

CABINET

Minutes of a Hybrid meeting held on 5th September, 2024.

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Present: Councillor B.E. Brooks (Vice Chair); Councillors R.M. Birch, G. John, S.D. Perkes, S. Sivagnanam and E. Williams.

Also Present: Councillors E. Goodjohn and Dr. I.J. Johnson

C90 ANNOUNCEMENT –

The Deputy Leader commenced by advising of some housekeeping issues and advised that the meeting was being livestreamed, recorded and would be uploaded to the Vale of Glamorgan Council's website as soon as practicable after the meeting

C91 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE –

These were received from Councillors L. Burnett and M.R. Wilson.

C92 MINUTES –

RESOLVED – T H A T the minutes of the meetings held on 11th July and 18th July, 2024 be approved as a correct record.

C93 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –

No declarations of interest were received.

C94 LIBRARIES ANNUAL REPORT (REF) –

The reference from Learning and Culture Scrutiny Committee held on 8th July, 2024 was presented.

Councillor Birch who had attended the meeting, said that libraries had been tremendously active over the period 2023 to 2024 and sought to engage with as wide a variety of residents as possible regarding literacy, events, activities with schools, provided age friendly and dementia environments and were safe and warm spaces. Comments made at the Scrutiny Committee meeting were positive regarding the Library Service, including comments from a Councillor not on the Committee who attended and also spoke highly of the Service.

The Deputy Leader thanked the Committee for the reference and its associated positive comments and agreed with Councillor Birch there had been a good discussion at the meeting. It was clear to see the positive impact that Library Services had within the heart of the community.

Having considered the reference, it was subsequently

RESOLVED – T H A T the positive comments of the Learning and Culture Scrutiny Committee be noted and endorsed.

Reason for decision

Having regard to the contents of the reference and discussions at the meeting.

C95 WORK TO TACKLE POVERTY AND THE CURRENT COST OF LIVING CRISIS (REF) –

The reference from Homes and Safe Communities Scrutiny Committee held on 10th July, 2024 was presented. The Deputy Leader thanked the Committee for the reference and its associated comments and said there had been a good discussion at the meeting. There had been queries concerning funding and additional support which were both ongoing matters that evolved over time.

Following consideration of the report by the Committee, the following comment was referred to Cabinet for consideration, as well as that of the relevant Vale of Glamorgan Council officers:

- The Committee felt that it was important for the Vale of Glamorgan Council to review whether the data it collected provided sufficient detail on how easy it was for residents to access the benefits, entitlements and financial support that the Council administered locally. This would tie in with the work currently being undertaken to develop the Welsh Benefits Charter (as detailed in the report) and its aim of making it easier for people in Wales to claim Welsh Benefits they were entitled to.

The Deputy Leader said that was a helpful suggestion that complimented work already underway to ensure people were aware of entitlements they could gain access to, e.g. pension credits. The Council would keep a watching brief on the development of the Welsh Benefits Charter and would continue to work in partnership with agencies such as the DWP and Older People's Forum to ensure communication was communicated effectively.

Councillor Perkes highlighted that a further £100k had been agreed towards Free School Meals, Citizens Advice Bureau had received £30k towards their work to help residents of the Vale of Glamorgan and £50k had been put towards Discretionary Housing Payments to assist people to stay in their homes.

Having considered the reference, it was subsequently

RESOLVED –

(1) T H A T the comments of the Learning and Culture Scrutiny Committee be noted and endorsed.

(2) T H A T the Committee's recommendation to Cabinet be endorsed as it complimented work already underway to ensure people were aware of entitlements they could gain access to, e.g. pension credits. The Council would keep a watching brief on the development of the Welsh Benefits Charter and would continue to work in partnership with agencies such as the DWP and Older People's Forum to ensure communication was communicated effectively.

Reasons for decisions

(1-2) Having regard to the contents of the reference and discussions at the meeting.

C96 VALE OF GLAMORGAN – TOURISM AND EVENTS (REF) –

The reference from the Environment and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee, held on 16th July, 2024 was presented. The Deputy Leader thanked the Committee for the reference and its associated comments and said there had been a good presentation and discussion at the meeting.

There was discussion concerning maximising opportunities, whether there were further opportunities concerning holiday accommodation and the Vale of Glamorgan's place within tourism.

Committee requested that the report, including the request for information on, and greater understanding of, a number of issues be referred to Cabinet, but the Deputy Leader clarified that they were matters that Officers would report back to Committee directly on for further information and discussion.

Having considered the reference, it was subsequently

RESOLVED – T H A T the comments of the Environment and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee be noted.

Reason for decision

Having regard to the contents of the reference and discussions at the meeting.

C97 Q4 SICKNESS ABSENCE REPORT 2023/2024 (REF) –

The reference from the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee, held on 17th July, 2024 was presented. The Deputy Leader thanked the Committee for the reference and its associated comments and said there had been a good discussion at the meeting.

At the Scrutiny meeting attention had been drawn to Appendix D to the report where there had been a transposition error in the original version where some of the figures for sickness absence were recorded incorrectly but was clarified by Officers at the meeting and had subsequently been amended.

The appended presentation had provided Members with an overview of the end of year performance as early as possible, ahead of the more detailed Annual Assessment which would be reported to Cabinet and Full Council in October.

Committee recommended to Cabinet that work be undertaken:

- broadening the reasons for absence in relation to the 'Other' box.
- Providing further clarity relating to the absence figures for the 16-25 age group and 65+ plus categories to be emailed to Members.

There were two further Recommendations that were matters specific to the Committee.

Having considered the reference, it was subsequently

RESOLVED –

(1) T H A T the comments of the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee be noted.

(2) T H A T colleagues in Human Resources consider broadening the reasons for absence in relation to the 'Other' box, if it was possible to do so.

(3) T H A T clarity relating to the absence figures for the 16-25 age group and 65+ plus categories had been covered in the revised Appendix D to the report and would be emailed by Democratic Services to Members for information.

Reasons for decisions

(1-3) Having regard to the contents of the reference and discussions at the meeting.

C98 ANNUAL DELIVERY PLAN MONITORING REPORT: QUARTER 4 PERFORMANCE 2023/24 (REF) –

The reference from the Learning and Culture Scrutiny Committee, held on 8th July, 2024 was presented.

The Deputy Leader moved that the item be fully considered alongside Item 14 on the agenda which concerned the same matter, along with the reference under Item 9 on the agenda, which was agreed.

RESOLVED – T H A T the item be fully considered alongside Item 14 on the agenda which concerned the same matter.

Reason for decision

In order that the reference could be considered together with agenda Item 14 on the Cabinet agenda

C99 ANNUAL DELIVERY PLAN MONITORING REPORT: QUARTER 4 PERFORMANCE 2023/24 (REF) –

The reference from the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee, held on 17th July, 2024 was presented.

The Deputy Leader moved that the item be fully considered alongside Item 14 on the agenda which concerned the same matter, along with the reference under Item 8 on the agenda, which was agreed.

RESOLVED – T H A T the item be fully considered alongside Item 14 on the agenda which concerned the same matter.

Reason for decision

In order that the reference could be considered together with agenda Item 14 on the Cabinet agenda

C100 CORPORATE RISK: QUARTER 4 UPDATE, PROPOSED NEW RISK REGISTER AND REVISED RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY (REF) –

The reference from the Governance and Audit Committee, held on 18th July, 2024 was presented. The Deputy Leader thanked the Committee for the reference and its associated discussion and comments after Committee had considered three aspects of risk management; the end of year position for the risk register, proposed new risks for the register for 2024/25 and changes to the Risk Management Strategy. Further topics covered at the meeting included topics around social care and Project Zero.

Committee noted the report and endorsed the proposed new Corporate Risk Register and Risk Management Policy, further commenting:

- That procurement should be included as a stand-alone risk.
- That Cabinet be asked to reconsider the status of Project Zero and whether it warranted a catastrophic status.
- For the Social Care risk to be assessed as to whether one overall risk was appropriate.
- For further consideration around the definition of risk regarding cause and effect as related to paragraph 2.1 of the new Policy.

Having considered the reference, it was subsequently

RESOLVED –

- (1) T H A T Officers be asked to scope procurement risk as a stand-alone risk, reflecting forthcoming changes in legislation and would be considered by the Strategic Insight Board, Strategic Leadership Team and if deemed sufficient, to be reflected on the Risk Register.
- (2) T H A T further to previous consideration on the matter, the status of Project Zero and whether it warranted a catastrophic status be kept under review by the Project Zero Board and informed by the Council's data on carbon emissions as the high risk rating was currently considered to be sufficient.
- (3) T H A T there are two new specific social care specific risks proposed for inclusion on the Risk Register, one relating to demand and capacity and the other to the new social care IT system, which were considered appropriate for the social care specific risks. Members were asked to note that the other proposed risks on the risk register concerning financial resources and workforce also reflected elements of risk for the Directorate.
- (4) T H A T Officers be asked to review the definition of risk regarding cause and effect as related to paragraph 2.1 of the new Policy with some further clarity and simplification of wording.

Reasons for decisions

(1-4) Having regard to the contents of the reference and discussions at the meeting.

C101 Q4 PROGRESS AGAINST EXTERNAL REGULATORY RECOMMENDATIONS AND PROPOSALS FOR IMPROVEMENT (REF) –

The reference from the Governance and Audit Committee, held on 18th July, 2024 was presented. The Deputy Leader thanked the Committee for the reference and its associated comments and said there had been a good discussion at the meeting where Committee were informed that of the 52 actions ongoing in the SIB Insight Tracker 90% of actions (47) had been attributed a Green performance (RAG) status, 8% (4) an Amber status and 2% (1) a Red status.

Having considered the reference, it was subsequently

RESOLVED – T H A T the comments of the Governance and Audit Committee be noted and the removal of completed actions from the Strategic Insight Board (SIB) Insight Tracker with continuing oversight over the year be endorsed.

Reason for decision

Having regard to the contents of the reference and discussions at the meeting.

C102 GLAMORGAN HERITAGE COAST ADVISORY GROUP –

The minutes of the Glamorgan Heritage Coast Advisory Group meeting held on 12th April, 2024 were presented and the large amount of ongoing work around the coast was discussed, including the planting of shoredock plants in the Vale of Glamorgan at specific and appropriate locations at Cwm Mawr and Cwm Bach.

RESOLVED – T H A T the minutes of the Glamorgan Heritage Coast Advisory Group meeting held on 12th April, 2024 be noted.

Reason for decision

In noting the minutes.

C103 DRAFT VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL ANNUAL-SELF ASSESSMENT 2023/24 (EL/PR) (SCRUTINY – ALL) –

The Deputy Leader presented the report to seek Cabinet endorsement of the Draft Vale of Glamorgan Annual Self-Assessment Report 2023/24 as the basis for consultation.

The Draft Vale of Glamorgan Annual Self-Assessment report was attached to the report at Appendix A following a comprehensive process to look at progress made against the Annual Delivery Plan for the last year. The Deputy Leader looked forward to seeing further information following consultation and engagement with residents, noting that Members had assisted with development of the Draft Vale of Glamorgan Annual Self-Assessment report. Consultees would also include all Scrutiny Committees and Governance and Audit Committee who had a statutory role in the process.

Councillor John referred to Page 85 of the Appendix which illustrated that paid use of leisure centre use had increased over the last year from 406,353 to 741,551 and praised staff in Leisure for their work over the last year.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

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

RESOLVED –

- (1) T H A T the Draft Vale of Glamorgan Annual Self-Assessment report 2023/24 be endorsed as the basis for consultation as described in this report and Resolution
- (2).

(2) T H A T the Draft Vale of Glamorgan Annual Self-Assessment report 2023/24 be referred to the Governance and Audit Committee (23rd September 2024) and all Scrutiny Committees (10th - 19th September 2024) for their consideration as part of a programme of consultation, with any views and recommendations for changes to the judgements or proposed areas for future focus being referred back to Cabinet (10th October 2024) for consideration prior to the Final Vale of Glamorgan Annual Self-Assessment report being considered by Governance and Audit Committee, Cabinet and thereafter presented for endorsement by Full Council.

Reasons for decisions

(1) To ensure that consultation was undertaken on the findings of the Council's Annual Self-Assessment in line with requirements of the Local Government & Elections (Wales) Act 2021.

(2) To ensure all Scrutiny Committees and the Governance and Audit Committee (as per section 114 of the Local Government & Elections (Wales) Act 2021) had oversight of the Draft Vale of Glamorgan Annual Self-Assessment report 2023/24 and their views inform the Council's approach to meeting the performance requirements.

C104 ANNUAL DELIVERY PLAN MONITORING REPORT: QUARTER 4 PERFORMANCE 2023/24 (EL/PR) (SCRUTINY – ALL) –

The Deputy Leader presented the report to present quarter 4 performance results for the period 1st April, 2023 to 31st March, 2024 in delivering the Vale of Glamorgan Council's 2023/24 Annual Delivery Plan commitments as aligned to our Corporate Plan Well-being Objectives.

The Deputy Leader had previously moved that the item be fully considered alongside Items 8 and 9 on the agenda which concerned the same matter, which was agreed.

Learning and Culture and Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committees had both considered and endorsed the report and the Deputy Leader thanked both Committees for the references and associated comments and said there had been a good discussion at both meetings. A summary of the Recommendations from all Scrutiny Committees were detailed in paragraphs 2.18 to 2.22 of the report.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

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

RESOLVED –

(1) T H A T Q4 performance results and progress towards achieving the Annual Delivery Plan 2023/24 commitments as aligned to the Vale of Glamorgan Council's Corporate Plan Well-being Objectives be noted.

(2) T H A T the views and recommendations of Scrutiny Committees in relation to Q4 performance be noted and identified remedial actions be approved as the basis to address areas of underperformance and to tackle the key challenges identified.

Reasons for decisions

(1) To ensure the Council clearly demonstrated the progress being made towards achieving its commitments in the Annual Delivery Plan 2023/24 aimed at making a positive difference to the lives of Vale of Glamorgan citizens.

(2) To ensure the Council was effectively assessing its performance in line with the requirement to meet performance requirements as outlined in the Local Government & Elections (Wales) Act 2021 and reflected the requirement of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 that it maximised its contribution to achieving the well-being goals for Wales.

C105 CARBON MANAGEMENT PLAN (EL/PR) (SCRUTINY – CORPORATE PERFORMANCE AND RESOURCES) –

The Deputy Leader presented the report to seek approval to adopt the Carbon Management Plan 2024-2030. The latest Plan reflected on the challenges faced by the Council at the mid-point of the United Nations Decade of Action. Publication of the Plan was driven by legislation. The Paris Agreement of 2017 set targets to limit long-term temperature rises to 1.5 degrees centigrade, but that threshold had been reached with global temperatures having risen for thirteen successive months. The Plan looked to address the Council's part in taking action, which included the Five Ways of Working, and coordinated by the Decarbonisation and Energy team within Property Section with input from across the Organisation. Activities with a carbon footprint were covered, including buildings, street-lighting, fleet, business travel and staff commutes, waste, supply chain, renewal energy and land use.

The Council had the right ambition in striving to achieve zero carbon activities by 2030, however it had been estimated that the cost to achieve zero carbon within buildings alone which represented 11.3% of the Council's overall carbon footprint would cost £50m. Supply chains represented 78.5% of the Council's overall carbon footprint however suppliers were not bound by the same 2030 net zero targets as the Council was, but the Council would continue to push on deliverable goals and actions as set out on the Carbon Management Plan and would review and develop new policies to assist with the reduction of the carbon footprint within available resources.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

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

RESOLVED –

(1) T H A T the progress made to date with actions from the first two iterations of the Carbon Management Plan be noted.

(2) T H A T, subject to Resolution (3), the adoption of the Council's third Carbon Management Plan (2024-2030) and its adoption as described in the body of the report and associated appendices be agreed.

(3) T H A T the report and appendices be referred to Corporate Performance and Resources Committee for their consideration, with any views being reported back to Cabinet for final consideration.

Reasons for decisions

(1) To ensure that Members were aware of progress with carbon management across the Council and the annual reporting to Welsh Government.

(2) To ensure that the new carbon management plan with its proposed targets were considered and adopted and thereafter embed and progress delivery of key actions.

(3) To enable the Scrutiny Committee to consider the Plan and refer any comments to Cabinet for their consideration.

**C106 USE OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S EMERGENCY POWERS (EL/PR)
(SCRUTINY – ALL) –**

The Deputy Leader presented the report to notify Cabinet of the exercising of Emergency Powers by the Chief Executive since the last report on 11th July, 2024. A number of the requests covered the summer recess period for schools and the need to complete work during the summer holidays, along with other matters such as housing upgrades to internal communal areas works, a new roof to the Flying Start building on Skomer Road and work to country park boardwalks.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

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

RESOLVED – T H A T the use of the Chief Executive's Emergency Powers be noted.

Reason for decision

To inform Cabinet.

C107 CAPITAL MONITORING FOR THE PERIOD 1ST APRIL TO 30TH JUNE 2024 (EL/PR) (SCRUTINY – ALL) –

The Deputy Leader presented the report to advise Cabinet of the progress on the 2024/25 Capital Programme for the period 1st April, 2024 to 30th June, 2024 and to request changes to the Capital Programme. At the time of writing the approved programme totalled £139.927M which included budget slippage from 2023/2024 to 2024/2025 budget totalling £15.013M. Were all the requests within the report to be approved, the revised forecast outturn was projected to be £134.989M with spend to the end of June being £8.805M.

Appendix 1 detailed the financial progress on the Capital Programme as at 30th June, 2024. Appendix 2 provided a summary of the position of the Capital Programme by Directorate through to 30th June, 2024, the movements in year including slippages and additions and demonstrated the journey to the revised forecast outturn for 2024/2025.

Schemes would be closely monitored over the coming months to identify overspends and slippage of £4.902M had been requested in the first quarter monitoring.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

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

RESOLVED –

- (1) T H A T the progress made on delivering the 2024/2025 Capital Programme be noted.
- (2) T H A T the use of Delegated Authority as set out in the report be noted.
- (3) T H A T the use of Emergency Powers as detailed in Appendix 1 be noted.
- (4) T H A T the following changes to the 2024/25 Capital Programme and future years Capital Programme be approved:
 - Band B Ysgol Y Deri – Reprofile this scheme budget as set out in paragraph 2.15.
 - Early Years and Childcare – St Athan – Remove this scheme budget of £450k from the 2024/25 Capital Programme.
 - Ysgol Y Deri – Include new scheme with a budget of £10k in the 2024/25 Capital Programme to be funded from the school's revenue budget.
 - Jenner Park Primary - Merge the schemes listed in paragraph 2.11 in relation to Jenner Park Primary – Roof Renewals and Lightning Protection on the 2024/25 Capital Programme to create one scheme called Jenner Park Primary – Roof Renewal with a budget of £355k.
 - Victoria Primary Boundary Wall – Carry forward the scheme budget of £14k into the 2025/26 Capital Programme.

- Rondel House day Service Improvements – Vire £5k from this scheme budget to the Residential homes Fire doors scheme in the 2024/25 Capital Programme.
- Parkwood – C1V Conversion – Request to include this new scheme with a budget of £400k in the 2024/25 Capital Programme, to be funded £200k UK Government Shared Prosperity Fund, £100k Parkwood contribution and £100k, Reshaping Risk and Investment Reserve.
- Disabled Facility Grants – Vire £300k from this scheme budget to the new scheme for Discretionary Adaptions Grant as detailed in paragraph 2.14 of the report.

Reasons for decisions

- (1) To advise Cabinet of the progress on the Capital Programme.
- (2) To advise Cabinet of the use of Delegated Authority.
- (3) To advise Cabinet of the use of Emergency Powers.
- (4) To allow schemes to proceed in the current and future financial years.

C108 QUARTER 1 REVENUE MONITORING 2024/25 (EL/PR) (SCRUTINY – CORPORATE PERFORMANCE AND RESOURCES) –

The Deputy Leader presented the report to advise Cabinet of the Quarter 1 Revenue Monitoring position for 2024/25.

There were significant pressures across schools, Additional Learning Needs, Childrens and Adults Social Services and homeless, largely emerging from ongoing pressures from 2023/24 such as pay and inflationary pressures, significant instances of complexity of Additional Learning Needs and Childrens and Adults Social Services and increases in homelessness although homelessness pressures had been mitigated in-year by increased Welsh Government grant funding and therefore the draw-down from the homelessness reserve would be reduced.

Delays on implementation of savings would also impact the 2024/25 outturn across services, in part due to the time required to effectively implement savings at scale, but also reflected capacity within teams.

Unplanned use of reserves was currently projected to be approximately £13.629M with £4.309M relating to schools, and the Council had various workstreams progressing to mitigate the unplanned use of reserves and reduce in year overspends. The unplanned use of reserves would significantly reduce the amount of reserves available by 31st March. 2025 with the projected position set out in table 3 of the report with reserves reducing to £50.645M.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

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

RESOLVED –

(1) T H A T the position with regard the Authority's 2024/25 Revenue Budget be noted.

(2) T H A T the virements requested as part of the report be approved.

Reasons for decisions

(1) To inform Cabinet of the projected revenue outturn for 2024/25.

(2) To update the original budget for 2024/25 for virement requests.

C109 QUARTER ONE TREASURY MANAGEMENT MONITORING 2024/25 (EL/PR) (SCRUTINY – CORPORATE PERFORMANCE AND RESOURCES) –

The Deputy Leader presented to Cabinet the Quarter 1 Treasury Management 2024/25 Monitoring Report which detailed the changes in the Capital Programme since the last report to Cabinet and updated the prudential indicators to reflect those changes.

All the changes were within the limits as set in the Council's annual Treasury Management and Investment Strategy. Where possible the Council had been self-financing new capital expenditure and maturing debt, however available balances and reserves were now depleted and the Council had started to borrow externally from the Public Works Loan Board over shorter 5-year terms due to current high borrowing costs.

In the period under review the Council had borrowed £5M to fund the Housing Revenue Account as a project rate was available 60-basis points below the standard rate. As at 30th June, 2024 the Council's external borrowing was £148.058M, up from £143.312M as of 31st March, 2024, but was well within the authorised limit and operational boundary indicators set for the year. Borrowing costs for the first quarter of 2024/25 were 4.84%.

In the first quarter of 2024/25 the Council's investment portfolio increased from £34.195M as of 31st March, 2024 to £36.32M as of 30th June, 2024 with the average rate of return for all investments being 5.31% over Quarter One.

The Deputy Leader said that continuing from previous discussions, further Treasury Management training would be offered to Members.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

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

RESOLVED –

- (1) T H A T the Quarter One Monitoring report for Treasury Management 2024/25 be noted.
- (2) T H A T the Quarter One Monitoring report for Treasury Management 2024/25 be referred to Governance and Audit Committee.

Reasons for decisions

- (1) To inform Committee of the monitoring position for Treasury Management as at 30th June 2024.
- (2) To inform Governance and Audit Committee of the position in respect of Treasury Management.

C110 DISPOSAL OF ADDITIONAL EDUCATION LAND AT REAR OF ST ILLTYD PRIMARY SCHOOL, LLANTWIT MAJOR (EAWL) (SCRUTINY – LEARNING AND CULTURE) –

The Cabinet Member presented the report to seek Cabinet approval to dispose of an additional piece of disused land at the rear of St. Illtyd Primary School, Llantwit Major.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

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

RESOLVED –

- (1) T H A T the additional disused land at the rear of St. Illtyd Primary School, Llantwit Major be declared surplus to the Council's requirements.
- (2) T H A T delegated authority be granted to the Head of Finance/S151 Officer to dispose of the land as shown edged red on the plan at Appendix A by the most appropriate means in consultation with the Director of Learning and Skills and the Monitoring Officer / Head of Legal and Democratic Services 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 appropriate legal documentation required to dispose of the site at the appropriate time.

Reasons for decisions

- (1) To declare the site surplus to requirements as the land was no longer required for education purposes.

- (2) To ensure that the Council obtained best consideration for the land in accordance with its statutory and fiduciary obligations.
- (3) To legally formalise the disposal of the land to obtain a capital receipt which would be used to contribute towards funding the Council's Sustainable Communities for Learning Programme and to ensure compliance with statute.

C111 REPURPOSING OF THE FORMER C1V CALL CENTRE INTO NEW RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES IN PARTNERSHIP WITH LEGACY LEISURE (LSW) (SCRUTINY – HEALTHY LIVING AND SOCIAL CARE) –

The Cabinet Member presented the report to seek Cabinet approval for the repurposing of the former C1V call centre area adjacent to Barry Leisure Centre into new recreational space, in partnership with the Council's Leisure Management provider, Legacy Leisure, and entering into a short-term lease arrangement with them that would further enhance physical activity opportunities.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

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

RESOLVED –

- (1) T H A T the repurposing of the former C1V call centre into usable recreational space, in partnership with Legacy Leisure, for the benefit of both residents and visitors as detailed in the report be agreed.
- (2) T H A T the Director of Environment and Housing, in consultation with Head of Finance and the Cabinet Member for Leisure, Sport and Wellbeing, be authorised to negotiate the terms for a supplemental lease of the former C1V area to Legacy Leisure to the end of December 2029; to agree terms and conditions to allow early access under licence for the required works to progress in advance of completion of supplemental lease; to vary, as required, the Leisure Management Agreement between the Council and Legacy Leisure to reflect the additional space being encompassed within the existing agreement.
- (3) T H A T the Director of Environment and Housing, in consultation with the Head of Finance and the Cabinet Member for Leisure, Sport and Wellbeing, be authorised to negotiate with Legacy Leisure any further permissions, early access agreements etc. if required.
- (4) T H A T the Monitoring Officer / Head of Legal and Democratic Services, be granted delegated authority to complete and execute all necessary agreements associated with the arrangement.
- (5) T H A T the use of the urgent decision procedure as set out at section 15.14 of the Council's constitution be agreed for Resolutions (1-4).

Reasons for decisions

- (1) To make positive use of a redundant area by providing further physical activity opportunities available at Barry Leisure Centre and to again demonstrate the positive working relationship the Council has with its 'not for profit' Leisure Centre management partner, Legacy Leisure.
- (2) To allow the terms of the grant that Legacy Leisure had secured from the Shared Prosperity Fund to be complied with in a timely manner.
- (3) To enable any potential obstacles to the completion of the exciting project to be tackled quickly and efficiently given the tight deadlines involved relating to the terms of the Shared Prosperity Fund grant.
- (4) To ensure all Council policies were complied with.
- (5) To ensure compliance with the terms of the grant that Legacy Leisure had secured from the Shared Prosperity Fund and to permit them early access to the space under licence for the required works to progress in advance of lease completion.