

MINUTES

CABINET MEETING: 21 SEPTEMBER 2023

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

Observers: Councillor Adrian Robson
Councillor Rodney Berman

Also:

Officers: Paul Orders, Chief Executive
Chris Lee, Section 151 Officer
Richard Crane, Solicitor
Sarah McGill, Corporate Director
Claire Deguara, Cabinet Office

Apologies:

130 MINUTES OF THE CABINET MEETING OF 12 JULY 2023

The minutes of the Cabinet meeting of 12 July 2023 were approved.

**131 TO RECEIVE THE ECONOMY & CULTURE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
INQUIRY REPORT ENTITLED - CARDIFF MUSEUM**

Cllr Bradbury declared a personal interest in this item.

Councillor Wong presented the Economy & Culture Scrutiny Committee Inquiry report regarding Cardiff Museum. The Inquiry report has 48 key findings and 19 recommendations.

RESOLVED: that the report of the Economy & Culture Scrutiny Committee Inquiry report entitled "Cardiff Museum" be received and a response provided within two cycles.

132 SHARED PROSPERITY FUND UPDATE

Cllr Wild declared a personal and prejudicial interest in this item, Cllr Wild left the meeting during consideration of this item.

Cabinet received a report providing an update on the delivery of the Shared Prosperity fund. The report details next steps for delivery and highlights a revised delivery plan.

It was noted that the Council has successfully delivered a programme of activity for year one of the Shared Prosperity Fund. This has seen a total of £5,204,258 spent in the period up to the end of March 2023. The report also highlights the additions to the year one profile.

RESOLVED that:

1. the draft Shared Prosperity Fund Programme and Review as set out in Appendix A be approved.
2. Authority be delegated to the Director of Economic Development in consultation with the Leader of the Council, the Section 151 officer and the Monitoring Officer to make minor changes to the approved Shared Prosperity Fund Programme referred to in recommendation 1 above if required following any further discussions with the organisations referred to in paragraph 29.
3. the funding to be allocated for the delivery of the projects identified in paragraphs 30 to 31 be approved.
4. Authority be delegated to the Director of Economic Development to allocate any programme underspends to the Open Call scheme identified in paragraphs 16 to 21.
5. Authority be delegated to the Assistant Director, Housing and Communities to conclude any grant arrangements as a result of the Open Call as outlined in paragraph 21.

133 BUDGET MONITORING MONTH 4

The Cabinet received details of the projected 2023/24 financial monitoring position as at the end of July 2023 (Month 4) adjusted for any significant amendments since that date, against the budget approved by Council on 9th March 2023.

It was noted that the Council continues to face unprecedented challenges in terms of financial resilience which will require close monitoring and management during this year and into the medium term. Furthermore, it was reported that the overall monitoring position as at Month 4, reflects a total projected net annual Council overspend of £6.457 million. This position is detailed in Appendix 1 and includes a total directorate net overspend of £7.457 million, partly offset by an underspend against the capital financing budget of £1 million.

It was reported that there was budgetary pressures in several service areas, with the most significant pressures being faced in Children's attributed to the placement costs for the authority's children looked after. Pressures in Economic Development were attributed to income shortfalls, and within Education there are pressures within Home to School Transport, Out of County placements and Catering. It was reported that mitigating actions were being put in place to reduce and offset the impact the overspends.

RESOLVED that

the projected revenue financial outturn based on the projected position at Month 4 2023/24 be noted

the capital spend and projected position at Month 4 2023/24 be noted.

134 **CORPORATE RISK MANAGEMENT - QUARTER 4 2022/23**

The Cabinet received the updated risk management position at quarter 4 for 2022/23. The change to the corporate risk around budget monitoring was noted. It was also noted that Housing & Communities have a new escalated risk on their Directorate Risk Register that monitors the support residents of the city are receiving during the Cost-of-Living crisis which is more relevant in addressing current economic pressures. There is also an escalated risk on Temporary Accommodation which mitigates against many of the risks previously covered in the Welfare Reform risk, which has now been removed.

RESOLVED: that the content and changes proposed going forward in the Corporate Risk Register be noted.

135 **UPDATE ON THE PROCUREMENT OF A DEVELOPER PARTNER FOR THE CHANNEL VIEW REGENERATION PROJECT.**

Appendices 2a and 2b,3 and 4 are not for publication as they contain exempt information of the description contained in paragraph 14, 16 and 21 of schedule 12a of the local government act 1972.

Cllr Ash Lister declared a personal and prejudicial interest in this item and left the meeting during consideration of this item.

During consideration of this item, Cllr Lancaster asked a question related to a confidential appendix, the public were excluded from the room and the webcast paused during this discussion.

Cabinet received a report providing an update on the procurement process for the appointment of a developing partner for the Channel View regeneration project.

The report details the outcome of the tender evaluation exercise, identifies the preferred bidder and sets out the required next steps. It was noted that despite steps taken to encourage participation, only one bid was received.

RESOLVED: that

1. the conclusion of the tender award process for the Channel View regeneration project be approved.
2. Authority be delegated to the Corporate Director People & Communities in consultation with the Cabinet Member Housing and Communities and Cabinet Member for Finance, Modernisation and Performance and Director of Governance and Legal Services / Monitoring Officer and the Section 151 Officer, to appoint the preferred bidder, including:
 - a. Delegating all such matters arising from this report required to conclude the appointment, including matters referenced within the exempt legal advice set out at Appendix 4;
 - b. Approve the final contract wording and enter into the Umbrella Agreement for the whole programme with the preferred bidder;
 - c. Enter into a Joint Construction Tribunal (JCT) 2016 Design & Build contract for Phase 1 following all necessary post tender due diligence and confirmation that the scheme is within viability parameters; and
 - d. Entering into Pre-Contract Services Agreement's (PCSA) for future phases.

136 **CARDIFF MARKET**

Appendices 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 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 received a report providing an update on the proposals for Cardiff Market and the proposed funding strategy for delivering the proposals. The report highlights the need for significant improvements to the Grace II listed building to ensure that the market is able to continue to operate effectively. Details of thorough tenant engagement, details of the proposed phasing of the works, and the funding strategy are provided within the report

RESOLVED: that

1. the proposals for the redevelopment of Cardiff Market and the funding strategy as set out in the appendices to this report be approved.
2. Authority be delegated to the Director of Economic Development in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Investment & Development, Section 151 Officer and Director Governance and Legal Services / Monitoring Officer, to deal with all matters relating to the redevelopment proposal including the funding application, procurements, and grants in relation to Cardiff market (and any ancillary agreements) as required in relation to this matter.

137 LOCAL AUTHORITY SOCIAL SERVICES ANNUAL REPORT 2022/23

Cabinet received the 14th Local Authority Social Services Annual Report. The report provides an overview of progress for 2022/2023, details how priorities will be delivered as outlined in the Directorate Delivery Plans for Children's Services and Adult, Housing and Community Services for 2023/24 appended to the report.

The Social Services Annual Feedback report appended to the report summarises the compliments, complaints and representations received by Children's and Adult Services during the year. During 2022/23 there were 685 cases of feedback recorded for Social Services of which 334 were compliments and 351 were complaints. This is a similar position compared with 2021/22.

RESOLVED: that the Local Authority's Social Services Annual Report for 2022/23 be approved for consideration by Council.

138 INCREASING THE USE OF DIRECT PAYMENTS FOR THE DELIVERY OF CARE AND SUPPORT

Appendix 3 to this report is exempt from publication pursuant to Paragraph 16 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972

Cabinet considered a report providing an update on the work underway to improve access to direct payments for care and support, including the progress in creating a pool of "micro-enterprises" to deliver services in the community. It was noted that supporting the creation of a pool of micro-enterprises will both create additional options for meeting the growing demands for care while also expanding the choice available for service users. It is anticipated that with the creation of micro-enterprises will increase the uptake of direct payments and remove barriers which prevent service users from hiring personal assistants. The report also highlights the proposed new direct payment rate of £16.86 per hour for care and support services provided by micro-enterprises.

RESOLVED: THAT

1. the approach being taken to encourage the use of direct payments, including work to support the development of micro-enterprises to provide care and support and the review that is underway to improve support services for direct payment recipients be noted.
2. a new direct payment rate of £16.86 per hour for care and support services provided by micro-enterprises, to recognise their additional expenses and to ensure sustainability of the services provided be agreed.

139 LOCAL LIST OF BUILDINGS OF ARCHITECTURAL OR HISTORIC INTEREST

Cabinet considered a report seeking approval for the first phase review of the Cardiff Local List of Buildings of Architectural or Historic Interest. The report highlights the commitment in Stronger Fairer Greener to protect and celebrate local buildings. It was noted that Planning Policy Wales sets out that planning authorities may develop lists of historic assets of special local interest that do not have statutory protection, the existing Local List contains 202 entries, and was approved by Planning Committee in 1997. The report sets out the local listing selection criteria, it was noted that the results of the first phase review and consultation results will be reported back to Cabinet.

The use of Urgency Action powers to issue an Article 4 direction of the Rompney Castle in Rumney was also noted.

RESOLVED: that

1. the local listing selection criteria (as set out at paragraph 18) be approved for consultation on the first phase review of the local list, the results of which will be reported back to Cabinet for approval.
2. Authority be delegated to the Head of Planning to make, serve and confirm any future Immediate and Non-Immediate Article 4 directions in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member, and/or Director of Legal Services, Section 151 officer if considered appropriate by the Head of Planning.
3. the use of Urgency Action powers to issue an Article 4 direction in respect of the Rompney Castle, Wentloog Road, Rumney Cardiff CF3 3EB be noted.