

City and County of Swansea

Minutes of the Cabinet

Council Chamber, Guildhall, Swansea

Thursday, 19 October 2017 at 2.00 pm

Present: Councillor R C Stewart (Chair) Presided

Councillor(s)Councillor(s)Councillor(s)M C ChildW EvansR Francis-DaviesA S LewisC E LloydJ A Raynor

M Sherwood M Thomas

Apologies for Absence Councillor(s): D H Hopkins

60. 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) Councillor M Thomas declared a Personal Interest in Minute 68 "Local Authority Governor Appointments".

61. Minutes.

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

1) Cabinet held on 21 September 2017.

62. Leader of the Council's Report(s).

The Leader of Council made no announcements.

63. Public Question Time.

A number of questions were asked relating to Minute 71 "21st Century School Programme – New Build for Gorseinon Primary School at Parc y Werin, Gorseinon, Swansea".

The Head of Legal, Democratic Services & Business Intelligence (Monitoring Officer) and Children, Education & Lifelong Learning Cabinet Member responded.

64. Councillors' Question Time.

A number of questions were asked relating to Minute 71 "21st Century School Programme – New Build for Gorseinon Primary School at Parc y Werin, Gorseinon, Swansea".

The Children, Education & Lifelong Learning Cabinet Member responded.

65. Pre Decision Scrutiny Feedback - Castle Square Regeneration.

Councillor M H Jones presented the Pre-decision Scrutiny Feedback.

RESOLVED that:

1) The pre-decision scrutiny feedback be noted.

66. Castle Square Regeneration.

The Cabinet Member for Culture, Tourism & Major Projects submitted a report, which presented an appraisal of options for the siting of a partial development opportunity, options in terms of delivery mechanisms and key principles for a preliminary Development, Public Realm and Marketing brief to support the enhancement and partial development opportunity within part of Castle Square.

RESOLVED that:

- 1) From the available delivery options the preferred approach is that Swansea Council act as developer with an external development manager procured for the enhancement and partial development opportunity within Castle Square;
- 2) The Director of Place be delegated authority to proceed with the preparation of a Development, Public Realm and Marketing Brief, which identifies a development opportunity preferably at Location Options 1 and 3 as set out in the report, but does not preclude innovative and justified design solutions, which align with the key objectives and principles identified in the Preliminary Brief.

67. Annual Review of Performance 2016/17.

The Cabinet Member for Service Transformation & Business Operations submitted a report, which presented a review of progress made by the Council in meeting the priorities, actions and targets set out in Delivering for Swansea the Corporate Plan for 2015-2017 as required by Part 1 of the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2009.

RESOLVED that:

1) The Annual Review of Performance 2016-2017 be approved.

68. Local Authority Governor Appointments.

The Cabinet Member for Children, Education & Lifelong Learning submitted a report, which sought approval of the nominations to fill Local Authority Governor vacancies in School Governing Bodies.

RESOLVED that:

1) The following nominations be approved as recommended by the LA Governor Panel:

1.	Blaenymaes Primary School	Mr Herbert Paddison
2.	Clwyd Primary School	Mr Douglas Thomas
3.	Crwys Primary School	Mr Phillip Place
4.	Penyrheol Primary School	Cllr Andrew Stevens
5.	Pontarddulais Primary School	Mrs Jane Harris
6.	Talycopa Primary School	Mrs Rebecca O'Brien
7.	Waun Wen Primary School	Mrs Lynwen Barnsley
8.	YGG Y Login Fach	Cllr Wendy Lewis
9.	Morriston Comprehensive School	Mrs Lisa Pike

69. Complaints Annual Report 2016-17.

The Cabinet Member for Service Transformation & Business Operations submitted an information report, which reported on the operation of the Corporate Complaints Team, highlighting the number, nature and outcome of complaints made against the Authority, together with details of lessons learned and service improvements. The Corporate Complaints Annual Report contained the following reports:

- Adult Social Services Complaints;
- Child & Family Services Complaints;
- > Freedom of Information (FOI) Act;
- Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act (RIPA).

70. Digital Strategy Implementation Update.

The Cabinet Member for Service Transformation & Business Operations submitted a report, which provided an update on the implementation of the Digital Strategy and associated projects.

RESOLVED that:

- 1) The progress being made be noted;
- 2) The continued implementation of the digital strategy be endorsed.

71. 21st Century Schools Programme - New Build for Gorseinon Primary School at Parc Y Werin, Gorseinon, Swansea.

The Cabinet Member for Children, Education & Lifelong Learning submitted a report, which sought a decision whether the land at Parc y Werin, Gorseinon should be appropriated for the purposes of Education. It also sought to confirm the commitment to the Capital Programme the scheme for the new build for Gorseinon Primary School subject to entering into a contract with Welsh Government.

RESOLVED that:

- The land currently held by the Council as housing and leisure land identified at Appendix A in the report is no longer required for the purpose for which it is currently appropriated;
- 2) The land at Parc y Werin, Gorseinon identified on the plan at Appendix A of the report be appropriated for the purposes of education under section 122 Local Government Act 1972, namely the construction of a new primary school building;
- 3) The capital scheme as detailed together with the financial implications set out in Appendix C of the report be approved, subject to entering into a contract with the Welsh Government;
- The area of land being approximately 3.212 acres, which is proposed to incorporate an all-weather pitch and Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) and is shown on the plan attached at Appendix B of the report, will form part of the new school grounds and as such will remain under the control of the school, but the (all-weather pitch and MUGA shall be made available for community use when they are not required to be used by the school, the details of which shall be set out in a community use agreement;
- 5) The Head of Legal, Democratic Services and Business Intelligence be authorised to enter into any necessary documentation required to achieve the scheme.

72. Member's Community Budget - Updated Guidance.

The Cabinet Member for Future Generations submitted a report, which sought to amend the criteria for delivery of the Community Budget scheme and provide additional guidance.

RESOLVED that:

1) The revised guidance relating to Community Budgets be approved.

73. FPR7 Report - Capital Investment in Energy Efficiency Measures Within Council Assets.

The Cabinet Member for Housing, Energy and Building Services submitted a report, which sought approval of using the Welsh Government's Re:fit Cymru Programme and funding from the Welsh Government's Wales Funding Programme (managed by Salix Finance) and the benefits of such an approach.

RESOLVED that:

- 1) Further detailed feasibility into the proposed capital investment be approved.
- 2) Schemes that meet the criteria for investment from the Wales Funding Programme (WFP) be approved provided they meet the appropriate business cases and at no cost to the Council.

74. FPR7 Report - The Kingsway Infrastructure Project.

The Cabinet Member for Culture, Tourism and Major Projects submitted a report, which sought to comply with Financial Procedure Rule 7 "Capital Programming and Appraisals), to commit and authorise a variation of an existing capital scheme in the Capital Programme.

RESOLVED that:

1) The revision to the proposed project and its Financial Implications be approved and added to the capital programme.

75. Pre Decision Scrutiny Feedback - Public Protection Commissioning Review Option Appraisal Report.

Councillor C A Holley presented the Pre-decision Scrutiny Feedback.

RESOLVED that:

1) The pre-decision scrutiny feedback be noted.

76. Public Protection Commissioning Review Option Appraisal Report.

The Cabinet Member for Environment Services submitted a report, which outlined the background to the Public Protection Commissioning Review and set out the key findings and recommendations.

RESOLVED that:

1) The key findings of the review be accepted and proposals on the Commercial opportunities be approved for implementation.

The meeting ended at 3.17 pm

Chair

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