



City and County of Swansea

## Minutes of the **Economy & Infrastructure Policy Development Committee**

Committee Room 5, Guildhall, Swansea

Thursday, 16 January 2020 at 2.00 pm

**Present:** Councillor V M Evans (Chair) Presided

**Councillor(s)**

P Downing  
M A Langstone  
P M Matthews

**Councillor(s)**

P R Hood-Williams  
W G Lewis  
T M White

**Councillor(s)**

P K Jones  
P Lloyd

**Officer(s)**

Martin Nicholls  
Samantha Woon

Director of Place  
Democratic Services Officer

**Apologies for Absence**

Councillor(s): J E Burtonshaw

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**29 Disclosures of Personal & Prejudicial Interests.**

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

- 1) Councillor P R Hood-Williams – Minute - Cabinet Member Response in Relation to the Scrutiny Inquiry Panel Report (Tourism). I am Chairman of Swansea Local Access Forum and a Member of Swansea RDC LAC.

**30 Minutes.**

**Resolved** that the Minutes of the Economy and Infrastructure Policy Development Committee held on 14 November, 2019, be approved as a correct record.

**31 Cabinet Member Response in relation to the Scrutiny Inquiry Panel Report (Tourism).**

The Director of Place confirmed that the item was only included for information as it has previously been dealt with by scrutiny and cabinet, In addition the Director of Place confirmed that the Cabinet Member for Investment, Regeneration and Tourism was not able to attend as he was on leave.

Members' questions/comments included:

- 1) Consideration of the Destination Management Plan post 2020.

- 2) Seek Cabinet's reconsideration of the previously rejected recommendations given the improved budget settlement.
- 3) Promoters responsibility in relation to signage and effective clearance of sites following an event.

**Resolved** that:

- 1) The Director of Place submit an updated to a future meeting regarding Promoters responsibilities following an event.
- 2) The Chair write to the Cabinet Member for Investment, Regeneration and Tourism regarding reconsideration of the rejected recommendations and development of the Destination Management Plan 2017-2020.

### **32 Feedback from Site Visit to Homes as Power Stations.**

Members advised that the visit was productive.

In response to Member questions, the Director of Place advised that:

- 1) The project is still work in progress.
- 2) Capital costs are published by the Welsh Government.
- 3) Should Members wish, site visits to other Councils can be facilitated.
- 4) City Deal funding is suggested at 15-20k per unit, although this has not been formally agreed.
- 5) The Equalities and Future Generations PDC are dealing with climate emergency, therefore, we need to ensure that PDC's are not overlapping work loads.

**Resolved** that the update be noted.

### **33 Discussion on Work Programme for 2020.**

The Leader of the Council provided an update in relation to investment into the City.

Members' noted the consent and levels of funding which had been approved on a phased release.

The Leader detailed the availability of reduced rate borrowing from the Treasury. He stated the importance of profits being redirected into new Schemes.

The Leader and Director of Place detailed progress with the City Centre, River Corridor and Skyline venture.

The Chair thanked the Leader of the Council and Director of Place for the informative update who both left the meeting.

**Resolved** that the update be noted.

**34 Workplan 2019/2020.**

The Chair referred to the work plan.

**Resolved** that the work plan for 2020/2021 comprise the following:

20 February 2020	1) Amnesty of Waste (Update).
19 March 2020	1) Annual Report 2019/2020. 2) Implications of Active Travel within Swansea.
16 April 2020	

A discussion ensued regarding items for consideration for the 2020/2021 Work Plan:

- 1) Public Toilets.
- 2) Destination Management Plan.
- 3) Wind Street Gold Status.
- 4) Climate Change – potential implications over the next decade (durability of infrastructure).
- 5) First Cymru Subsidies and Location of Bus Stops.
- 6) Visit to Homes as Power Stations (other Local Authorities).

The meeting ended at 3.28 pm

**Chair**