CITY AND COUNTY OF SWANSEA

MINUTES OF THE DEVELOPMENT CABINET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

HELD AT COMMITTEE ROOM 5, GUILDHALL, SWANSEA ON WEDNESDAY, 15 FEBRUARY 2017 AT 3.00 PM

PRESENT: Councillor P Downing (Chair) Presided

Councillor(s) Councillor(s)

C Anderson M B Lewis P Lloyd

P M Matthews T M White

Officer(s)

Geoff Bacon Corporate Strategic Manager - Corporate Building &

Property Services

Martin Bignell Tree Services Unit Manager Allison Lowe Democratic Services Officer

Apologies for Absence

Councillor(s): C R Doyle, R D Lewis and C Thomas

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

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

60 **MINUTES**.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Development Cabinet Advisory Committee held on 18 January 2017 be approved and signed as a correct record.

61 **TREE POLICY.**

The Tree Services Unit Manager presented the final version of the Tree Policy.

The Officer explained that when the document was published on the website there would be hyperlinks from the contents page that would take you immediately to the relevant section in the main document.

The Chair thanked the officer for all of his hard work involved in completing the document.

RESOLVED that the report be forwarded to the relevant Cabinet Member for onward submission to Corporate Briefing and/or Cabinet. The document would also be circulated for public Consultation.

Minutes of the Development Cabinet Advisory Committee (15.02.2017)

62 COUNCIL'S POLICY AND PRACTICE ON LAND ACQUISITION.

The Corporate Strategic Manager – Corporate Building & Property Services presented a short report outlining the Council's Policy and Practice on Land Acquisition.

He highlighted the Land Transaction Procedures Rules within the Council Constitution which outline how the acquisition of land/property is managed.

A discussion ensued regarding acquisition and disposal of land/property and details of officers delegated authority to acquire property. Various questions were asked by the Councillors, which the officer responded to accordingly.

RESOLVED that

- 1) The report be noted;
- 2) The Development Cabinet Advisory Committee agreed that the Policy was both fit for purpose and robust.

63 **WORKPLAN**.

RESOLVED that:

- 1) The work plan be noted;
- 2) The site visit to Cardiff be arranged for March 2017.

The meeting ended at 3.28 pm

CHAIR