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CAERPHILLY COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

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PRESENT:

Councillors: M.A. Adams, C.J. Cuss, D.T. Davies, N. Dix, C. Elsbury, M. Evans, A. Gair, A. Hussey (Vice Chair - Presiding), A. Leonard, S. Kent, D.W.R. Preece, H. Pritchard, J.E. Roberts, S. Williams, C. Wright

Cabinet Members: Councillors S. Morgan (Leader of Council), C. Andrews (Education and Communities), P. Leonard (Planning and Public Protection), C. Morgan (Waste and Green Spaces), J. Pritchard (Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Prosperity, Regeneration and Climate Change), J. Simmonds (Highways and Transportation), E. Stenner (Finance and Performance)

Officers: M.S. Williams (Corporate Director for Economy and Environment), R. Hartshorn (Head of Public Protection, Community and Leisure Services), M. Lloyd (Head of Infrastructure), P. Griffiths (Green Space Strategy and Cemeteries Manager), D. Thomas (Countryside Planning Assistant), M. Jacques (Scrutiny Officer), R. Barrett (Committee Services Officer), J. Lloyd (Committee Services Officer)

Also present to speak on the Notice of Motion: Councillors J. Reed and J. Jones (Ynysddu Ward), Councillor K. Etheridge (Blackwood Ward), Mrs J. Jones and Mr L. Reardon (Local Residents)

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor R. Chapman.

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

ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	VOTE
2.	Declarations of Interest.	None received.	No vote required
3.	Minutes of the Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Committee held on 6th October 2022	Approved as a correct record.	13 For 0 Against 1 Abstention
4.	Consideration of any matter referred to this Committee in accordance with the call-in procedure.	There were no matters called in.	No vote required
5.	Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme.	RESOLVED that subject to the inclusion of a report on Grass Cutting Regimes to be scheduled for the meeting on 7th February 2023, the Forward Work Programme as appended to the meeting papers be published on the Council's website.	14 For 0 Against 0 Abstentions

6.	To receive and consider Cabinet reports listed on the agenda.	It was noted that none of the Cabinet reports listed on the agenda had been called forward for discussion at the meeting.	No vote required
7.	To receive a Notice of Motion - Reevaluate the Cabinet Decision of the 9th February 2022 - B4251 Ynysddu to Wyllie Highway Improvement.	RECOMMENDED to Cabinet that the Notice of Motion be supported.	11 For 2 Against 1 Abstention
8.	Implementation of Green Infrastructure Strategy - Progress Report.	The contents of the report were noted.	No vote required
9.	Street Lighting Review.	Following consideration of the report, an amendment to the recommendations was moved and seconded, to state "Cabinet is asked to review the Street Lighting Policy and look at implementing the Central Management System so that the policy is fit for purpose". By way of roll call this was agreed by the majority present.	9 For 5 Against 0 Abstention
		The Committee Members were advised that the amendment as carried negated the original report recommendation 3.1 - that "the existing street lighting policy is maintained."	
		It was moved and seconded that the amended Recommendation 3.1 as set out at the meeting and Recommendations 3.2 – 3.3 as set out in the report be forwarded to Cabinet for approval. By way of Microsoft Forms this was agreed by the majority present.	12 For 2 Against 0 Abstention
		RECOMMENDED to Cabinet that:-	
		Cabinet Members review the Street Lighting Policy and look at implementing the Central Management System so that the policy is fit for purpose;	
		Officers continue to work with their colleagues in Gwent Police in accordance with the existing agreed protocol relating to crime;	
		Issues relating to fear of crime are recognised by the Page Authority and where these	

		issues are considered to be serious, taking account of the vulnerability of the complainant then an individual response is offered through the Community Safety Partnership which will include a number of wider interventions, such as security advice and guidance.	
10.	Caerphilly Biodiversity Report 2022.	The contents of the report were noted.	No vote required

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