CAERPHILLY COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

NOTICE OF CABINET DECISIONS FROM THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2021 AT 10:30AM

PRESENT:

Councillors: S. Cook, N. George, C. Gordon, P. Marsden, J. Pritchard, E. Stenner, A. Whitcombe and R. Whiting.

The Cabinet decisions are set out below. For further details please refer to the relevant Cabinet report.

ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	VOTE
1.	Apologies for absence.	Apologies for absence were received from C. Harrhy (Chief Executive).	
2.	Declarations of Interest.	There were no declarations of interest received.	
3.	Cabinet held on 24 th November 2021.	The minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 24 th November 2021 were approved.	Unanimously
4.	Cabinet Forward Work Programme.	The Forward Work Programme was noted.	Unanimously
		EXECUTIVE DECISIONS THAT ARE SUBJECT	
		TO CALL-IN	
5.	Welsh in Education Strategic Plan 2022- 2032.	It was moved and seconded that the recommendation at 3.1 of the report be amended to read that Cabinet Members are asked to approve the Welsh in Education Strategic Plan (WESP) 2022-2023 for submission to Welsh Government in January 2022. RESOLVED that for the reasons contained in the Officer's report the Welsh in Education Strategic Plan (WESP) 2022-2023 be approved for	Unanimously
		submission to Welsh Government in January 2022.	
6.	COVID-19 – Economic Recovery Framework.	RESOLVED that for the reasons contained in the Officer's report the strategic direction, objectives and action plan proposed for the Revive and Renew Phases be agreed.	Unanimously
7.	Council Tax Base 2022-2023.	RESOLVED that for the reasons contained in the Officer's report: - 1. The Council Tax collection rate be maintained at 97.50% for the 2022/23 financial year. 2. The Council Tax Base for 2022/23 be 61,062.71, with the Council Tax Base for each community council area being as outlined in paragraph 5.6. be approved.	Unanimously

8.	Implementation of a Hybrid Meeting Solution.	RESOLVED that for the reasons contained in the Officer's report: -	Unanimously
		 The contract for the implementation of a Hybrid Meeting solution and associated hardware be awarded to Supplier B for an initial period of 3 years with an option to extend for up to a further period of 3 years be agreed. 	
		 The £124,899 one off capital costs of the solution and the associated electrical infrastructure upgrades of circa £7k be met from the Member Services Earmarked Reserve be agreed. 	
		 The total ongoing costs of £126,841 for the software platform and associated support and maintenance for the initial three-year term of the contract be met by establishing a specific earmarked reserve from the 2021/22 Miscellaneous Finance Revenue Contribution to Capital Outlay (RCCO) budget be agreed. 	
9.	Grass Cutting Regimes.	RESOLVED that for reasons contained in the Officer's report: -	Unanimously
		The approach adopted during the 2021 cutting season be adopted as the standard going forward in relation to our highway verges and by-pass routes where mowing is kept to a minimum.	
		 That urban areas, such as housing estates, older person accommodation, cemeteries etc. are maintained at the current cutting frequencies. 	
		 That the list of areas nominated by both officers and local members within their respective wards, which could be allowed to flourish during the summer period be endorsed and Officers to continually work with local members to identify areas as the programme is expanded. 	

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Date executive decisions to come into force and may be implemented (unless called in) -

5.00 pm on Monday 13th December 2021