CITY AND COUNTY OF SWANSEA

MINUTES OF THE CABINET

HELD AT COMMITTEE ROOM 2, CIVIC CENTRE, SWANSEA ON TUESDAY, 6 MAY 2014 AT 5.00 PM

PRESENT: Councillor D Phillips (Chair) Presided

Councillor(s)	Councillor(s)	Councillor(s)
N S Bradley J E Burtonshaw	S E Crouch C R Doyle	C Richards (Vice Chair) M Theaker
M C Child	W Evans	W Theater

243. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor R C Stewart.

244. <u>DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL</u>

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

Councillor J E Burtonshaw – personal – Minute No. 254 and 258 - Disposal of Land on School Sites – has dispensation from Standards Committee to stay and speak but not vote – Governor of Blaenymaes Primary School.

Councillor W Evans – personal – Minute No. and - 254 and 258 - Disposal of Land on School Sites – has dispensation from Standards Committee to stay and speak but not vote – Governor of Tre – Uchaf School.

Councillor M Theaker – personal – Minute No 252– Local Authority Governor Appointments – has dispensation from Standards Committee to stay and speak but not vote.

245. **MINUTES.**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 8 April 2014, be approved as a correct record.

246. **LEADER OF THE COUNCIL'S REPORT(S).**

None

247. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME.

Mr D Jenkins asked a question in relation to Minute No 254 – Disposal of Land on School Sites. The Cabinet member for Learning and Skills and The Leader responded accordingly.

248. COUNCILLORS' QUESTION TIME.

Councillor R V Smith asked questions in respect of Minute No 254 – Disposal of Surplus Land on School Sites in respect of Tre Uchaf Primary School. The Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills and The Leader responded accordingly.

249. RESPONSE TO THE REPORT OF THE WELLBEING INQUIRY PANEL.

This item was deferred from the agenda.

250. **EXTERNAL FUNDING PANEL**

The Director of Corporate Services presented the report of the Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources which sought to consider a proposal to establish an External Funding Panel, which would be a committee of Cabinet.

CABINET DECISION

That a Committee of Cabinet is set up called the External Funding Panel with the terms and reference and composition as set out in the Appendix to this report.

Policy Framework

Medium Term Financial Plan; Sustainable Swansea - fit for the future

Reason for Decision

To improve oversight of the Council's external funding: both grants to the third sector in Swansea and external funding that the Council receives.

Consultation

Legal, Finance

251. CORPORATE IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2013-17: UPDATED FOR 2014-17.

The Director of Corporate Services presented the report of the Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources which sought agreement to the updated Corporate Improvement Plan for 2014 – 17.

CABINET DECISION

The updated Corporate Improvement Plan for 2014 – 17 be agreed.

Policy Framework

'Standing Up for a Better Swansea' Corporate Improvement Plan 2013 – 17.

Reason for Decision

To agree the updated Corporate Improvement Plan for 2014 – 17, to comply with statutory guidance Part1 Local Government (Wales) Measure 2009.

Consultation

Legal, Finance

252. LOCAL AUTHORITY GOVERNOR APPOINTMENTS.

The Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills sought approval of the nominations submitted to fill LA Governor vacancies in School Governing Bodies.

CABINET DECISION

That the following nominations be approved as recommended by the LA Governor Appointment Panel:

1(a) Bishopston Primary M School		Mr	⁄/Irs Lisa Boat					
1(b) Cadle Primary School		Mrs Sarah Hooke						
1(c) Llanrhidian Primary School Mr		/Ir Robert Griffiths – re-appointed						
1(d) Penyrheol Primary School		Mrs Alison Seabourne – re-appointed						
1(e) Sketty Primary School		Mrs Kathryn Byrne						
1(f) Y.G.G. Gellionen		Mr Ian Tolley						
1(g) Bishop Vaughn Catholic School		Mrs Margaret Buckley – re-appointed						
1(h) School	Bishopston	Comprehensiv	/e	Councillor appointed	Keith	Marsh	-	re-

Policy Framework

Policy and Procedure for Appointments of L. A. Governors as amended by Council on 23 October 2008.

Reason for Decision

To ensure vacancies are to be filled expeditiously.

Consultation

Education, Legal, Finance

253. AMALGAMATION OF BRYNHYFRYD INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOLS.

The Cabinet member for Learning and Skills submitted a report which sought approval to consult on a proposal to amalgamate Brynhyfryd Infant and Junior Schools from September 2015. To amalgamate the schools, both the infant and junior schools would be closed and a new primary school established on existing sites.

CABINET DECISION

That: -

- (1) Approval be granted to consult on a proposal to close Brynhyfryd Infant and Junior schools on 31st August 2015 and establish a new all-through primary school from 1st September 2015 on existing sites.
- (2) Cabinet consider responses following the consultation period.

Policy Framework

QEd 2020 (strategic programme) Children & Young People Plan (priority 7)

Reason for Decision

Approval is sought prior to statutory consultation on this proposal.

Consultation

Legal, Finance and Access to Services

254. DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS LAND ON SCHOOL SITES.

This item and the exempt report were deferred from the agenda.

255. **URGENT ITEM.**

The Leader stated that pursuant to paragraph 100B(4) (b) of the Local Government Act 1972, he considered that the report of the Cabinet Member for Place – Submission of a Planning Application in respect of Proposed change of use of former Caer Street Toilets.

Reason for Urgency

The project needs this support in order to progress through design and into implementation. The Police and Crime Commissioner Office has had external funding for the capital elements of this project and requirements of the auditors of the PCC are that the funds are allocated for spend before the end of May 2014.

256. SUBMISSION OF A PLANNING APPLICATION IN RESPECT OF PROPOSED CHANGE OF USE OF FORMER CAER STREET TOILETS.

The Cabinet Member for Place and Cabinet Member for Regeneration presented a joint report which sought Cabinet Authority for the submission of a change of use planning application.

CABINET DECISION

That approval be granted for the submission of a planning application for a change of use of the former Caer Street toilet block, to permit its use as a "Help Point Plus" Community Safety facility.

Policy Framework

Council Constitution

Reason for Decision

To enable officers to apply for planning permission in order for the Council to support its initiative to reduce crime and disorder and to support the Healthy Cities initiative.

Consultation

Legal, Finance & Access to Services

The meeting ended at 5.45p.m.

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