

CABINET

Minutes of a meeting held on 21st January, 2019.

Present: Councillor J.W. Thomas (Chairman); Councillor T.H. Jarvie (Vice-Chairman); Councillors J.C. Bird, G.A. Cox, G.C. Kemp, A.C. Parker and R.A. Penrose.

C547 MINUTES –

RESOLVED – T H A T the minutes of the meeting held on 7th January, 2019 be approved as a correct record.

C548 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –

No declarations were received.

C549 CARDIFF BAY ADVISORY COMMITTEE –

The minutes of the Cardiff Bay Advisory Committee meeting held on 19th December, 2018 were submitted.

Present:

Councillor A. Parker	Chairman
Mrs. C. Dimond (Vice-Chairman)	Cardiff Flood Action Group
Councillor N. Humphrey	Penarth Town Council
Mrs. N. DeLonghi	Natural Resources Wales
Mr. C. Michael	RSPB
Mr. T. Gifford	Cardiff Harbour Authority
Mr. D. James	Cardiff Harbour Authority

Also present:

Mr. A.M. Ernest	Penarth Tourism and Visitor Association
Mr. A. Michael	Penarth Headland Link Charity
Mr. P. Bussell	Penarth Headland Link Charity
Mrs. K. Bowen	Vale of Glamorgan Council (Principal Democratic and Scrutiny Services Officer)

(a) Apologies –

These were received from Councillor J.C. Bird (Vale of Glamorgan Council), Mr. S. Rayner (Canoe Wales), Mr. S. Jones (Quay Marinas Ltd), Commodore

D. Cairncross (Cardiff Bay Yacht Club), Mr. J. Maidment and Mr. A. Vye-Parminter (Cardiff Harbour Authority).

(b) Navigational Safety – Cardiff Harbour Authority and Progress Report – Cardiff Harbour Authority –

Mr. Gifford, advised that he had nothing to report in relation to navigational safety, however with regard to a progress update in respect of the Cardiff Harbour Authority referred to the following:

- Environment – 213 tonnes of waste had been processed in October and November which had coincided with the start of the storms. A presentation had been given to the Rotary Club on waste operations and the Cardiff Harbour Authority's aspirations and future plans in regard to combatting / managing plastic pollution.
- Mrs. DeLonghi referred to the amount of debris downstream from the Taff and asked the representatives from the Cardiff Harbour Authority if they could work together to find a solution upstream in order to prevent this happening. Mr. Gifford stated that Cardiff Harbour Authority was also working with local schools and the BBC who had been filming in the area recently about raising the awareness of plastic pollution to also understand where the debris was actually entering the river. Lucy Owen the newsreader had also taken an avid interest in the matter.
- Mrs. DeLonghi welcomed the initiatives advising that it was important for all organisations to play their part and took the opportunity to encourage all present to ensure that the message was cascaded. Mr. Gifford further advised that a significant clean up exercise had been undertaken which had taken place over two days.
- Barrage: Lock 1 Annual Maintenance – the lock had been drained out and scaffolding access installed on Monday, 19th November, 2018. A lower hinge pin had been removed to be repaired and would be reinstalled in January 2019. In referring to Sluices 2 and 5, he advised that following a recent failure a new roller had been replaced on Sluice 2, that morning, and similar work was due to commence on Sluice 5.
- Korean delegation visit Friday, 7th December, 2018 - Ministers of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs for the Republic of Korea and the Korean Rural Community Corporation (KRC) had visited the Barrage at 13:00 hours. The purpose of the visit being to learn the operational system and status of Cardiff Bay Barrage and to gather further information on the policy of water management. The tour he informed the Committee had been well received by the delegation.

AGREED – T H A T the progress update report be noted.

(c) Natural Resources Wales Update –

Ms. DeLonghi commented that the National Salmon Byelaws would expire at the end of December with emergency ones being put in place. At the Merthyr Vale Weir

Hurricane Callum had affected the weir steps however remedial works had been put in place to address the situation.

Natural Resources Wales was currently consulting on the river basin management plans which were due to close on 22nd December, 2018. Ms DeLonghi agreed to forward the relevant link to all members of the Committee for their information and / or comments as appropriate.

There was an ongoing pollution incident which had been a low level contaminated landfill issue and Cardiff Council was going to do a drainage service shortly. Everyone that needed to be involved was involved and were addressing the matter in their various respective organisations as appropriate.

Mr. Gifford commented on an issue that he had been made aware of on the River Taff at Llandaff North where trees had come down. Ms. DeLonghi requested that the referral be forwarded to her e-mail address and that she would pass the matter on to the relevant officer within Natural Resources Wales.

Following a question from a Member regarding dredging operations, Mr. Gifford confirmed that dredging operations were scheduled for the New Year and all mariners would be notified. If any member of the Committee wished to receive copies of the schedule, they were requested to e-mail Mr. Gifford direct and he would add their names to the mailing list.

AGREED – T H A T the progress update report be noted.

(d) Penarth Headland Link Update –

The Chairman referred to the Penarth Headland Link agenda item which had been placed on all future agendas in order that updates could be provided on progress. He referred to the extract from the minutes of the Cabinet meeting of the Vale of Glamorgan Council held on 15th October, 2018 where Cabinet had been informed of the recent procurement of consultancy support for a number of transport schemes within the defined Penarth “Corridor”, advising that the Arup Corridor Transport and Economic Impact Report had considered the project in terms of their:

- strategic context
- case for change
- option feasibility
- transport impact and
- Economic impact.

The Chairman also referred to information he had received from the Director of Environment and Housing which advised that the Penarth Headland Link project was part of the wider project looking to improve Active Travel and public transport in the Penarth area. The project had received funding for the current financial year from Welsh Government of £600k and commissioned work had been arranged with Capita to undertake a WeITAG Stages 1 and 2 Study for the whole project including the Link. Welsh Government had advised that the Council needed to undertake the WeITAG work before any decision could be taken as to whether the Link was the

right solution for the transport issues and problems in Penarth. There was also ecology work for the scheme to be undertaken and Arcadis were the consultants for ecology work. A Project Manager had also been commissioned to deliver the WeITAG Stages 1 and 2 and Matthew Fry from Arcadis was pushing the project forward for the Council. The Director also understood that the Penarth Board was happy with the steps that the Council was taking in relation to the matter. A consultation as part of the Stage 1 WeITAG work was due to be undertaken in January 2019 with stakeholders and subsequently the wider public via a drop in session. The dates and arrangements for this would be published in the near future.

The Director had also met with Welsh Government and the Penarth Headland Link Charity (PHLC) where concern had been expressed by the PHLC who had advised that the background research report that had been prepared by Arup for the Council contained flaws. The Director had advised the PHLC that progress now needed to be made that he was comfortable that the Council was following the correct processes for the project and that it was moving the current proposals forward and he was aware of the need to consider the funding bid the Council would need to make from Welsh Government for the next financial year for the scheme as well as other schemes.

Mr. Alun Michael, (representing the Penarth Headland link charity) who was present at the meeting together with Mr. P. Bussell, Secretary of the Penarth Headland Link charity provided the Committee with an overview of the work of their group. Mr. Michael confirmed that he had met with the Leader of the Vale of Glamorgan Council and the Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Planning (Councillor J.C. Bird) regarding the project and concurred that consultation as part of the WeITAG review was due to be undertaken in January 2019.

Mr. Peter Bussell, as Secretary to the Board of Trustees, advised that the Board consisted of a number of people from a number of professional backgrounds who undertook the trusteeship work on a voluntary basis. Mr Michael stated that the current proposals were a far simpler design than the previous proposals had been and the cost had been significantly reduced. The proposals were a chance to ensure the town of Penarth was brought into the forefront as currently there was an “embarrassing gap” in the Welsh footpath. Mr. Michael provided a number of photographs at the meeting for Members information which depicted various types of coastal links around the world, advising that the aim was to provide similar pathways of a size to facilitate cyclists and pedestrians. However, he did not rule out that in the future there could be some types of motorised transport on the link, but the initial proposals were for pedestrians and cyclists.

In referring to the Cabinet report, Mr. Michael advised that in order to release money the WeITAG proposals had to show transport projects, but in addition there would be a number of other benefits that would also result from the proposals, for example economic and environmental benefits. The project had initially proceeded slowly but with the recent appointment of the consultant the pace had increased.

The Chairman also confirmed that the Leader of the Vale Council had also spoken positively on the proposals and the work being undertaken. Within the Trustee Board, Mr. Michael advised that a number of volunteers were also providing their

services on a pro bono basis as everybody was keen to ensure that the project was a success. A number of the obstacles that had been part of the previous proposals some time ago had now been addressed by the Trustee Board who had had a number of meetings with land owners etc. and significant progress had been made.

Following a request from a Member of the Committee regarding details of visitor numbers it was noted that Cardiff Council could more than likely provide some footfall information with Mr. Michael being confident that the Penarth Headland Link would increase visitor numbers on a significant scale in the future. He had visited a number of organisations in his capacity as Chairman of the Board and had walked the area on a number of occasions and he had heard many people talking about the need for the link to Penarth, which had fuelled his confidence. He also took the opportunity to thank the Chairman and the Vale of Glamorgan Council for their endorsement and support of the proposals and noted that the MP Ken Skates had also taken a great interest. The Board of Trustees were greatly encouraged by the interest of officials he said. Mr Michael had also met with the Leader of Cardiff Council who to had been highly respectful of the involvement of the individuals on the Charity Board.

In conclusion the Chairman took the opportunity to thank Mr. Michael and Mr. Bussel for attending the meeting, for providing the opportunity for a frank and open discussion and he wished them well for the future.

(e) Any Other Business –

The Penarth Town Council Member advised that the play area on the Barrage had been raised as an issue by Penarth Town Council, with a query as to when this was likely to be refurbished. Mr. Gifford stated that the Addi Zone had recently been refurbished, however the play area had been refurbished sometime previously. With regard to any issues he requested that any concerns be relayed directly to him for investigating. The Member agreed to seek further clarity from Penarth Town Council and advise Mr Gifford accordingly.

(f) Date of Next Meeting –

Following discussion it was suggested by those present that meetings of the Committee revert to four meetings a year at the International White Water centre. However, in view of the number of apologies that had been received it was requested that all Members of the Committee be emailed on the matter for their views prior to the next meeting in March 2019.

Finally, in conclusion, the Chairman took the opportunity to wish all present a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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RESOLVED – T H A T the minutes of the Cardiff Bay Advisory Committee meeting be noted.

Reason for decision

To note the contents of the minutes.

C550 HOUSING ASSET MANAGEMENT STRATEGY (REF) –

The Housing Asset Management Strategy was presented to Cabinet on 19th November and subsequently referred to Homes and Safe Communities Scrutiny Committee for consideration. The reference set out the Scrutiny Committee Members' considerations which required reflection in the final Strategy. These were:

- A more robust chapter on the Council's development programme should be included, and
- Digital inclusion should be added to the strategy.

Officers had now adjusted the Strategy to reflect these changes with a whole strategy on housing development being produced. The revised Housing Asset Management Strategy and the Development Strategy would be tabled to Cabinet for further consideration next month.

Having considered the recommendations of the Homes and Safe Communities Scrutiny Committee, Cabinet

RESOLVED – T H A T the contents of the minutes be noted.

Reason for decision

To note the contents of the minutes.

C551 INITIAL CAPITAL PROGRAMME PROPOSALS 2019/20 TO 2023/24 AND CAPITAL MONITORING 2018/19 (REF) –

On 13th December, 2018 the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee considered the Initial Capital Programme Proposals for 2019/20 together with the recommendations made by the other Scrutiny Committees with regard to this matter.

Following a discussion at the Scrutiny Committee, a number of recommendations were forwarded to Cabinet for consideration and these were contained within the reference.

Cabinet, having considered the recommendations of the Scrutiny Committees,

RESOLVED – T H A T the contents of the report be noted and passed to the Budget Working Group for consideration in concluding the budget proposals for 2019/20.

Reason for decision

To note the contents of the report and progress the budget setting process.

C552 INITIAL REVENUE BUDGET PROPOSALS 2019/20 AND REVISED BUDGET 2018/19 (REF) –

On 13th December, 2018 the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee considered the Initial Revenue Budget Proposals for 2019/2020 together with the recommendations made by the other Scrutiny Committees with regard to this matter.

Following a discussion at the Scrutiny Committee, a number of recommendations were forwarded to Cabinet for consideration and these were contained within the reference.

Cabinet, having considered the recommendations of the Scrutiny Committees,

RESOLVED – T H A T the contents of the report be noted and passed to the Budget Working Group for consideration in concluding the budget proposals for 2019/20.

Reason for decision

To note the contents of the report and progress the budget setting process.

C553 WHITE PAPER: REFORM OF FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITIES IN WALES – COUNCIL RESPONSE (L) (SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – CORPORATE PERFORMANCE AND RESOURCES) –

At the meeting, the Leader requested for the report to be deferred, so that consultation could be undertaken with the two Vale of Glamorgan Fire Authority representatives.

Cabinet, subsequently

RESOLVED – T H A T the report be deferred to the next Cabinet meeting on 4th February, 2019.

Reason for decision

To allow consultation to be undertaken with the two Vale of Glamorgan Fire Authority representatives.

C554 DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS LAND AT PENCOEDTRE ROAD BARRY, CHURCHFIELDS IN BARRY AND TREBEFERAD BOVERTON (L) (SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – CORPORATE PERFORMANCE AND RESOURCES) –

Cabinet had considered the potential sale of five pieces of land in March 2019 and had given approval for progression of the disposal procedure. As a result an area of land at Glenbrook Drive in Barry, a strip of land at Pencoedtre Road in Barry, land at Churchfields in Barry, a land locked area at Kenson Close on Rhoose and a plot at Trebeferad were subsequently advertised in accordance with Council policy under the Public Space Regulations.

No objections were raised in relation to the disposal of land at Pencoedtre, Churchfields and Trebeferad. It was therefore now recommended to progress the sale of these pieces of land.

Objections and comments were raised in relation to the proposed sale of land at Glenbrook Drive and Kenson Close, and it was now proposed not to go ahead with the sale of these areas at this time. Further investigation of the potential sale of these areas could continue but would hold up progress on the other areas hence the recommendation to progress with the three areas at this time.

All Members in Wards where land discussed in the report was located had been made aware of the proposals.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

Cabinet, have considered the report and all of the issues and implications contained therein,

RESOLVED

- (1) T H A T the land at Pencoedtre Road, Barry, be declared surplus to the Council's requirements and that the Section 151 Officer / Head of Finance be authorised to appoint an external evaluator to agree terms and conditions for the sale of the land to the adjacent property owner at market value.
- (2) T H A T the land at Churchfields, Barry and Treveferad, Boverton, Llantwit Major be declared surplus to the Council's requirements and that the Section 151 Officer / Head of Finance be authorised to offer for the land to sale on the open market on terms and conditions to be agreed.
- (3) T H A T the Monitoring Officer / Head of Legal and Democratic Services be authorised to complete the appropriate legal documentation required to dispose of the various parcels of land.
- (4) T H A T in view of the objections received no further action be taken in relation to the disposal of land at Kenson Close, Rhoose and Glenbrook Drive, Barry.

Reasons for decisions

- (1) To allow the parcel of land to be transferred to the adjacent property owner at best consideration and to ensure the Council's fiduciary and statutory obligations are met on disposal.
- (2) To allow the parcels of land to be offered for sale on the open market and to ensure the Council's fiduciary and statutory obligations are met on disposal.
- (3) To ensure that all the necessary legal procedures for the land disposal are followed.
- (4) To advise Cabinet of the outcome of the statutory consultation on the proposed disposal of these two parcels of land.

C555 CABINET QUARTERLY WORK PROGRAMME JANUARY TO MARCH 2019 (L) (SCRUTINY COMMITTEES – ALL) –

The Cabinet quarterly Forward work programme attached at Appendix 1 to the report provided details of the items that the Cabinet planned to consider during October and December 2018. The Appendix also provided updates on progress, where items had slipped and where they had been incorporated in the Annual Performance report.

Appendix 2 to the report set out a revised and up to date programme for the period January to March 2019. The document also made reference to whether reports were to be considered by the relevant Scrutiny Committees or by Full Council.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

Cabinet, having considered the report and all of the issues and implications contained therein,

RESOLVED –

- (1) T H A T the position with regard to the October – December 2018 work programme (Appendix 1) be noted.
- (2) T H AT the quarterly work programme of the Cabinet / Council for the period January – March 2019 (Appendix 2) be approved and uploaded to the Council's website.

Reason for decisions

(1&2) To comply with the requirements of the Local Government Act 2000, subordinate legislation and the Council's Constitution.

C556 DISPOSAL OF SMALL PARCELS OF HOUSING OWNED LAND (HBS) (SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – HOMES AND SAFE COMMUNITIES) –

The Council owned small parcels of land (which bordered existing, privately owned properties) that were not suitable for development but were a continuing financial burden on the Council due to their ongoing maintenance and security costs. In many cases these properties were previously Council owned and had now been purchased by the previous or current owners under the Right to Buy Scheme.

The Council had received a number of enquiries to acquire some of these small areas of land which were held for the purposes of Part II of the Housing Act 1985 and were currently managed by, or were under the control of, the Housing Department. The Council was able to dispose of such land if it was no longer required for its operational purpose.

Permission was therefore sought to dispose of seven parcels of non-operational Housing owned land, to be used as additional garden space by purchasers. Disposing of the land would generate a receipt for the Council and reduce ongoing maintenance costs associated with retaining the land. The land locations were shown at Appendix 1 to the report.

Any disposal would be via specific terms as detailed within the report.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

Cabinet, having considered the report and all of the issues and implications contained therein,

RESOLVED –

- (1) T H A T the parcels of housing land, identified in Appendix 1 to the report, be declared surplus to Council requirements.
- (2) T H A T the Director of Environment and Housing, in consultation with the Leader, Cabinet Member for Housing and Building Services and the Head of Finance, be granted delegated authority to dispose of the parcels of land by the most appropriate means and on terms and conditions to be agreed.
- (3) T H A T the Monitoring Officer / Head of Legal and Democratic Services be authorised to prepare, complete and execute the required legal documentation in order to formalise the disposal in accordance with Consent E 4.1 of the General Consents for the Disposal of Houses and Land 1994, where the land has been declared surplus to requirement.

Reasons for decisions

- (1) To comply with the Council's Constitution.
- (2) To ensure the Council obtains best consideration for the land in accordance with its statutory and fiduciary obligations.

- (3) To legally formalise the disposal of the land and to ensure compliance with statute.

C557 TIMEBANKING PROJECT – TWELVE MONTH MONITORING REPORT (HBS) (SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – HOMES AND SAFE COMMUNITIES) –

The report highlighted the progress in delivering the Timebanking project over the last 12 months and requested approval to extend the scheme for a further 12 months, during which time options would be determined for the long term future of the project.

All of the targets for Timebanking had been met and the scheme had been an effective way of increasing the levels of volunteering amongst Council tenants. 364 tenants had signed up to the scheme and taken part in volunteering, donating over 1,600 hours of their own time to community activities and events. This had proved beneficial to the participants, enabling them to build up confidence, increase their self-esteem and improve their personal relationships. It had also meant some people had been able to gain work experience and jobs. In terms of community benefits, volunteering had brought neighbours together building community spirit and improving the areas where people lived.

There was scope to extend the Timebanking scheme further to work with new partners and benefit people who were not Council tenants. This had not been possible previously due to the fact the project was funded by Council tenants. It was proposed that the scheme be extended in its current format for a further 12 months so that it could continue to develop and grow but in that time, a range of future options be considered to roll out the scheme and to make it more sustainable for the longer term.

It had also been suggested for the report to be referred onto the Homes and Safe Communities Scrutiny Committee, so that Members of that Committee could consider the update report.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

Cabinet, having considered the report and all of the issues and implications contained therein,

RESOLVED –

- (1) T H A T the 12 month monitoring report in relation to the Timebanking Project be noted and the extension of the project for a further 12 months be approved.
- (2) T H A T the report be referred to the Homes and Safe Communities Scrutiny Committee for its consideration.

Reasons for decisions

- (1) To ensure the Timebanking Project is implemented effectively and the key outcomes are achieved.
- (2) So that the Timebanking report can be considered by the Homes and Safe Communities Scrutiny Committee.

C558 RECOVERY OF COSTS FROM LEASEHOLDERS (HBS) (SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – HOMES AND SAFE COMMUNITIES) –

The report proposed an amendment to the range of existing repayment options for leaseholders in Council owned residential properties.

In June 2015, Cabinet agreed a range of repayment options for leaseholders. This included payment in full, statutory and discretionary loans, as well as a voluntary charge against the property. Whilst these repayment options had been suitable for some leaseholders, several had, with good intention, started to make repayments in instalments via their service charge accounts.

Whilst this meant the Council was able to recover costs incurred for major works, there was currently no provision to allow this method of repayment. The report highlighted several benefits to allowing tenants to make repayments in instalments and proposed that this be added to the agreed repayment options.

The report highlighted that full payment was the preferred option and where leaseholders had the financial capability to repay their debt in full, this would be expected. There were a range of criteria linked to the other options and these would only be considered where the leaseholder had undertaken a financial assessment and deemed eligible by Officers.

This change allowed the Council to maximise its income and ensured some leaseholders who were in financial hardship were able to meet the obligations of their lease.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

Cabinet, having considered the report and all of the issues and implications contained therein,

RESOLVED –

- (1) T H A T the updated range of repayment options to the Major Works Payment Options Policy (Appendix 1) and the proposed Discretionary Loan Scheme be approved.
- (2) T H A T delegated authority be granted to the Monitoring Officer / Head of Legal and Democratic Services to agree and execute the forms of agreement and supporting legal charges should they be taken out by leaseholders.

Reason for decisions

(1&2) To ensure there is a flexible range of repayment options to enable leaseholders in financial hardship to meet the obligations of the lease, and to ensure that the Council fully maximises its income recovery for the cost of the works undertaken.

C559 LAND AT ST. LUKES / GARMON ROAD, CEDAR WAY, PENARTH (HBS) (SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – HOMES AND SAFE COMMUNITIES) –

The report sought to remedy a land ownership issue which had arisen at St. Lukes Avenue / Garmon Road, Penarth.

Land in the freehold ownership of the Council was leased to Newydd Housing association in 1989 and was agreed to be extended by Deed in 1991. However due to an oversight in the administration arrangements at the time, the land was not properly registered with the Land Registry and as a result, an area of land was not included in Newydd's demise.

Authority was therefore sought to enter into a new Deed of Variation to regularise the land management position. There were no resultant issues for the Council.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

Cabinet, having considered the report and all of the issues and implications contained therein,

RESOLVED –

- (1) T H A T the position be noted and execution of the Deed of Variation in line with Appendix 1 to the report be approved.
- (2) T H A T the Monitoring Officer / Head of Legal and Democratic Services be authorised to agree and execute the Deed of Variation.

Reasons for decisions

- (1) To regularise matters so as to put into effect the Deed of Variation.
- (2) To complete the execution of the necessary document.

C560 PROPOSAL TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF PRIMARY SCHOOL PLACES AT ST. DAVID'S CHURCH IN WALES PRIMARY SCHOOL (LC) (SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – LEARNING AND CULTURE) –

The report advised Cabinet of the Governing Body's decision to undertake a statutory consultation, as outlined in the School Organisation Code 2018, on the proposal to:

- Increase the capacity of St. David's CIW Primary School from 140 places to 210 places from September 2021;
- As a Voluntary Aided School the consultation exercise was managed by the Governing Body.

The proposal would ensure St. David's CIW Primary School was able to meet increased demand for school places as a result of recent housing developments in Colwinston and Cowbridge.

St. David's CIW Primary School had been included as part of Band B of the Council's 21st Century Schools Programme with the creation of a new 210 primary school building scheduled for completion by September 2021.

A further update report would be brought to Cabinet following the Governing Body's consideration of the consultation report.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

Following consideration of the report, the Cabinet Member for Learning and Culture clarified that it was anticipated that the new school building would be built on the site of the school's current playing field. Once completed, the old building would be demolished and a new play area established. The Cabinet Member also clarified that a field opposite to the current school site had been earmarked as a play area during the building phase.

Cabinet, having considered the report and all of the issues and implications contained therein,

RESOLVED –

- (1) T H A T the contents of the report be noted.
- (2) T H A T Cabinet receives a further report detailing the outcome of the consultation exercise.

Reasons for decisions

- (1) To ensure Cabinet is fully apprised of the decisions made by the Government Body of St. David's Church in Wales Primary School to undertake a statutory consultation to make a regulated alteration by increasing the number of school places from 140 places to 210 places from September 2021.

(2) To ensure that Cabinet received a further report detailing the outcome of the consultation exercise.

C561 ACCEPTANCE OF TENDER FOR PROVISION OF EDUCATION OTHER THAN AT SCHOOL (EOTAS) (LC) (SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – LEARNING AND CULTURE) –

The report sought Cabinet approval to award the contract for the supply of services to young people Educated Other Than at School (EOTAS) via contracts with alternative providers.

The Local Authority provided EOTAS provision to enable students to access an alternative to mainstream school.

In the past, a range of suppliers had been used. In order to ensure that this operating model was robust, a procurement exercise had been undertaken to produce a framework of potential suppliers that would be accessed to provide appropriate learning packages for students.

Suitably qualified suppliers were invited to tender for education provision of young people EOTAS.

The Invitation to Tender was issued on 30th April, 2018; five suppliers submitted their tender response by the deadline of 6th June, 2018, interviews were carried out on the 17th July, 2018.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

Cabinet, having considered the report and all of the issues and implications contained therein,

RESOLVED – T H A T the report be noted and considered together with the Part II report appearing later on this agenda.

Reason for decision

To allow the Part I and Part II reports to be considered together and to commit the execution of formal contracts between the Council and the successful bidders.

C562 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC –

RESOLVED – T H A T under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 4 of Schedule 12A (as amended) of the Act, the relevant paragraphs of the Schedule being referred to in brackets after the minute heading.

C563 ACCEPTANCE OF TENDER FOR PROVISION OF EDUCATION OTHER THAN AT SCHOOL (EOTAS) (LC) (SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – LEARNING AND CULTURE) (EXEMPT INFORMATION – PARAGRAPH – 14) –

The purpose of the report was to recommend to Cabinet that it approve the acceptance of tender of the following suppliers for the provision of Education Otherwise than at School (EOTAS):

- Associated Community Training (ACT) Ltd.,
- Amelia Trust Farm Ltd.; and
- Empire Fighting Chance.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

Cabinet, having considered the report and all of the issues and implications contained therein,

RESOLVED –

(1) T H A T the appointment of Associated Community Training (ACT) Ltd., Amelia Trust Farm Ltd. and Empire Fighting Chance for the provision of education to young people educated otherwise than at school be approved.

(2) T H A T the Monitoring Officer / Head of Legal and Democratic Services be authorised to agree and execute the Professional Services Contracts with Associated Community Training (ACT) Ltd., Amelia Trust Farm Ltd. and Empire Fighting Chance in line with Recommendation (1) above.

Reasons for decisions

(1) To ensure young people educated other than at school are engaged and receiving quality education that will enable them to be reintegrated back into schools or progress into further work based training.

(2) To permit execution of formal contracts between the Council and ACT Ltd., Amelia Trust Farm Limited and Empire Fighting Chance.