

EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD

CABINET

19 OCTOBER 2022

Cabinet Members:

Councillors: S.K.Hunt (Chair), S.A.Knoyle, N.Jenkins, D.M.Peters,
J.Hurley, S.Harris, A.Llewelyn, W.F.Griffiths and J.Hale

Officers in Attendance:

A.Jarrett, C.Furlow-Harris, N.Pearce, M.Shaw, K.Jones, N.Blackmore,
H.Jones, S.Rees, S.Brennan, A.Thomas, S.Davies, R.Headon, L.Willis and
J.Woodman-Ralph

Invitees:

Councillor: P.Rogers (Scrutiny Chairperson)

1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON**

Agreed that Councillor S.K.Hunt be appointed as Chairperson for the meeting.

2. **CHAIRPERSONS ANNOUNCEMENT/S**

The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interests received.

4. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

No questions were received.

5. **CAPITAL BUDGET MONITORING REPORT 2022/2023 - AS AT END OF SEPTEMBER 2022**

Decisions:

1. That the updated proposed 2022/2023 budget totalling £72,540m be approved and commended to Council.
2. That the position in relation to expenditure as at 30th September 2022 be noted.

Reason for Decisions:

To comply with the Council's constitution in relation to budget virement, re-profiling between financial years and to update the Council's Budget projections for 2022/23.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended at 9am, Sunday 23 October 2022.

6. **REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING REPORT 2022/2023 - AS AT END OF SEPTEMBER 2022**

Decisions:

1. That the additional funding to schools and services equivalent to a 4% pay award.
2. That the virements set out in the report be approved.
3. That the contents of the report in relation to the current projected budget outturn and reserves position be noted.

Reason for Decisions:

To update the Council's budget for virements and reserve movements, in accordance with the Council's constitution.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended at 9am, Sunday 23 October 2022.

7. **TREASURY MANAGEMENT MONITORING 2022/2023**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

8. **ANNUAL TREASURY MANAGEMENT OUTTURN REPORT 2021/2022**

Decision:

That the 2021/2022 treasury management function performance as detailed in the circulated report including the actual 2021/2022 prudential and treasury indicators be noted.

9. **MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2022/23 TO 2027/2028**

Decisions:

1. That the current position modelled in respect of the “Medium Term Financial Plan 2022/2023 to 2027/2028 be noted.
2. That further updates be received as part of the annual budget setting process.

10. **RESPONSE TO THE WELSH GOVERNMENT'S CONSULTATION PAPER - 'A FAIRER COUNCIL TAX'**

Decisions:

1. That the proposed consultation responses as detailed in Appendix 1 to the circulated report be approved.

2. That the Leader of Council write to the Welsh Government encouraging more progress be made in delivering a fairer council tax system.

Reason for Decisions:

To respond to Welsh Government consultation.

Implementation of Decisions:

With the agreement of the Cabinet Scrutiny Chairperson the decision will be implemented immediately. The item is not subject to the 3 day call in period.

11. UK SHARED PROSPERITY FUND - IMPLEMENTATION

Decisions:

1. That the Implementation Plan as detailed in the circulated report be approved.
2. That the Director of Environment and Regeneration in consultation with the Chief Finance Officer, the Leader and relevant Cabinet Member(s) be granted delegated authority to enter into grant agreements or associated documentation that might be necessary to draw down funding from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.
3. That a report seeking agreement on the Neath Port Talbot Anchor projects will follow be noted.

Reason for Decisions:

To enable Neath Port Talbot Council to develop anchor projects and formally submit to the assessment process.

Implementation of Decisions:

With the agreement of the Cabinet Scrutiny Chairperson the decision will be implemented immediately. The item is not subject to the 3 day call in period.

12. **THE STRATEGIC WORKFORCE PLAN 2022 - 2027: THE FUTURE OF WORK STRATEGY**

Decision:

1. That the Strategic Workforce Plan 2022 – 2027: The Future of Work Strategy be noted.

13. **CORPORATE PLAN ANNUAL REPORT 1ST APRIL 2021 TO 31ST MARCH 2022**

Decisions:

1. That the following documents be commended to Council for approval:
 - Draft Corporate Plan Annual Report for 2021/2022 (full progress report)
 - Draft Corporate Plan Annual Report Summary for 2021/2022
 - Key Performance Indicators for 2021/2022.
2. That the Leader of Council be given authority to make such changes as may be needed to the Annual Report prior to publication, provided that such changes do not materially alter the content of the document considered by Council.

Reason for Decisions:

To meet the statutory requirements set out in the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended at 9am, Sunday 23 October 2022.

14. **WELSH LANGUAGE PROMOTION STRATEGY REVIEW**

Decision:

That a Scrutiny Task and Finish Group be established to review the current Welsh Language Promotion Strategy.

Reason for Decision:

To ensure the Council meets the requirements of the Welsh Language Standards.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended at 9am, Sunday 23 October 2022.

15. **SWANSEA BAY UNIVERSITY HEALTH BOARD - INDEPENDENT MEMBER (LOCAL AUTHORITY)**

Decision:

That Councillors J. Hale and N. Jenkins be Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council's nominees to the Swansea Bay University Health Board.

Reason for Decision:

To ensure that the Council is able to identify nominees to sit on the SBUHB.

Implementation of Decision:

With the agreement of the Cabinet Scrutiny Chairperson the decision will be implemented immediately. The item is not subject to the 3 day call in period.

16. **QUARTER 1 (1ST APRIL 2022 - 30TH JUNE 2022) CORPORATE INDICATORS AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S DIRECTORATE SERVICE LEVEL INDICATORS 2022/2023**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

17. **URGENT ITEMS**

There were no urgent items received.

CHAIRPERSON