



City and County of Swansea

## Minutes of the **Cabinet**

Remotely via Microsoft Teams

Thursday, 15 July 2021 at 10.00 am

**Present:** Councillor R C Stewart (Chair) Presided

**Councillor(s)**

M C Child  
D H Hopkins  
R V Smith

**Councillor(s)**

R Francis-Davies  
E J King  
A H Stevens

**Councillor(s)**

L S Gibbard  
A S Lewis  
M Thomas

**Officer(s)**

Gareth Borsden  
Adam Hill  
Tracey Meredith  
Phil Roberts  
Ben Smith

Democratic Services Officer  
Deputy Chief Executive / Director of Resources  
Chief Legal Officer / Monitoring Officer  
Chief Executive  
Chief Finance Officer / Section 151 Officer

**Also present**

Councillor(s): A Pugh

**Apologies for Absence**

None.

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**20. 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:

Councillors D H Hopkins declared a Personal and Prejudicial Interest in Minute 25 "Local Authority Governor Appointments" and left prior to discussion.

Councillors R V Smith declared a Personal Interest in Minute 25 "Local Authority Governor Appointments" and stated that he had dispensation from the Standards Committee to Stay, Speak but Not Vote on matters relating to the Appointment of Local Authority Governors.

**21. Minutes.**

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

- 1) Cabinet held on 17 June 2021.

**22. Announcements of the Leader of the Council.**

The Leader of Council referred to the recent judicial review decision regarding the skate park in Blackpill. He outlined the authority had conceded the decision in order to avoid a lengthy and costly legal process.

He indicated that the Authority remains totally committed to providing a skate park facility for the residents of Swansea going forward, and stated that officers will now look to bring forward a new report for Cabinet to consider.

**23. Public Question Time.**

No questions were asked.

**24. Councillors' Question Time.**

No questions were asked.

**25. Swansea Bay City Deal:- Skills and Talent Programme Business Case.**

The Leader of the Council submitted a report which sought Cabinet approval of the Swansea Bay City Deal Skills and Talent business case and to authorise its' formal submission in accordance with the City Deal Implementation Plan to secure City Deal funding approval.

**Resolved** that:

- 1) the Swansea Bay City Deal Skills and Talent business case (Appendix 1) and its formal submission in accordance with the City Deal Implementation Plan to secure City Deal funding be approved.
- 2) Delegated authority be granted to the Director of Place in consultation with the Cabinet Member to approve any amendments to the business case that may be required to obtain approval at local, regional and national level.

**26. Shaping Swansea – Appointment of Development Partner.**

The Cabinet Member for Economy, Finance & Strategy presented a report which sought approval to the appointment of the Preferred Development Partner following an OJEU competitive dialogue procurement process.

The Section 151 Officer gave advice and referred to the confidential and commercially sensitive information contained in the exempt report at Agenda Item 16.

**Resolved** that:

- 1) the appointment of the preferred bidder as the Strategic Sites Development Partner be approved.

- 2) the commencement of legal negotiations with the preferred bidder to develop the final terms of the Strategic Partnership Agreement (SPA), based on the detailed Heads of Terms concluded during the procurement process be approved.
- 3) Delegated authority be granted to the Director of Place and the Chief Legal Officer to approve the final terms of the SPA and any supporting material and to enter into the SPA, subject to such approval.
- 4) Delegated authority be granted to the Director of Place, in consultation with the Chief Legal Officer and the Chief Finance Officer to approve completion of the Stage 1 process. The granting of a 6 month period of exclusivity to the preferred bidder on completion of Stage 1 is approved on the understanding that a further report will be presented to Cabinet for the approval of Stage 2. This report will set out the updated financial position of the preferred bidder.

**27. Local Authority Governor Appointments.**

The Local Authority Governors Appointment Group submitted a report, which sought approval of the nominations submitted to fill Local Authority (LA) Governor vacancies on School Governing Bodies.

**Resolved** that:

- 1) The following nominations recommended by the Director of Education in conjunction with the Cabinet Member for Education Improvement, Learning & Skills be approved:

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| 1. Casllwchwr Primary School     | Mr John Butler                         |
| 2. Clwyd Primary School          | Cllr Terence Hennegan                  |
| 3. Danygraig Primary School      | Mrs Bryony Kamratov-Jones              |
| 4. Hendrefoilan Primary School   | Mrs Kathryn Novis                      |
| 5. Newton Primary School         | Mrs Sally Harris                       |
| 6. St David's RC Primary School  | Mr Chris Law                           |
| 7. Townhill Primary School       | Mrs Joanne Lewis<br>Cllr David Hopkins |
| 8. YGG Brynymor                  | Mrs Saran Thomas                       |
| 9. Dylan Thomas Community School | Mr Dereck Roberts                      |

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| 10.YG Gwyr | Mrs Aldyth Williams |
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**28. Annual Performance Monitoring Report 2020/21.**

The Cabinet Member for Business Improvement & Performance presented a report which detailed the performance results for 2020/21 delivering the Council's Well-being Objectives (priorities) described in the Corporate Plan 2020/22 *Delivering a Successful & Sustainable Swansea*.

**Resolved** that:

- 1) The performance results are noted and reviewed to help inform executive decisions on resource allocation and, where relevant, corrective actions to manage and improve performance and efficiency in delivering national and local priorities.

**29. West Glamorgan Regional Carers Strategy.**

The Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Community Health Services submitted a report which detailed the 5 year West Glamorgan Regional Carers Strategy and for Swansea Council to endorse as a part of the West Glamorgan Regional arrangements.

**Resolved** that:

- 1) the Five Year West Glamorgan Regional Carers Strategy and supporting Quick Reference Guide document (Appendix 1 and 2) be approved.

**30. West Glamorgan Regional Co-production Framework.**

The Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Community Health Services submitted a report which detailed the West Glamorgan Regional Co-production Framework for Swansea Council to endorse as a part of the West Glamorgan Regional arrangements.

**Resolved** that:

- 1) the West Glamorgan Regional Co-production Framework and supporting Charter and Toolkit (Appendix 1, 2 and 3) be approved.

**31. Framework Agreement for the Provision of Asbestos Surveying/Inspection, Testing/Analytical Services and Licensed Removal.**

The Cabinet Member for Climate Change & Service Transformation submitted a report which sought approval of the All Wales Frameworks for: Asbestos Surveying/Inspection Services; Testing/Analytical Services, and Removal of Asbestos Works.

**Resolved** that:

- 1) the appointment of the Contractors listed in Appendix 1 for all Lots to the Frameworks for: Asbestos Surveying/Inspection Services; Testing/Analytical Services and Removal of Asbestos Works be approved.
- 2) Delegated authority be granted to the Head of Building Services to approve the terms of any future call-off contracts under the Framework Agreement in consultation with the Chief Legal Officer.
- 3) The Chief Legal Officer be authorised to enter into and execute the Framework Agreements and relevant call off contracts as necessary to protect the council's interests.

**32. Economic Acceleration and Regeneration Through Innovation Project (EARTH).**

The Cabinet Member for Economy, Finance & Strategy presented a report which sought approval and implementation of the EARTH Project. The Project will provide the Swansea Bay City Region with the administrative structure and arrangements to build the capacity to allow a number of strategic functions to be delivered at a regional level in the key areas of transport, land-use planning, economic development and energy.

**Resolved** that:

- 1) The ESF grant funding and implementation of the project together with the financial implications be approved.
- 2) Delegated authority be granted to the Director of Place in conjunction with the Chief Legal Officer to negotiate and enter into any collaboration or funding agreements necessary to regulate the relationships between the Local Authority partners in delivering the project.
- 3) The recruitment of staff to establish the local delivery team be approved.

**33. Exclusion of the Public.**

Cabinet were requested to exclude the public from the meeting during consideration of the item(s) of business identified in the recommendations to the report(s) on the grounds that it / they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as set out in the exclusion paragraph of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007 relevant to the items of business set out in the report(s).

Cabinet considered the Public Interest Test in deciding whether to exclude the public from the meeting for the item of business where the Public Interest Test was relevant as set out in the report.

**Resolved** that the public be excluded for the following item(s) of business.

**(Closed Session)**

**34. Shaping Swansea – Appointment of Development Partner.**

The Cabinet Member for Economy, Finance & Strategy submitted a “for information” report regarding the appointment of the Preferred Development Partner following an OJEU competitive dialogue procurement process.

The Section 151 Officer gave advice and information relating to the preferred bidder.

**35. Proposed Appropriation of the Former Brondeg House, St. Johns Road, Manselton, Swansea.**

The Cabinet Member for Delivery & Operations submitted a report which sought approval on whether the former Brondeg House, St. John’s Road, Manselton, Swansea should be appropriated under s122(1) Local Government Act 1972 for the purposes of Housing.

The land proposed to be appropriated is currently held by the Council as Education land and is considered to be surplus to requirements for those purposes.

**Resolved** that the recommendation, as detailed in the report, be approved.

The meeting ended at 10.49 am

**Chair**

| <b>Call In Procedure – Relevant Dates</b>                        |                       |
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| Minutes Published:   | 15 July 2021          |
| Call In Period Expires (3 Clear Working Days after Publication): | 23.59 on 20 July 2021 |
| Decision Comes into force:                                       | 21 July 2021          |