CAERPHILLY COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

NOTICE OF THE DECISIONS FROM THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 19TH APRIL 2023 AT 5.00 P.M.

PRESENT:

Councillors: M. Adams, E.M. Aldworth, C. Andrews, A. Angel, C. Bishop, A. Broughton-Pettit, M. Chacon-Dawson, R. Chapman, S. Cook, D. Cushing, C. Cuss, D.T. Davies (MBE), N. Dix, C. Elsbury, G. Enright, K. Etheridge, M. Evans, A. Farina-Childs, C. Forehead, E. Forehead, J. Fussell, A. Gair, N. George, C. Gordon, D. Harse, T. Heron, A. Hussey, D. Ingram-Jones, M. James, L. Jeremiah, G. Johnston, S. Kent, P. Leonard, C. Mann, A. McConnell, B. Miles, C. Morgan, S. Morgan, B. Owen, T. Parry, L. Phipps, M. Powell, D.W.R. Preece, H. Pritchard, J.A. Pritchard, J. Pritchard, J. Rao, J. Reed, J. Roberts, J. Sadler, R. Saralis, J. Scriven, J. Simmonds, E. Stenner, J. Taylor, C. Thomas, A. Whitcombe, L. Whittle, S. Williams, W. Williams, J. Winslade, K. Woodland, C. Wright.

Officers: C. Harrhy (Chief Executive), R. Tranter (Head of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer), R. Edmunds (Corporate Director Education and Corporate Services), M. S. Williams (Corporate Director for Economy and Environment), S. Harris (Head of Financial Services and Section 151 Officer), J. Southcombe (Finance Manager), S. Richards (Head of Education Planning and Strategy), A. West (21st Century Schools Admissions and Exclusions Manager), S. Pugh (Head of Communications), E. Sullivan (Senior Committee Services Officer)

ALSO PRESENT:

M. Read (Project Director – Local Partnerships)

APOLOGIES:

Councillors P. Cook, G. Ead, J. Jones, A. Leonard, D. Price, S. Skivens and D. Street (Corporate Director Social Services and Housing)

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.	Declarations of Interest	Councillor L. Phipps declared a personal interest in that her sister works at Ysgol Gyfun Cwm Rhymni (Y Gwindy site) and her niece attends the Ysgol Gyfun Cwm Rhymni (Gellihaf site). Councillor C. Wright declared a personal interest in that her son attends Ysgol Gyfun Cwm Rhymni. Councillor A. Whitcombe declared a personal interest in that his granddaughter attends Ysgol Gyfun Cwm Rhymni.	No vote required

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		Councillor C. Mann declared a personal interest in that he is an LEA appointed Governor at Ysgol Gyfun Cwm Rhymni.	
		Councillor J. Roberts declared a personal interest in that his grandchildren attend Ysgol Gyfun Cwm Rhymni.	
		Councillor R. Chapman declared a personal interest in that his granddaughter attends Ysgol Gyfun Cwm Rhymni.	
		Councillor M. James declared a personal interest in that he is a LEA appointed Governor of Lewis School Pengam.	
		Members were advised that as these were personal interests only, they could take a full part in the debate and vote.	
3.	Proposed Voluntary Termination of the Caerphilly CBC School PFI Contract	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.	42 For 12 Against 8 Abstain
		RESOLVED that for the reasons given in the Officers report: -	
		The proposal to voluntarily terminate the Council's School PFI Contract be approved.	
		2. Delegated authority be given to the Head of Financial Services and Section 151 Officer, the Head of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer, and the Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance to agree the final terms of the termination.	
		The final compensation sum and other associated external adviser costs be funded through a combination of existing PFI reserves and borrowing.	
		The borrowing requirement be determined by the Head of Financial Services and Section 151 Officer in line with the	

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		requirements of the CIPFA Prudential Code for Capital Finance in Local Authorities. 5. A further report be presented to Council following the payment of the compensation sum setting out details of the funding of the payment, the revenue budget savings arising, and the options for utilising the savings.	

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