

Monthly Register of Chief Executive's Emergency Powers Approved During March 2026

EP No	Title	Summary of Reason for Request	Cabinet / Council Function	Date Approved by Chief Executive
127	Carriageway Resurfacing March 2026	<p>The Council's previous contract arrangement for carriageway resurfacing has since exceeded its maximum spend and now lapsed, and this works was successfully delivered via Tarmac Trading LTD.</p> <p>The new contract documents were advertised in January 2026, assessed in February 2026 and Cabinet Report to award to the successful tenderer is due to go to Cabinet in early March 2026, therefore works to commit remainder of the LGBI budget are proposed in March 2026 via direct award. Our procurement partners at Ardal in Cardiff Council have confirmed the Vale of Glamorgan Council can direct award up to £400k with delegated authority.</p> <p>The South East Wales Highway Framework (Lot 10) lists five specialist contractors to complete carriageway resurfacing works in Wales and officers of the highway maintenance team have selected schemes from the Cabinet approved Three Year Plan to complete, with items being selected from the schedule of rates, of which all contractors have submitted rates.</p> <p>Proposed sites:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Llantrithyd Road – Llantrithyd - 3982m² 	Cabinet	02.03.2026

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leckwith Road – Leckwith – 6,061m² • Station Approach – Penarth 427m² <p>No rogue items have been chosen for this works with all items being of standard competitive rates that each contractor has provided as part of their submission to join the framework.</p> <p>As part of the proposed works, two small scale sites less than 400m² each require works that have previously been repeatedly patched to the point now they are deteriorating so badly and need works. Outside of those small areas the carriageway is of sound condition and will remain.</p> <p>Proposed minor sites:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High St – Llantwit Major - 320m² • Port Road West, Barry (Layby only) - 347m² <p>The most advantageous contractor to the Council is TARMAC TRADING LTD and this work has been estimated to cost £325K.</p>		
128	Debt Write Off	A total salary overpayment of £16,996.29 was made to employee CT over a 17-month period, caused by an administrative error during her transition from a casual worker to a permanent 27-hour stored-salary post. Full weekly timesheets continued to be submitted and processed alongside her stored salary, resulting in duplicated payments that were not identified by Payroll or management. Given the length of time the incorrect payments continued, the consistency of the higher	Cabinet	02.03.2026

		<p>salary, and the absence of corrective communication, the conditions for promissory estoppel are likely to apply, making recovery legally challenging.</p> <p>CT's personal circumstances—including the serious illness and subsequent death of her son overseas, associated financial hardship, and current sickness—further complicate the situation. Attempting to recover the debt would pose reputational, financial and legal risks to the Council, with no guarantee of success in court. A full review confirms this was an isolated case linked to the Oracle Fusion system transition, and measures have since been implemented to prevent recurrence.</p> <p>It is recommended that the Council writes off the full overpayment of £16,996.29 in light of the employer-originated error, the strong likelihood of an estoppel defence, the humanitarian factors, and the risks associated with pursuing recovery.</p>		
129	Additional Award Schools Repairs and Maintenance Capital Grant	The Council have received an additional award of grant funding £670,625, in relation to the Schools Repairs and Maintenance Capital Grant. As this grant was received late in the financial year, it is allowable to use the grant to fund Education schemes that are currently internally funded within the 2025/26 Capital Programme. It is requested that the internal funding of £670,625 that is released is to be carried forward into the 2026/27 Capital Programme to fund new scheme called Education ALN Requirements.	Cabinet	03.03.2026

130	Local Places for Nature Challenge Funding 2025-2026	<p>The Council has received funding through Welsh Government's Local Places for Nature Challenge fund via Wales Council for Voluntary Action (WCVA) for the financial year 25/26 as indicated in the table below.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="676 379 1435 571"> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">2025/26</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">£</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Project costs:</td> <td style="text-align: right;">85,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Office costs</td> <td style="text-align: right;">3,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td style="text-align: right;">88,000</td> </tr> </table> <p>It is requested to include the scheme for the Local Places for Nature Challenge Funding 2025/26 in the 2025/26 Capital Programme with a budget of £88k.</p>		2025/26		£	Project costs:	85,000	Office costs	3,000	Total	88,000	Cabinet	05.03.2026
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131	To request an amendment to the authorisation granted in Cabinet Report Minute C109 to enable the Council to utilise a Transforming Towns loan to purchase Unit 3, Thompson Street, as part of a wider acquisition to deliver an integrated health and wellbeing hub in Thompson Street, Barry.	This Emergency Powers seeks to request an amendment to the authorisation granted in Cabinet Report Minute C109 in relation to the Transforming Towns grant.	Cabinet	16.03.2026										

132	Capitalise Spend on School Codes	<p>This Emergency powers seeks approval to include the following schemes and increase the 2025/26 Capital Programme by £87,269.84. The schemes have been coded to revenue; however, they are over £10k and are capital works/equipment and therefore need to be added to the capital programme.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Victoria Primary Canteen Furniture - Since the work undertaken on the Free School Meal grant to improve their dining hall, the school have purchased furniture and the total project cost was £16,380.00. - Stanwell Comprehensive Bespoke Signage - The school have undertaken works for bespoke signage to the sum of £11,975.00. - Stanwell Comprehensive Roof Repairs - The school have undertaken roof repairs to the music department to the sum of £15,000.00. - Stanwell Comprehensive Lighting Upgrade on Multi Use Games Area – The installation of LED floodlighting upgrade to astro turf. The total project cost was £31,312.73. - Whitmore CCTV upgrade – Data points installed at the school to facilitate a new CCTV to the sum of £12,602.11. <p>The schemes will be funded from revenue contribution from the school.</p>	Cabinet	20.03.2026
133	Highway Maintenance Patching Contract	The Council's current contract arrangement for maintaining the adopted highway asset, namely the footway and carriageways throughout the Vale of	Cabinet	30.03.2026

		<p>Glamorgan has since exceeded its maximum spend and this works is essential to ensure we meet our statutory duty as Highway Authority.</p> <p>This current term maintenance contractor has successfully delivered this works since 2024 and were appointed following on from a tender exercise via the South East Wales Highway Framework.</p>		
134	Fusion Practices Oracle External Support (Part II)	<p>The Council uses Oracle Fusion for its General Ledger, Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable and Procurement functions as well as Human Resources and Payroll processing. The system has approximately 6,200 users and is supported by two system administrators based in the Accountancy team.</p> <p>As this is a cloud based system subject to quarterly updates and continuous improvement and evolution the Council is supported in it more technical issue resolution by Fusion Practices. This support is absolutely vital to the service including real time issue resolution when running payrolls for the Council, all Vale Schools, and some external bodies.</p> <p>The two year initial agreement at £120k per annum concluded in January 2026 and was extended for three months as there has been some delays in gaining access to the correct framework to reprocure the support.</p>	Cabinet	30.03.2026
135	Eich Lle Programme – Phase 6	Works required to relocate a number of teams across a number of Council buildings as part of the next phase	Cabinet	31.03.2026

		<p>of Eich Lle (Phase 6). Works include minor alterations and refurbishment to both the Civic offices and Ty Jenner and the provision of new furniture including desks, screens, lockers which support agile, digital and collaborative working ambitions. The work is considered urgent as the relocation of staff from the Docks Office is required in order to meet the programme timeline for other linked projects such as the LUF Grant funded Docks project.</p>		
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