## **CAERPHILLY COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

## NOTICE OF CABINET DECISIONS FROM THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 6th MARCH 2024 AT 1PM

## PRESENT:

Councillors: S. Morgan, J. Pritchard, N. George, E. Stenner, P. Leonard, C. Morgan, S. Cook and E. Forehead.

The Cabinet decisions are set out below. For further details please refer to the relevant Cabinet report.

ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	VOTE			
1.	Apologies for absence.	Apologies for absence were received from Councillor C. Andrews and C. Harrhy (Chief Executive).	Not Applicable			
2.	Declarations of Interest.	The Leader of Council, Councillor S. Morgan declared a personal and prejudicial interest in relation to Agenda Item No. 10 Welsh Government Retail, Leisure and Hospitality Rate Relief Scheme 2024/2025 in that he is the owner of a commercial premises which could benefit from the hospitality rate relief. As such he left the meeting when the item was discussed and took no part in the debate or vote.	Not Applicable			
3.	Cabinet Forward Work Programme.	The Cabinet Forward Work Programme was noted.	Unanimously			
	EXECUTIVE DECISIONS THAT ARE SUBJECT TO CALL-IN					
4.	Allocation Criteria for Artificial Sports Pitches and The Ystrad Mynach Centre for Sporting Excellence.	RESOLVED that for reasons contained in the Officers report:  1. The allocation criteria detailed in this report for artificial pitches, Second Generation and Third Generation, e.g. Artificial Turf Pitch (ATP) / 3G facilities in Caerphilly CBC that are managed and delivered by Sport and Leisure services be approved.  2. The delegation of future changes to the allocation criteria as a result of changes by Governing Bodies or changes to ATP/3G provision to the relevant Director or Head of Service in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member be approved.	Unanimously			

5.	Food Standards Agency Audit of The Caerphilly Food Law Enforcement Services.	Considered be the Housing and Environment Scrutiny Committee on Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2024.  RESOLVED that for reasons contained in the Officers report consideration was given to The Food Standards Agency Audit findings and Action Plan as detailed in Appendices 1 to 3 together with the comments from Housing and Environment Scrutiny Committee as detailed at 10.2 of the report.	Unanimously
6.	Strategic Equality Plan – Objectives and Actions 2024-2028.	RESOLVED that for reasons contained within the Officers report the Strategic Equality Plan 2024-2028 progress the report to be presented to Council for adoption as Council policy be approved.	Unanimously
7.	Strategic Equality Plan Annual Report 2022-2023.	RESOLVED that for reasons contained within the Officers report the annual report for publication on the Council's website by the 31st March deadline be approved.	Unanimously
8.	Annual Self-Assessment Report (Including Well- Being Objectives) 2022/23	Sections of the report were scrutinised by Governance and Audit on 15th February 2024 and Joint Scrutiny Committee on 26th February 2024. Feedback was noted in the consultation section of the report.  RESOLVED that for reasons contained within the Officers report the Self-Assessment Report (including Well-being Objectives) 2022/23 (Appendix 1 to this report) as a final position on organisational performance for the year 2022/2023 be approved.	Unanimously
9.	Publication Of Gender Pay Gap Data 2023 – Equality Act 2010 (Specific Duties and Public Authorities) Regulations 2017	RESOLVED that for reasons contained within the Officer report the written statement attached at Appendix 1 detailing gender pay gap data for publication on the Council's website and the Government website online using the gender pay gap reporting service be agreed.	Unanimously
10.	Welsh Government Retail, Leisure and Hospitality Rate Relief Scheme 2024/2025	RESOLVED that for reasons contained within the Officers report:  1. The 'Retail, Leisure and Hospitality Rate Relief Scheme 2024-25' (the 2024/25 Scheme), in accordance with the WG guidance on the WG website and the provisions of section 47(1) (a) and section 47(3) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 be	Unanimously

endorsed.

- 2. The Head of Financial Services and S151 Officer will use delegated powers to award the relief be noted.
- 3. The proposal set out in paragraph 5.8 that in order to assist minimise ratepayers and administration costs for the Authority, it is proposed that the declaration process will involve each eligible business completing and submitting an online form via the Council's website, with the Council's Business Rates Team aiming to process all declaration forms received as quickly as possible and issue amended bills eligible ratepayers accordance with the WG guidance be supported.
- Officers of the Authority will make the business community aware of the 2024/25 Scheme through its usual channels, including its website and social media be noted.

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All Members and Appropriate Officers.

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Date executive decisions to come into force and may be implemented (unless called in) -

5.00PM on Monday, 11th March 2024.