## PLACE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Decision Notice – Remote Meeting, 20<sup>th</sup> May, 2025.

The Committee agenda is available here.

The recording of the meeting is available <a href="here">here</a>.

<u>Present</u>: Councillor S. Lloyd-Selby (Chair); Councillors G.M. Ball, C.E.A. Champion, P. Drake, V.P. Driscoll, A.M. Ernest, M.J. Hooper, C. lannucci-Williams, J.M. Norman, E. Penn, I.A.N. Perry, C. Stallard and S.T. Wiliam.

Also present: M. Blackmore and K. Mitchell (Tenant Working Group / Panel Representatives); Councillors G. Bruce, L. Burnett (Executive Leader and Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources), J.E. Charles, W.A. Hennessy, G. John (Cabinet Member for Leisure, Sport and Wellbeing), Dr. I.J. Johnson, B. Loveluck-Edwards, S.D. Perkes (Cabinet Member for Public Sector Housing and Tenant Engagement), E. Williams (Cabinet Member for Social Care and Health) and M.R. Wilson (Cabinet Member for Neighbourhood and Building Services).

AGENDA ITEM 1. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR -

RECOMMENDED – T H A T Councillor C. Iannucci-Williams be appointed Vice-Chair for the Municipal year.

AGENDA ITEM 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE -

These were received from G. Doyle and G. Niblett (Tenant Working Group / Panel Representatives) and O. Carroll (Citizens Advice Cardiff and Vale Representative).

AGENDA ITEM 3. MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 8<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2025 –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the minutes of the Environment and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> April, 2025 be approved as a correct record.

AGENDA ITEM 4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST -

No declarations of interest were received.

AGENDA ITEM 5. NOTICE OF MOTION – A VOLUNTARY BAN ON THE SALE AND USE OF "FLYING RINGS" THROUGHOUT THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN (REF) –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the relevant Council officers be tasked to take away this

Notice of Motion on a Voluntary Ban on the Sale and Use of "Flying Rings" throughout the Vale of Glamorgan, in order to address this issue with local traders, to help support the related national campaign with additional local publicity and then to report back to Committee in July about what actions had been taken to tackle this issue.

## Reason for recommendation

Following consideration of the Motion and the discussions at the meeting, Committee felt that the actions that were currently being undertaken in relation to this and those to be carried out in the near future, as well as the need for this issue to be tackled during the summer period meant that, coupled with the lack of enforcement options and the desire to do this in a voluntary, consensual way, the issue did not warrant a Task and Finish Group. Instead, it was felt that it would be more effective for Council officers to take direct action now and to report back on the progress being made to tackle this issue to Committee shortly.

AGENDA ITEM 6. VALE OF GLAMORGAN REPLACEMENT LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (RLDP) 2021-2036 – HOUSING GROWTH IN BARRY (REF) –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the following comments and feedback from the Committee meeting be provided, as part of the consultation exercise:

- That Council officers, as part of the public consultation, discuss with Asda the
  potential use of land owned by them near to the proposed housing
  development site at Neptune Road, Barry Waterfront.
- That Council officers confirm whether there were any historic issues that
  prohibited the use of the Weycock Cross site when it was previously
  considered as a potential housing development site, and if so, whether these
  were subsequently addressed.
- That the Council notes the concern of this Committee about the potential loss of employment sites. However, the Committee also recognised that such considerations do need to be balanced with the current housing shortage and that Council officers have confirmed that no firm decisions had been made yet on these sites.
- That, as part of the consultation / plan, it would be helpful if details were
  provided on accessibility and walking distances to and from Weycock Cross
  and the other proposed housing sites, including to the nearest bus / train
  stations and routes, as well as regarding access to the nearest cycling lanes
  as part of the active travel approach.
- Finally, consideration should be given to the importance of sustainability for these developments, in terms of design, build quality and their carbon footprint, as well as providing any information that could be shared as part of the consultation process in relation to those issues which would also be helpful.

## Reason for recommendation

In order for the recommendation, comments and opinions of the Committee to be

included in the consultation process for the Vale of Glamorgan Replacement Local Development Plan (RLDP).

AGENDA ITEM 7. FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME 2025/26 (DCR) – RECOMMENDED –

- (1) T H A T the Committee considered and agreed items for its Forward Work Programme Schedule for 2025/26 (Appendix A to the report), subject to the omissions highlighted by Members at the meeting (such as the Coastal Erosion Review, Cardiff Capital Region, etc. reports and updates) being included and clarification on whether such reports would be referred from Cabinet to the Committee for scrutiny. A way forward was also agreed concerning areas for deeper dive Task and Finish review investigations, which included further Committee Member consideration and consultation on the topics to be chosen.
- (2) THAT the remit of the Place Scrutiny Committee be noted.

## Reasons for recommendations

- (1) To agree the items and topics that the Place Scrutiny Committee would consider for 2025/26.
- (2) To note the remit for the new Place Scrutiny Committee.