 42 to 72 places. The school would transfer to new build accommodation across two sites at Fairwater Primary School and the current St Mellons, CiW Primary School site in Llanrumney from September 2025.

- Establish a Specialist Resource Base (specialist resource base) for up to 20 primary aged children with Complex Learning Needs (CLN) at Moorland Primary School from September 2022.
2. It be noted that officers will bring a report on the outcome of the consultation to a future meeting to seek authorisation as to whether to proceed to publish proposals in accordance with section 48 of The School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013.

## 16 BUDGET STRATEGY

Cabinet received a report which provided an update on the Medium Term Financial plan and budget strategy for 2022/23. The report outlined the budget gap for the 2022/23 budget and set out a strategy to meet that gap. The report also identified key impacts on financial planning including the economic context, Brexit and COVID19 together with other key issues such as funding and pay which would need to be kept under review.

### **RESOLVED:** that

- (1) Agreement be given to the budget principles on which this Budget Strategy Report is based and the approach to meeting the Budget Reduction Requirement both in 2022/23 and across the period of the Medium Term Financial Plan within the context of the objectives set out in Capital Ambition.
- (2) directorates work with the relevant Portfolio Cabinet Member, in consultation with the Corporate Director Resources and Cabinet Member for Finance, Modernisation and Performance to identify potential savings to assist in addressing the indicative budget gap of £21.310 million for 2022/23 and £80.853 million across the period of the Medium Term Financial Plan.
- (3) Authority be delegated to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance, Modernisation and Performance, to implement any saving proposal in advance of 2022/23 where no policy recommendation is required or where a policy decision has already been taken.
- (4) It be noted that work will continue to update and refresh the MTFP and that this will be reported to Members as appropriate.
- (5) Council be recommended to agree that the Budget Timetable Framework set out in Appendix 2 be adopted, and that the work outlined is progressed with a view to informing budget preparation.
- (6) consultation on 2022/23 budget proposals take place in order to inform the preparation of the draft 2022/23 Budget.

## 17 NNDR WRITE OFFS

***Appendices A and B to this report are exempt from publication by virtue of paragraph 14 of Part 4 and paragraph 21 of Part 5 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972***

The Cabinet received a report seeking formal authorisation to write off Non-Domestic Rate debts which exceed £100,000 in value. This request is made in accordance with Part 3, section 2, of the Cardiff Council Constitution, Executive Decision making function number 20

**RESOLVED:** that authorisation be given to write off debts amounting to £1,166,148.51

**18 HOUSING DEVELOPMENT NEW BUILD SCHEMES - AUTHORITY TO PROCEED.**

***Appendices 1 and 2 of the report are not for publication as they contain exempt information of the description in paragraph 14 of part 4 and paragraph 21 of Part 5 of schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.***

A report seeking approval for the Council to enter into a number of agreements to help deliver against its new build housing targets was received. It was proposed that a legal agreement be entered into with Linc Housing Association to purchase the former Michaelston Pub site off Drope Road, Ely to deliver new council housing and would compliment the wider masterplan for the Michaelston college site.

Approval was also sought to enter into a Collaboration Agreement with Hafod Housing Association to jointly develop the former Lansdown Hospital site and adjoining council (HRA) owned land to deliver a total of 106 new affordable homes of which 38 (40%) would be council homes.

Further the report also provided details of proposed strategic support for Linc Housing Association in relation to the allocation of Social Housing Grant for the delivery of new social housing units with Willis Construction Ltd on the former Morrisons Local site, Pentwyn.

**RESOLVED:** that

1. Approval be given to the Council entering into an acquisition contract with Linc Housing Association for the freehold interest of the former Michaelston Pub site, Drope Road to enable the site to be included with the wider Michaelston College development scheme.
2. Authority be delegated to the Corporate Director for People & Communities, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing & Communities to approve and enter into a Collaboration Agreement with Hafod Housing Association to jointly deliver 106 new affordable homes (38 council) at the former Lansdown Hospital site and adjoining HRA land in accordance with the terms set out in the body of this report.

**19 VELODROME & INTERNATIONAL SPORTS VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY UPDATE**

***The appendices of this report are not for publication as they contains exempt information of the description contained in paragraphs 14, 16 and 21 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.***

Cabinet received a report containing the Outline Business Case for the development of a new Velodrome at the International Sport Village following the approval of the masterplan for the ISV in March. The report contained details of the business and financial plan, including anticipated revenue opportunity to finance the required capital loan and sought approval to proceed to develop a full business case.

**RESOLVED:** that the business plan report attached at Confidential Appendix 2 to the report be approved and agreement in principle be given to the allocation of the budget required to deliver the Velodrome at the International Sports Village as set out in the report subject to final approval of the Full Business Case at a future Cabinet meeting.

## 20 ATLANTIC WHARF UPDATE

*Appendices 1 to 9 of this report are not for publication as they contain exempt information of the description contained in paragraphs 14, 16 and 21 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.*

An update on the new Indoor Arena Project was received together with details of changes to the Atlantic Wharf masterplan following further commercial appraisal and feasibility consideration. It was proposed that the redevelopment of the Red Dragon Centre (RDC) be delivered in 2 phases, with the first phase located on the site previously proposed for a stand-alone office development allowing the redevelopment of the RDC to proceed in advance of the current Red Dragon Centre being demolished and would enable all existing tenants to be retained

The report also contained details of the outline business case for the new multi-storey car park which recommended that the Council construct and operate the new car park. Approval was sought for the development of a full business case.

**RESOLVED:** that

1. progress on the Indoor Arena be noted and that a report will be presented to Cabinet seeking authority to enter into a Development Agreement with the Preferred Bidder in September.
2. Approval be given to the Multi-Storey Car Park OBC attached at Confidential Appendix 2 and the development of a Full Business Case (FBC) as set out in this report and in line with the rationale and details set out in Confidential Appendix 5 be authorised
3. Approval be given to the development of an Outline Business Case to consider options for the redevelopment of the Red Dragon Centre including a soft market testing exercise and authority be delegated to the Director of Economic Development, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Investment and Development, the Section 151 Officer and the Legal Officer to

agree the Council's contribution to the hybrid planning application, as set out in this report.

4. Approval be given to the MOU attached at Confidential Appendix 8 and authority be delegated to the Director of Economic Development in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Investment and Development, the Section 151 Officer and the Legal Officer to negotiate a delivery strategy.

## 21 **CABINET RESPONSE TO THE COMMUNITY & ADULT SERVICES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE REPORT ENTITLED 'CLOSER TO HOME'**

The Cabinet received a report containing the Cabinet's response to report of the Community and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee entitled 'Closer to Home Project: Out of County Placements for Adults with a Learning Disability'. The scrutiny report set out 65 key findings and 30 recommendations. 20 recommendations have been fully agreed, 9 have been partially agreed and one recommendation will not be possible due to statutory guidance.

**RESOLVED:** that the response to the recommendations of the report of Community and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee entitled 'Closer to Home Project: Out of County Placements for Adults with a Learning Disability', as set out in appendix 2 be approved

## 22 **LOCAL AUTHORITY SOCIAL SERVICES ANNUAL REPORT 2020/21**

The Cabinet received the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Report of Local Authority Social Services (Appendix 1) as required under Part 8 of the Social Services and Well-Being (Wales) Act 2014 (SSWB Act). The priorities for action identified in the Annual Report were reflected in the Directorate Delivery Plans for Children's and Adult Services for 2020/21.

**RESOLVED:** that the Local Authority's Social Services Annual Report for 2020/21 be approved for consideration by Council.

## 23 **A BUS STRATEGY FOR CARDIFF**

The Cabinet considered a report seeking approval for public consultation and engagement to develop a Bus Strategy for Cardiff. It was proposed that the preparation of the Bus Strategy be informed by public consultation and engagement with key stakeholders with the strategy seeking to ensure that Cardiff had excellent bus services that will address the needs of both current and potential passengers in Cardiff. The strategy would contain high level and strategic options for enhanced bus based public transport in Cardiff, which would inform a package of transport measures and initiatives described as 'Big Moves'. These strategic actions would collectively enable Bus working in a way that is integrated with Metro to become an effective mass public transit system for Cardiff.

**RESOLVED:** that

1. Approval be given to the undertaking public consultation and engagement to develop a Bus Strategy for Cardiff.

2. Authority be delegated to the Director of Planning, Transport and Environment, subject to consultation with the Cabinet Member Strategic Planning and Transport, Cabinet Member Finance, Modernisation & Performance, s.151 Officer and Director Governance and Legal Services to determine and approve the final form and content of the public consultation and engagement on Cardiff Council's behalf and to deal with all ancillary matters relating thereto in preparing the Bus Strategy.
3. It be noted that there will be a further report on the draft Bus Strategy for approval.

## 24 ACTIVE TRAVEL NETWORK MAP

The draft active travel network map was received. The map set out Cardiff's plan for active travel infrastructure development over the next 15 years and approval was sought for a 12 week statutory consultation.

**RESOLVED:** that

1. the consultation plan to undertake a statutory 12-week consultation on the Draft Active Travel Network Map be approved
2. authority be delegated to the Director of Planning, Transport & Environment to consider the feedback to the consultation on the draft Active Travel Network Map and approve any amendments thereto that are considered appropriate.
3. Authority be delegatemy to the Director of Planning, Transport & Environment to submit the final version of the Active Travel Network Map to the Welsh Ministers for approval in accordance with the timetable set out by Welsh Government

## 25 CYCLEWAY 1.2 APPOINTMENT OF PRINICIPAL CONTRACTOR

**Appendix 2 of the report is not for publication as it contains exempt information pursuant to the provisions of Schedule 12A Part 4 paragraph 16 of the Local Government Act 1972**

A report seeking approval to award the contract for the construction of Cycleway 1.2 to the winning contractor: Horan Construction Ltd was received.

**RESOLVED:** that the contract for the construction of Cycleway 1.2 be awarded to Horan Construction Ltd.