CAERPHILLY COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

NOTICE OF THE DECISIONS FROM THE JOINT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 28TH JULY 2022 AT 5.30 P.M.

PRESENT:

Councillors: M.A. Adams, R. Chapman, P. Cook, D. Cushing, C.J. Cuss, D.T. Davies (Chair), N. Dix, C. Elsbury, M. Evans, C. Forehead, A. Gair, A. Hussey, S. Kent, C. Mann, A. McConnell, B. Owen, L. Phipps, D.W.R. Preece, H. Pritchard, J. A. Pritchard, J.E. Roberts, A. Whitcombe, S. Williams, J. Winslade, C. Wright.

Also in attendance: Councillor K. Etheridge

Cabinet Members: S. Morgan (Leader of Council), S. Cook (Housing), E. Forehead (Social Care), J. Pritchard (Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Prosperity, Regeneration and Climate Change).

J. Simmonds (Highways and Transportation), Mrs E. Stenner (Finance and Performance)

Officers: M. Lloyd (Head of Infrastructure), C. Campbell (Transportation Engineering Manager), C. Forbes-Thompson (Scrutiny Manager), R. Barrett (Committee Services Officer), S. Hughes (Committee Services Officer)

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors G. Ead, L. Jeremiah, W. Williams, Cabinet Members N. George and P. Leonard, together with M.S. Williams (Corporate Director for Economy and Environment).

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.	Caerphilly County Borough Council Car Parks Task and Finish Group.	Having considered the findings and recommendations of the Caerphilly County Borough Council Car Parks Task and Finish Group, it was moved and seconded that Option 1 for reducing the initial hourly charge as set out at Recommendation 3.2.1 of the report be supported and forwarded to Cabinet for approval. By way of Microsoft Forms and verbal confirmation, this was agreed by the majority present. RECOMMENDED to Cabinet that Option 1 (First hour 40p with subsequent hours at the existing tariff) as set out in Recommendation 3.2.1 of the report be implemented.	17 For 7 Against 0 Abstentions 25 For 0 Against 0 Abstentions
		It was moved and seconded that Recommendation 3.3 of the report be supported and forwarded to Cabinet for approval. By way of Microsoft Forms this was unanimously agreed.	
		RECOMMENDED to Cabinet the continued suspension of car parking charges until the car park ticket machine software can be amended, estimated to be 8 to 10 weeks.	

In view of Recommendation 3.2.1 (Option 1) of the report being supported, it was moved and seconded that Recommendation 3.4 (Option 1 - additional funding for the Highways Services budget totalling £83k to meet the income shortfall) be supported and forwarded to Cabinet for approval. By way of Microsoft Forms, this was agreed by the majority present.	24 For 1 Against 0 Abstentions
RECOMMENDED to Cabinet that in view of Recommendation 3.2.1 – Option 1 being supported by the Joint Scrutiny Committee, additional funding for the Highways Services budget totalling £83k as set out in Recommendation 3.4 of the report (Option 1) should be provided to meet the income shortfall as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the report.	
It was moved and seconded that Recommendation 3.5 of the report be supported and forwarded to Cabinet for approval. By way of Microsoft Forms, this was unanimously agreed.	24 For 0 Against 0 Abstentions
RECOMMENDED to Cabinet that an impact report be provided to Scrutiny Committee 12 months after the implementation of the changes if they are approved.	
An additional recommendation (3.6) was moved and seconded, for the re-introduction of charges in accordance with 3.2.1 above to be implemented from January 2023 if approved by Cabinet. By way of Microsoft Forms, this was agreed by the majority present.	23 For 1 Against 0 Abstentions
RECOMMENDED to Cabinet that the reintroduction of charges in accordance with 3.2.1 above be implemented from January 2023 if approved.	

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