

EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD
CABINET BOARD – 6TH DECEMBER, 2012
POLICY AND RESOURCES

Cabinet Board Members:

Councillors: A.H.Thomas (Chairman) and P.A.Rees

Officers in Attendance:

H.Jenkins, Mrs.K.Jones and Miss G.Cirillo

1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN**

Agreed that Councillor A.H.Thomas be appointed Chairman for the meeting.

2. **MINUTES OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES CABINET BOARD HELD ON THE 25TH OCTOBER, 2012**

Noted by the Committee.

Report of the Director of Finance and Corporate Services

3. **MISCELLANEOUS GRANTS**

Decision:

That the following grant application be approved:-

Glynneath Training Centre, Oddfellows Street, Glynneath - £150 per annum in respect of annual rental.

Reason for Decision:

In accordance with approved criteria.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

Report of the Head of Legal Services

4. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT (DEMOCRACY) (WALES) BILL**

Decisions:

1. That the report be noted;
2. That the Head of Legal Services make further comment to the Welsh Government on the detailed wording of the Bill, as detailed in the circulated report.

Reason for Decision:

To enable representations to be made to the Welsh Government and Assembly on the proposed Bill.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

Report of the Head of Change Management and Innovation

5. **OUTCOME AGREEMENT**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

6. **CORPORATE PLAN – 6 MONTH PROGRESS REPORT**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

7. **QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR DATA FOR CHIEF EXECUTIVES AND FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

8. **QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR DATA**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

9. **SICKNESS ABSENCE**

Decisions:

1. That the report be noted;
2. That a detailed update on the new strategies being implemented across all services be submitted to the next meeting.

Report of the Head of Financial Services

10. **COUNCIL TAX – RECOVERY OF COSTS**

Decision:

That Council Tax Recovery of costs be increased with effect from 1st April 2013, as follows:-

On the issue of a Summons - £39;

On the granting of a Liability Order - £24.

Reason for Decision:

To set the 2013/14 administrative costs to be recovered from the issue of Summonses and Liability Orders.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

11. **BUSINESS RATES – RECOVERY OF COSTS**

Decision:

That the Business Rates Recovery of costs remain unchanged as below:-

On the issue of a Summons - £39;

On the granting of a Liability Order - £31.

Reason for Decision:

To set the 2013/14 administrative costs to be recovered from the issue of summonses and liability orders.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

12. **COUNCIL TAX AND BUSINESS RATES – REPRESENTATION AT MAGISTRATES COURT PROCEEDINGS**

Decision:

That the following staff be authorised to represent the Authority in proceedings before a Magistrates Court for the purpose of the recovery of Council Tax and Non Domestic Rates:-

Ms.A.Hinder
Mrs.P.Hill
Mrs.R.Stanbury
Mrs.S.MacFarlane
Mr.A.MacFarlane
Mrs.A.Greenway
Miss V.Edwards
Mrs.L.Griffiths
Mrs.P.Roberts
Mrs.I.Smith

Reason for Decision:

To confirm officers authorised to represent the Authority at Magistrates Courts proceedings.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

13. **NEATH PORT TALBOT WELSH CHURCH ACTS FUND – FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2011/12**

Decisions:

1. That Members review the accounts and recommend their submission to the Charity Commission;
2. That Council continue to suspend the approval of new applications until further notice.

Reasons for Decisions:

1. To comply with the Charity Commission's requirements;
2. To ensure that the fund remains solvent.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decisions will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

14. **TREASURY MANAGEMENT MONITORING 2012/13**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

15. **PROCUREMENT TENDERING AND EVALUATION PROCESSES**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

16. **ACCESS TO MEETINGS**

Decision:

That pursuant to Regulation 4(3) and (5) of Statutory Instrument 2001 No. 2290, the public be excluded for the following item of business which involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 12, 13 and 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

Private Report of the Head of Financial Services

17. **APPLICATION FOR HARDSHIP RELIEF**

Decision:

That the following application for hardship relief be refused:

SR – Neath

Reason for Decision:

The application was not in accordance with the approved criteria.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call-in period.

CHAIRMAN