



CABINET

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT PENALLTA HOUSE, YSTRAD MYNACH ON TUESDAY, 17TH JULY 2012 AT 2.00 PM

PRESENT:

Councillor H.A. Andrews - Chairman

Councillors:

C. Forehead (HR and Governance/Business Manager), D.T. Hardacre (Performance and Asset Management), K. James (Regeneration, Planning and Sustainable Development), G. Jones (Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Housing), R. Passmore (Education and Lifelong Learning), D.V. Poole (Community and Leisure Services), K.V. Reynolds (Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Corporate Services), T.J. Williams (Highways, Transportation and Engineering), R. Woodyatt (Social Services).

Together with:

A. O'Sullivan (Chief Executive), N. Barnett (Deputy Chief Executive),
A. Heaney (Corporate Director Social Services).

Also present:

N. Scammell (Head of Corporate Finance), T. McMahon (Community Regeneration Manager).

17. COUNCILLOR LES REES

Members and Officers stood in silence as a mark of respect for Councillor Les Rees who had recently passed away. Condolences were extended to the bereaved family.

18. APOLOGIES

An apology for absence had been received from Mrs S. Aspinall, Corporate Director Education, Lifelong Learning and Leisure.

19. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor K.V. Reynolds declared an interest in agenda item 3(3), his son is the Manager of Caerphilly Leisure Centre.

20. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 3rd July 2012 (minute nos. 11-16; page nos. 5-8) be approved and signed as a correct record.

MATTERS ON WHICH EXECUTIVE DECISIONS WERE REQUIRED

21. PROVISIONAL OUTTURN 2011/2012

In advance of the Statement of Accounts being audited and presented to Council in late September the report provided an overview of the Council's performance against the budget for the year. The outturn position overall demonstrates that the Authority is managing its finances well with all directorates spending within or very marginally over their budget provision. Where there was a marginal overspend, this was forecast, reduced in year and funded by service reserves.

RESOLVED that for the reasons contained in the officer's report:-

1. The report be approved.
2. The transfer of £800k of Education Service reserves to the 21st Century Schools match funding provision be endorsed and the proposal to transfer £1.2m of General Fund reserves be referred to Council for approval.
3. The use of the Directorate of Environment's service reserves as listed in paragraph 4.12 of the report be approved.

Members and Officers placed on record their thanks to all members of staff who had been involved in the process.

22. NEWBRIDGE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP - CAPITAL RECEIPTS

Cabinet considered a report on 26th February 2002, which recommended approval of the ring fencing of the capital receipts from the sale of land at the Newbridge 'gateway' site to support bids by Members of the Newbridge Partnership to implement the Newbridge Action Plan. Approval was now sought for the transfer of the remaining £100,543.17 of the ring fenced capital sales receipts from the sale of the land to Newbridge Partnership's newly opened bank account.

RESOLVED that for the reasons set out in the officer's report, the transfer of the funding be approved.

23. MANAGEMENT OF COMMUNITY AND LEISURE SERVICES

Councillor K.V. Reynolds declared an interest in this item, his son is the Manager at Caerphilly Leisure Centre.

The report sought approval for revised management arrangements relating to Leisure Services to match the new Cabinet portfolio for Community and Leisure Services.

RESOLVED that for the reasons contained in the officer's report, the following recommendations take effect from 1st August 2012:

1. That the PE and School Sport function remains within the Education and Lifelong Learning Directorate.
2. That Connecting Communities (formerly Community Focussed Schools) is retained with the Education and Lifelong Learning Directorate and delivered through Community Education.
3. That Leisure and Sports Development Services are merged and moved to the existing Public Services Division.

4. That the Public Services Division is re-designated as the Community & Leisure Services Division and the Head of Public Services title is changed accordingly.
5. That the Healthy Schools function is returned to the Public Protection Division.
6. That the Arts Service and Blackwood Miners Institute are managed within Regeneration and Planning through the same delivery arrangements as Llancaiach Fawr and the Winding House.

The meeting closed at 14.22 pm

Approved and signed as a correct record subject to any corrections made at the meeting held on 31st July 2012.

CHAIRMAN