

MINUTES

CABINET MEETING: 22 JUNE 2023

Cabinet Members

Present: Councillor Huw Thomas (Leader)
Councillors Peter Bradbury/ Julie Sangani (job share)
Councillor Jennifer Burke
Councillor Dan De'Ath
Councillor Russell Goodway
Councillors Norma Mackie/ Ash Lister (job share)
Councillor Sarah Merry
Councillor Lynda Thorne
Councillor Chris Weaver
Councillor Caro Wild

Observers: Councillor Andrea Gibson
Councillor Adrian Robson
Councillor Rodney Berman

Officers: Paul Orders, Chief Executive
Chris Lee, Section 151 Officer

Davina Fiore, Monitoring Officer
Sarah McGill, Corporate Director
Claire Deguara, Cabinet Office

1. MINUTES OF THE CABINET MEETING HELD ON 18 MAY 2023

The minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 18 May 2023 were approved.

2. WELSH LANGUAGE STANDARDS: ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023

The Cabinet considered the content of the Welsh Language Standards Annual Report 2021-22, prior to formal publication in accordance with the Welsh Language Standards, under the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011.

The report reflects the work undertaken by the Council and its partners to meet the requirement of the Welsh Language Standards and the implementation of Bilingual Cardiff.

RESOLVED: that Council be recommended to approve the Welsh Language Standards Annual Report 2022-2023 (attached as **Appendix A**) prior to formal publication in accordance with the Welsh Language Standards (Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011).

3. TENNIS IN PARKS

Cabinet received a report setting out the proposed investment from Tennis Wales to refurbish circa 30 tennis courts across 6 park sites in Cardiff. This investment will help to secure and protect the future of tennis courts and tennis participation across the city for future generations and is aligned to the objectives in the Cardiff Physical Activity and Sport Strategy.

It was noted that some suggested sites are held in Trust, such sites will require the Council to ensure that the proposals align with the articles of the trust and will be subject to a future decision taken by Cabinet in their capacity as Trustee.

RESOLVED: that

- 1) The proposed agreement with Tennis Wales as set out in this report be approved.
- 2) The three tennis court sites identified in this report be included in the agreement.
- 3) Authority be delegated to the Director of Economic Development in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Culture, Parks and Events and the Legal Officer to:
 - a. identify a further three tennis court sites to be included in the agreement subject to appropriate due diligence and governance relating to any Trust arrangements and/or restrictive covenants;
 - b. enter into Licence Agreements/Management Agreements as required for the sites included in the scheme.
- 4) It be noted that further reports will need to be presented back to Cabinet as Trustee to approve the inclusion of any sites subject to Charitable Trusts.

4. PENTWYN LEISURE CENTRE

Appendices 2, 3, 4 and 5 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

Cabinet considered a report detailing the proposals to redevelop Pentwyn Leisure Centre. The revised plan will retain Cardiff rugby, see a new lease for padel tennis, a

new external 3G pitch and swimming pool, a new gym, café, and soft play area will also be delivered as part of the new scheme.

Cabinet highlighted that dialogue with the community will need to continue, and the project emerges.

An amendment to the recommendations within the published report were circulated at the meeting.

RESOLVED: that

- 1) The proposed scheme for Pentwyn Leisure Centre be approved as illustrated by the design plans at Appendix 1 and the financial proposal at Confidential Appendix 3 and authority be delegated to the Director of Economic Development in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Culture, Parks and Events, the Section 151 Officer, and the Monitoring Officer to:
 - i. Undertake a public consultation on the proposals and consider potential changes as required within the limits of the approved budget set out at Confidential Appendix 3;
 - ii. Deal with all aspects of the procurement of a contractor(s) to undertake the works set out in this report subject to the financial envelope set out at Confidential Appendix 3;
 - iii. Conclude lease agreements with tenants on the terms set out at Confidential Appendices 3 and 4, subject to detailed due diligence and independent valuation to demonstrate best value.
- 2) The solar energy scheme as set out at Confidential Appendix 5 be approved.
- 3) Authority be delegated to the Director of Economic Development in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Culture, Parks and Events, the Section 151 Officer, and the Legal Officer to deal with all aspects of the procurement of a contractor(s) to deliver the solar energy scheme as set out in this report and at Confidential Appendix 5, subject to the financial envelope set out at Confidential Appendix 5.

5. Outturn

Appendix 7 of this report is not for publication as it contains exempt information of the description in paragraphs 14 and 21 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

The Cabinet received the Outturn report for the 2022/23 financial year which provided an assessment of the Council financial position for that year compared with the Council approved budget. It was noted that the Council continues to face significant challenges to its financial resilience due to legacy of the pandemic, energy pricing, pay and cost of living crisis pressures.

The report also provided a summary Treasury Management Statement in respect of investments and borrowings.

RESOLVED: that

- 1) The report and actions taken in respect of the Council's Revenue and Capital Outturn position for 2022/23, be noted.
- 2) It be noted that this report will form an appendix to the Financial Statements report to be considered at a Council meeting in the Autumn of 2023.

6. CORE OFFICE STRATEGY

Appendix 1 of this report is not for publication as it contains exempt information of the description contained in paragraphs 14, 16 and 21 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

The Cabinet considered a report providing an update on the Core Office Strategy Outline Business Case. It was noted that the current budget required to run core office estate would need to be substantially increased in future years if the existing estate was retained and therefore consideration must be given the most cost and carbon efficient alternatives.

The report presents various options for the Core Office Estate and their associated costs. It was noted that the emerging preference is to build new office accommodation as this presents the most cost and carbon efficient option. The report recognises the challenges of maintaining historic buildings which play an important part in the civic life of the city and commits to addressing these issues.

RESOLVED: that

- 1) The Outline Business Case for the Core Office Strategy attached at **Confidential Appendix 1**, be approved.
- 2) 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 deliver the proposed Interim Strategy for City Hall as outlined in this report and at **Confidential Appendix 1** within allocated budgets.
- 3) The development of a Full Business Case for the preferred option as set out in this report and at **Confidential Appendix 1** be authorised.

7. CORPORATE PARENTING ADVISORY COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023

The Corporate Parenting Advisory Committee Annual report for 2022-23 was received. The report outlined the work of the committee, including engagement with children and young people, Bright Sparks awards. The report also detailed updates taken to the Committee such as National Youth Advocacy Service, Voices from Care Cymru, Update in relation to Virtual School and Virtual Headteacher.

RESOLVED: that Council be recommended to note the content of the Corporate Parenting Advisory Committee Annual Report 2022-2023.

8. CARDIFF & VALE REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP BOARD – JOINT AREA PLAN 2023-2028

Cabinet Considered the Cardiff & Vale Regional Partnership Board (RPB) Joint Area Plan 2023-28. The RPB's Joint Area Plan sits alongside Cardiff's Public Service Board (PSB) Wellbeing Plan and the Vale of Glamorgan's PSB Wellbeing Plan to provide a whole system approach to improving the health and wellbeing of the population of the Cardiff and Vale region. The joint plan covers the key life stages Starting Well, Living Well and Ageing Well, and focuses on prevention, provision of care closer to home, inclusivity and diversity, sustainability, and social value.

RESOLVED: that the Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan Regional Partnership Board Area Plan 2023-2028 (as set out in Appendix A) be approved.

9. CARDIFF REPLACEMENT LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2021 TO 2036: PREFERRED STRATEGY FOR CONSULTATION

Cabinet considered the Replacement LDP preferred strategy for consultation. The Replacement LDP is prepared in accordance with the process and timetable set out in the Delivery Agreement agreed by Welsh Government in March 2021. It was noted that approval of the Preferred Strategy will be followed by a formal consultation and engagement exercise between July and September 2023.

The report sets out the key elements of the preferred strategy which include; meeting future needs – aiming to deliver 32,300 new jobs and 26,400 new dwellings over the Plan period (equivalent to 1% growth per annum), development of sustainable neighbourhoods, sustainable transport and active travel, alignment with One Planet Cardiff tackling climate change, decarbonisation, and renewable energy, protecting biodiversity and the environment.

RESOLVED: that Council be recommended to

- 1) Approve the Replacement Local Development Plan Preferred Strategy (as set out in Appendix 1) for consultation purposes.

- 2) Approve the revised timetable for preparation of the Replacement Local Development Plan as set out in this report so it can be formally submitted to Welsh Government for their consideration and agreement.