

# **City and County of Swansea**

#### Minutes of the Cabinet

#### **Remotely via Microsoft Teams**

Thursday, 19 January 2023 at 10.00 am

**Present**: Councillor R C Stewart (Chair) Presided

Councillor(s)Councillor(s)Councillor(s)C AndersonR Francis-DaviesL S GibbardH J GwilliamD H HopkinsA S LewisA PughR V SmithA H Stevens

Officer(s)

Huw Evans Head of Democratic Services

Tracey Meredith Chief Legal Officer / Monitoring Officer

Martin Nicholls Chief Executive

Ben Smith Director of Finance / Section 151 Officer Ness Young Interim Director of Corporate Services

Also present

Councillor(s): C M J Evans

**Apologies for Absence** Councillor(s): E J King

## 113. 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:

- Councillor A H Stevens declared a Personal & Prejudicial Interest in Minute 116 "Public Question Time" and withdrew from the meeting prior to its consideration.
- 2) Councillor R V Smith declared a Personal & Prejudicial Interest in Minute 119 "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) Councillor H J Gwilliam declared a Personal & Prejudicial Interest in Minute 119 "Local Authority Governor Appointments" and withdrew from the meeting prior to its consideration.

- 4) Councillor A H Stevens declared a Personal & Prejudicial Interest in Minute 125 "Update Estate Management Report on Swansea Airport" and withdrew from the meeting prior to its consideration.
- 5) Councillor A H Stevens declared a Personal & Prejudicial Interest in Minute 127 "Update Estate Management Report on Swansea Airport" and withdrew from the meeting prior to its consideration.

#### 114. Minutes.

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

- 1) Cabinet held on 15 December 2022.
- 2) Cabinet held on 22 December 2022.

## 115. Announcements of the Leader of the Council.

# 1) Levelling-Up Bid Success

The Leader of Council stated that the UK Government has approved a levelling-up bid from Swansea Council for the project, which is aimed at further regenerating the Lower Swansea Valley.

The major new project will preserve Swansea's industrial heritage, breathe more life into the River Tawe corridor and create jobs and investment has been given a £20m funding boost.

# 116. Public Question Time.

Bob Oliver, Mark Anderson, and Alan Bailey asked public questions in relation to Minute 125 "Update Estate Management Report on Swansea Airport."

The Cabinet Member for Corporate Service & Performance and Leader of the Council responded.

# 117. Councillors' Question Time.

Councillor C M J Evans asked questions in relation to Minute 125 "Update Estate Management Report on Swansea Airport."

The Cabinet Member for Corporate Service & Performance and Leader of the Council responded.

## 118. 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 & Learning be approved:

| 1) | Clase Primary School      | Lesley Evans         |
|----|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 2) | Cwmglas Primary School    | Helen Usiobaifo      |
| 3) | St Thomas Primary School  | Cllr Hayley Gwilliam |
| 4) | Whitestone Primary School | Lauren Brown         |
| 5) | Ysgol Gyfun Bryntawe      | Janet Rowlands       |

# 119. Car Parking Charges.

The Cabinet Member for Environment & Infrastructure submitted a report that sought approval for proposed car parking tariffs for Council car parks. The report explained the financial impact of the existing car parking offers and sets out proposals to meet the increase in income targets set within the Medium Term Financial Plan.

#### Resolved that:

- 1) The proposed parking tariffs detailed in the report be implemented for all car parks from 1 April 2023 subject to the outcome of the Council Budget Consultation and approval of the Council Budget for 2023/24.
- 2) Authority be delegated to the Head of Highways and Transportation and Cabinet Member for Environment and Infrastructure to increase parking charges in line with the RPI rate of inflation.

# 120. General Building Materials Framework.

The Cabinet Member for Service Transformation submitted a report that sought approval to award a framework agreement for the supply of General Building Materials, to facilitate direct orders for housing stock maintenance and public building projects.

#### Resolved that:

- 1) The appointment of the Suppliers listed in Appendix A of the report be approved onto the Framework and the Council be authorised to enter into Framework Agreements with each Supplier, to facilitate call-off contracts from the Framework as and when required.
- 2) Authority be delegated to the Head of Building Services and the Chief Legal Officer as necessary to approve the terms of the Framework Agreements and any future call-off contracts under the Framework Agreement.

# 121. Review of the Statement of Policy for Licensing.

The Cabinet Member for Corporate Service & Performance submitted a report that sought agreement for the draft of the revised Licensing Policy to be issued for consultation.

#### Resolved that:

- 1) The proposed changes to the Council's Statement of Policy for Licensing be agreed.
- 2) The revised policy be issued for consultation prior to reporting back to Council for adoption.

# 122. Review of the Policy on the Licensing of Sex Establishments.

The Cabinet Member for Corporate Service & Performance submitted a report that sought approval for the reviewed Policy on the Licensing of Sex Establishments to be issued for consultation.

## Resolved that:

- 1) The existing "relevant localities" for the purposes of determining applications for sex establishments and the "appropriate number" of sex establishments for each locality are retained.
- 2) The policy be issued for consultation prior to reporting back to Council for adoption.

## 123. Proposal to Publish Cumulative Impact Assessment – City Centre.

The Cabinet Member for Corporate Service & Performance submitted a report that sought agreement for the draft Cumulative Impact Assessment to be issued for consultation.

#### Resolved that:

3) The proposed draft of the Cumulative Impact Assessment be issued for consultation.

# 124. Fixed Penalty Notices for Breach of House-holder Duty of Care in relation to Fly-tipping.

The Cabinet Member for Community Services submitted a report that sought approval to adopt and implement the Household Waste Duty of Care (Fixed Penalties) (Wales) Regulations 2019 to issue fixed penalty notices (FPNs) as a more proportionate response to tackling small scale fly tipping where appropriate.

#### **Resolved** that:

- 1) The issue of Fixed Penalty Notices in accordance with the Legislation be approved.
- 2) The fixed penalty fee be set at £300 to be paid within 14 working days in accordance with the legislation.
- 3) An early payment amount of £150 if paid within 10 working days be approved.

## 125. Update Estate Management Report on Swansea Airport.

The Cabinet Member for Corporate Service & Performance submitted a report that provided an update on the current estate management activities at Swansea Airport and sought authority to proceed with the recommendations as outlined.

#### Resolved that:

- In accordance with the legal advice provided by the Council's legal officers in conjunction with external advisers Geldards LLP, Cabinet does not oppose the principle of the S.26 request (Landlord and Tenant Act 1954) for a new tenancy with its existing tenant, Swansea Airport Limited but proposes alternative lease terms.
- 2) Authority be delegated to the Head of Property Services and Chief Legal Officer to negotiate and agree the appropriate terms of the lease renewal to safeguard the Council's position whilst ensuring the Tenant continues to invest further in the asset.

## 126. 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)

# 127. Update Estate Management Report on Swansea Airport.

The Cabinet Member for Corporate Service & Performance submitted a report that provided an update on the current estate management activities at Swansea Airport.

The meeting ended at 10.53 am

# Chair

| Call In Procedure – Relevant Dates      |                          |  |
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