

CITY AND COUNTY OF SWANSEA

MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITIES CABINET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

HELD AT COMMITTEE ROOM 5, GUILDHALL, SWANSEA ON
THURSDAY, 10 SEPTEMBER 2015 AT 2.00 PM

PRESENT: Councillor T J Hennegan (Vice Chair) Presided

Councillor(s)	Councillor(s)	Councillor(s)
R A Clay	D W Cole	J P Curtice

Also Present:

Councillor A S Lewis, Cabinet Member for Next Generation Services

Officer:

Samantha Woon, Democratic Services Officer

25 **ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE 2015-2016 MUNICIPAL YEAR.**

RESOLVED that Councillor R A Clay be elected as Chair for the remainder of the 2015-2016 Municipal Year.

COUNCILLOR R A CLAY (CHAIR) PRESIDED

26 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors A M Cook, W Evans (Cabinet Member for Anti-Poverty) B Hopkins, H M Morris and G J Tanner.

27 **DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS.**

In accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the City and County of Swansea, no interests were declared.

28 **MINUTES:**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Meeting of the Communities Cabinet Advisory Committee held on 13 August, 2015 be approved as a correct record.

29 **CO-OPERATIVE HOUSING.**

The Chair welcomed Mr D Palmer, Co-operative Housing Project Manager, Wales Co-operative Centre and Mr K Edwards.

Mr D Palmer, Co-operative Housing Project Manager assisted by Mr K Edwards, provided a comprehensive presentation regarding the Wales Co-operative Centre.

Details provided included:

- Background;
- What and Why;
- 7 Co-operative Principles;
- Welsh Government and Housing Project;
- Pioneer Projects;
- Carmarthen Gwalia Group;
- Project Proposals;
- Loftus Village Association;
- Home Farm Village Co-op Housing, Cardiff;
- So what have we learnt?
- How can Local Authorities help?
- Closing Remarks.

Members' asked questions of Mr Palmer and Mr Edwards who responded accordingly.

Key issues arising from the presentation included:

- The importance partners agreeing and working towards a single vision;
- A variety of schemes could be undertaken in one area as there is no 'one size fits all';
- It would be beneficial to identify a political and officer 'champion' within the Authority to pioneer the project.

The Chair thanked Mr Palmer and Mr K Edwards for their informative presentation.

RESOLVED that the presentation be noted.

The meeting being inquorate ended at 3.15 pm

CHAIR