



**NOTICE OF COUNCIL DECISIONS FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 26TH JANUARY 2022**

## CAERPHILLY COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

### NOTICE OF THE DECISIONS FROM THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 26TH JANUARY 2022 AT 5.00 P.M.

#### PRESENT:

Councillors: M. Adams, E.M. Aldworth, C. Andrews, A. Angel, P. Bevan, C. Bezzina, C. Bishop, A. Collis, S. Cook, D. Cushing, C. Cuss, W. David, M. Davies, T.D. Davies, K. Dawson, N. Dix, C. Elsbury, K. Etheridge, M. Evans, A. Farina-Childs, C. Forehead, E. Forehead, J.E. Fussell, A. Gair, N. George, C. Gordon, R. Gough, L. Harding, D. Havard, A. Hussey, M. James, L. Jeremiah, G. Johnston, B. Jones, S. Kent, G. Kirby, A. Leonard, P. Leonard, C. Mann, P. Marsden, B. Miles, S. Morgan, B. Owen, T. Parry, L. Phipps, D. Preece, J. Pritchard, J. Ridgewell, J. Roberts, R. Saralis, J. Scriven, J. Simmonds, S. Skivens, E. Stenner, J. Taylor, A. Whitcombe, R. Whiting, L. Whittle, T. Williams, W. Williams, B. Zaplatynski.

Officers: C. Harrhy (Chief Executive), R. Tranter (Head of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer), D. Street (Corporate Director Social Services and Housing), R. Edmunds (Corporate Director Education and Corporate Services), M.S. Williams (Corporate Director Economy and Environment), S. Harris (Head of Financial Services and S151 Officer), J. Morgan (Head of Trading Standards, Licensing and Registrars), L. Morgan (Licensing Manager), S. Pugh (Communications Manager), D. Beecham (Electoral Services Manager), L. Lane (Head of Democratic Services and Deputy Monitoring Officer), E. Sullivan (Senior Committee Services Officer)

#### APOLOGIES:

Councillors J. Bevan, D. Hardacre, D. Harse, A. Higgs, V. James, G. Oliver, D. Poole, D. Price, M. Sargent, G. Simmonds, J. Stone, C. Thomas,

The decisions and declarations of interest are set out below. For further details please refer to the relevant report.

The full individual voting result on all items can be found with the Council Agenda on the Caerphilly County Borough [Website](#):

ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	VOTE
2.	Mayor's Announcements	Noted.	No vote required
3.	Statement from the Leader of Council	Noted.	No vote required
4.	To receive petitions under Rule of Procedure 28(3)	A petition was received from Councillor R. Saralis and accepted by the Mayor.	No vote required
5.	Presentation of Awards	Council recognised the achievements of the Councillor K. Etheridge and Caerphilly County Borough Council Staff with 40-years Continuous Service.	No vote required
6.	Declarations of Interest	Councillor W. David declared a personal and prejudicial interest in relation to <b>Agenda Item No. 9 – Notice of Motion Second Homes</b> , as <small>Page 1</small> he owns a second home and as such	No vote required

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		would take no part in the debate or decision.	
7.	Council held on 16 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meetings held on 16 <sup>th</sup> November 2021 be approved as a correct record.	51 For 0 Against 6 Abstain
8.	To receive and to answer questions received under Rule of Procedure 10(4).	Questions received and answers noted.	No vote required
9.	Notice of Motion – Second Homes	The Notice of Motion was moved and seconded and by way of Microsoft Forms and verbal confirmation the notice of motion was supported by the majority present.  RESOLVED that the Notice of Motion be supported.	55 For 0 Against 1 Abstain
10.	Notice of Motion – National Energy Crisis	The Notice of Motion was moved and seconded, and by way of Microsoft Forms and verbal confirmation the Notice of Motion was unanimously supported.  RESOLVED that the Notice of Motion be supported.	56 For 0 Against 0 Abstain
11.	Notice of Motion – Recognition of St. David's Day as an Official Bank Holiday	The amended Notice of Motion to read 'St David's Day is an important day in the Welsh year and for our national culture and we welcome the motion's ambition to celebrate our Patron Saints Day as a Formal Public Holiday however we feel this must be done in the right way, it would not be right or fair for employees of CCBC alone to benefit from a Public Holiday while their family members and neighbours employed elsewhere do not, that is why in the interest of fairness and equity we would like to make representations to Welsh Government and UK Government to request that National Public Holidays are created for Patron Saints of our country' was moved and seconded, and by way of Microsoft Forms and verbal confirmation the Amended Notice of Motion was supported by the majority present.  RESOLVED that the Amended Notice of Motion be supported.	57 For 0 Against 1 Abstain
12.	Update on Welsh Government Regulations to Establish Corporate Joint Committee and Resultant	It was moved and seconded that subject to an additional recommendation at 3.8 of the Officer's	49 For 1 Against 1 Abstain

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	Changes to the Cardiff Capital Region Joint Committee.	<p>report to read 'once the permanent governance CJC structure is developed a Members Seminar is convened in advance of a further report being presented to Cabinet for approval ' the recommendation contained in the Officer's report be approved and by way of Microsoft Forms and verbal confirmation this was agreed by the majority present.</p> <p>RESOLVED that: -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The interim governance and delivery model for implementation of the SE Wales Corporate Joint Committee and the 'twin track' arrangements proposed across operation of CCR City Deal, alongside initial enactment of a 'bare minimum' CJC – and until such time the proposed 'lift and shift' approach can occur be noted.</li> <li>2. The requirement for the CJC to set and approve a budget on or before 31 January 2022 and the steps set out in the report to enable this be noted.</li> <li>3. The risks and issues set out in the report which require ongoing monitoring, mitigation and management be noted.</li> <li>4. The request made by CCR of WG to amend the CJC regulations to change the date on which immediate duties commence under the Regulations from 28 February 2022 to 30 June 2022 be noted.</li> <li>5. The draft Standing Orders at Appendix 1 which set out the initial requirements and operating model for the CJC as well as initial business for the inaugural meeting on 31 January 2022 be noted.</li> <li>6. The work ongoing by CCR and its constituent Councils to work with WG, Audit Wales and advisors as appropriate, to</li> </ol>	

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		<p>help inform resolution of the remaining issues wherever possible be noted.</p> <p>7. The Leader of the Council in her duty to consider and set the first budget of the SE Wales CJC on 31 January 2022 in order to ensure the Council is complying with the legislation as required be supported.</p> <p>8. Once the permanent governance CJC structure is developed a Members Seminar be convened in advance of a further report being presented to Cabinet for approval.</p>	
13.	Council Tax Reduction Scheme.	<p>It was moved and seconded that the recommendation contained in the Officer's report be approved and by way of Microsoft Forms and verbal confirmation this was unanimously agreed.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the current Council Tax Reduction Scheme for the 2022/23 financial year on the same basis as the scheme used in 2021/22.</p>	50 For 0 Against 0 Abstain
14.	Gambling Act 2005 – Review of Statement of Licensing Policy	<p>It was moved and seconded that the recommendations contained in the Officer's report be approved and by way of Microsoft Forms and verbal confirmation this was unanimously agreed.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the revised Statement of Gambling Policy as detailed as detailed in Appendix 1 of the Officer's report be approved.</p>	46 For 0 Against 0 Abstain
15.	Advanced Voting Centre Pilot – Local Government Election May 2022	<p>It was moved and seconded that the recommendations contained in the Officer's report be approved and by way of Microsoft Forms and verbal confirmation this was agreed by the majority present.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the advance voting pilot take place at Penallta House on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April and Sunday 1<sup>st</sup></p>	43 For 0 Against 1 Abstain

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		May 2022 subject to the necessary IT systems being in place.	
16.	The Lawns, Rhymney – Culvert Issues and Subsequent Cost Over Run.	Noted	No Vote Required

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