



City and County of Swansea

Minutes of the **Cabinet**

Multi-Location Meeting - Gloucester Room, Guildhall / MS

Teams

Thursday, 17 March 2022 at 11.00 am

Present: Councillor R C Stewart (Chair) Presided

Councillor(s)

M C Child
E J King
A H Stevens

Councillor(s)

R Francis-Davies
A S Lewis
M Thomas

Councillor(s)

L S Gibbard
R V Smith

Officer(s)

Huw Evans
Adam Hill
Tracey Meredith
Phil Roberts
Ben Smith

Head of Democratic Services
Deputy Chief Executive / Director of Resources
Chief Legal Officer / Monitoring Officer
Chief Executive
Director of Finance / Section 151 Officer

Also present

Councillor(s): -

Apologies for Absence

Councillor(s): D H Hopkins, A Pugh

133. Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.

In accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the City and County of Swansea, the following interests were declared:

- 1) Councillors L S Gibbard & A H Stevens declared a Personal & Prejudicial Interest in Minute 138 "Local Authority Governor Appointments" and withdrew from the meeting prior to its consideration.
- 2) Councillor R V Smith declared a Personal & Prejudicial Interest in Minute 138 "Local Authority Governor Appointments" and stated that he had dispensation from the Standards Committee to Stay, Speak but Not Vote on matters relating to the Appointment of Local Authority Governors.
- 3) Councillors M C Child, R Francis-Davies & R V Smith declared a Personal Interest in Minute 142 "Leisure Partnerships Annual Report 2020/2021".

- 4) Councillor M C Child declared a Personal & Prejudicial Interest in Minute 150 "Proposed Locations for Outdoor Play Facilities within West Cross".

134. Minutes.

Resolved that the Minutes of the meeting(s) listed below be approved and signed as a correct record:

- 1) Cabinet held on 17 February 2022.

135. Announcements of the Leader of the Council.

1) Cabinet Members Standing Down at the Local Government Elections on 5 May 2022

The Leader of Council stated that Councillors Mark C Child & Mark Thomas had decided to stand down at the forthcoming elections in May 2022. He thanked and paid tribute them both for their excellent and dedicated contribution to Swansea Council and the Cabinet.

136. Public Question Time.

No questions were asked.

137. Councillors' Question Time.

No questions were asked.

138. Local Authority Governor Appointments.

The Local Authority Governors Appointment Group submitted a report, which sought approval of the nominations submitted to fill Local Authority (LA) Governor vacancies on School Governing Bodies.

Resolved that:

- 1) The following nominations recommended by the Director of Education in conjunction with the Cabinet Member for Education Improvement, Learning & Skills be approved:

1)	Craigfelen Primary School	Dylan Williams
2)	Dunvant Primary School	Cllr Louise Gibbard
3)	Penyrheol Primary School	Nicola Matthews
4)	St Joseph's Cathedral Primary School	Caroline Thraves
5)	Terrace Road Primary School	Kayleigh Danter Folake Ibiwoye
6)	Bishop Vaughan Roman Catholic Comprehensive School	Daniel Minster

139. HWB In School Infrastructure Programme.

The Cabinet Member for Education Improvement, Learning & Skills submitted a report that sought approval of the Revenue Contribution to Capital Outlay (RCCO) for additional budget for programme from the Schools Innovation Fund, Hwb Infrastructure Reserve and transfer Schools Network Capital budget to Hwb In School Infrastructure Program to ensure programme costs are covered for 2021/22.

Resolved that:

- 1) The RCCO and the financial implications in paragraph 4 of this report is approved.

140. Quarter 3 2021/22 Performance Monitoring Report.

The Cabinet Member for Business Improvement & Performance submitted a report that outlined the Corporate Performance for Quarter 3 2021-2022.

Resolved that:

- 1) The performance results for Quarter 3 2021/22 be endorsed and their use to inform executive decisions on resource allocation and, where relevant, corrective actions to manage and improve performance and efficiency in delivering national and local priorities be approved.

141. Disabled Facilities & Improvement Grant Programme 2022/23.

The Cabinet Member for Homes, Energy & Service Transformation submitted a report that provided details of the Disabled Facilities & Improvement Grant Programme and sought approval to include schemes in the 2022/23 Capital Programme. To comply with Financial Procedure Rule No.7 (Capital Programming and Appraisals) - to commit and authorise schemes as per the Capital Programme.

Resolved that:

- 1) The Disabled Facilities and Improvement Grant Programme as detailed, including its financial implications, be approved and included in the 2022/23 capital budget.

142. Leisure Partnerships Annual Report 2020/2021.

The Cabinet Member for Investment, Regeneration & Tourism submitted an information report that provided details of the partnership operations of key facilities within the Cultural Services portfolio.

143. Building Capital Maintenance Programme 2022/23.

The Cabinet Member for Economy, Finance & Strategy submitted a report that sought approval of the schemes to be funded through the Capital Maintenance programme.

Resolved that:

- 1) The proposed capital maintenance schemes as listed in Appendix A of the report be approved.
- 2) The schemes and their financial implications as identified in Appendix C of the report be authorised to be included in the capital programme.

144. FPR7 Capital Allocation to Highway Infrastructure Assets 2022-23.

The Cabinet Member for Environment Enhancement & Infrastructure Management submitted to confirm the Capital Work Programme for highway infrastructure assets.

Resolved that:

- 3) The proposed indicative allocations, together with the Financial Implications set out in Appendix A of the report be approved and included in the Capital Programme.
- 4) Authority be delegated to the Head of Service for Highways and Transportation with the agreement of the Cabinet Member for Environment Enhancement and Infrastructure Management to prioritise, finalise and allocate funding to the appropriate schemes in line with the prioritisation approach detailed in the report.

145. Child & Family Services In-house Residential Capital Investment.

The Cabinet Member for Children Services submitted a report that sought approval for the Capital Investment to purchase properties to develop an in-house residential solution for Swansea Council and to comply with Financial Procedure Rule 7 (Capital Programming and Appraisals) to commit and authorise a scheme to the Capital Programme.

Resolved that:

- 5) The capital investment for an in-house residential solution and its financial implications and adds the scheme set out in paragraph 3 of the report to the capital programme.

146. National Collaborative Arrangements for Welsh (Local Authority) Adoption and Fostering Services. National Adoption Service for Wales and Foster Wales – Enhancing Governance, Leadership and Enabling.

The Cabinet Member for Children Services submitted a report that provided an update on the proposals for developing the governance and enabling for the National Adoption Service for Wales as it assumes responsibility for Foster Wales. It also sought to achieve agreement to signing the Joint Committee Agreement for the proposed Joint Committee.

Resolved that:

- 1) The Council sign the Joint Committee Agreement for the National Adoption Service and Foster Wales attached at Appendix C of the report and authorises the Chief Legal Officer to enter into the Agreement on behalf of the Council.
- 2) The Cabinet Member for Child and Family Services be appointed as the Council's representative and voting member of the Joint Committee.

147. Exclusion of the Public.

Cabinet were requested to exclude the public from the meeting during consideration of the item(s) of business identified in the recommendations to the report(s) on the grounds that it / they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as set out in the exclusion paragraph of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007 relevant to the items of business set out in the report(s).

Cabinet considered the Public Interest Test in deciding whether to exclude the public from the meeting for the item of business where the Public Interest Test was relevant as set out in the report.

Resolved that the public be excluded for the following item(s) of business.

(Closed Session)

148. Disposal of Highway Land at Mumbles, Swansea.

The Cabinet Member for Delivery & Operations submitted a report that provided an update on progress and sought consideration of revised options in respect of the future use of the land identified in this report.

Resolved that the recommendations as detailed in the report be approved.

149. Capital Programme Authorisation for the Cefn Hengoed Community Hub Project.

The Cabinet Members for Investment, Regeneration & Tourism and Education Improvement, Learning & Skills submitted a report that sought to comply with Financial Procedure Rule 7 "Capital Programming and Appraisals) to commit and authorise schemes in the Capital Programme.

Resolved that the recommendations as detailed in the report be approved.

150. Proposed Location for Outdoor Play Facilities Within West Cross.

The Cabinet Member for Investment, Regeneration & Tourism submitted a report that sought consideration of an open space within West Cross, to benefit from outdoor play enhancements as part of the Capital Play Investment Programme 2021/22

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Resolved that the recommendations as detailed in the report be approved.

The meeting ended at 11.55 am

Chair

Call In Procedure – Relevant Dates	
Minutes Published:	17 March 2022
Call In Period Expires (3 Clear Working Days after Publication):	23.59 on 22 March 2022
Decision Comes into force:	23 March 2022