

EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD

**ENVIRONMENT, REGENERATION AND STREETSCENE SERVICES
CABINET BOARD**

22 MARCH 2024

Cabinet Members:

Councillors: W.F.Griffiths and S.Jones (Chairperson)

Officers in Attendance:

N.Pearce, S.Brennan, D.Griffiths, M.Roberts, C.Morris, J.Stevens, D.Rees, Ms.J.Smith and T.McConvey, T.Rees and C.Plowman

Scrutiny Invitees:

Councillors: S.Purseley and T.Bowen

1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON**

Agreed that Councillor S.Jones 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. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on 9 February 2024 were approved as an accurate record.

5. **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME**

The Forward Work Programme was noted.

6. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

No questions were received.

7. **HEALTHY TRAVEL CHARTER**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

8. **PERFORMANCE MEASURES 2023/2024 – QUARTER 3**

Decision:

That the report be noted.

9. **LIST OF APPROVED CONTRACTORS**

Decision:

That having had due regard to the Integrated Impact Assessment, the List of Approved Contractors be amended as follows:

Companies to be added to the List of Approved Contractors:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Category</u>
Bramwood Timber Products Ltd (B046)	10

Companies to be included on the List for additional categories:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Category</u>
F&T Refrigeration Ltd (F006)	39,59

Companies to be removed from the List of Approved Contractors:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Category</u>
Arjo Med Ab Ltd (A026)	51

Reason for Decision:

To keep the List of Approved Contractors up to date, and as far as possible, ensure a competitive procurement process. In addition, for the purpose of supplying a List of Approved Contractors for invitation to tender within the relevant category.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended at 9am, Tuesday 26 March 2024.

10. **PROPOSED 'PROHIBITION OF WAITING, LOADING AND UNLOADING AT ANY TIME' TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER ON MEADOW ROAD FOR THE NEW HOUSING DEVELOPMENT, CLOS CASTAN, NEATH**

Decision:

That having had due regard to the Integrated Impact Assessment, approval be granted to advertise the Traffic Regulation Order on Meadow Road, Neath for the new Housing Development (as detailed in Appendix A to the circulated report), and should no objections be received the proposal be implemented on site as advertised.

Reason for Decision:

The proposed traffic regulation order will prevent indiscriminate parking and improve manoeuvrability issues in the interest of road safety.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended at 9am, Tuesday 26 March 2024.

11. **PROPOSED 'PROHIBITION OF WAITING, LOADING AND UNLOADING AT ANY TIME' TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER COEDCAE, PONTARDAWE**

Decision:

That having had due regard to the Integrated Impact Assessment, approval be granted to advertise the Traffic Regulation Order at Coedcae, Pontardawe (as detailed in Appendix A to the circulated

report), and should no objections be received the proposal be implemented on site as advertised.

Reason for Decision:

The proposed traffic regulation order will prevent indiscriminate parking and improve manoeuvrability issues in the interest of road safety.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended at 9am, Tuesday 26 March 2024.

12. **CLOS OLYMPAIDD, THE PRINCESS MARGARET WAY, CHANNEL VIEW, PORTH Y GWYDDEL AND GOLWY Y MADJOE, SANDFIELDS, PORT TALBOT (REVOCATION) (PROHIBITION OF WAITING, LOADING AND UNLOADING AT ANY TIME) (PROHIBITION OF WAITING AT ANY TIME) AND (PROHIBITION OF RIGHT TURN) ORDER 2024**

Decision:

That having had due regard to the Integrated Impact Assessment:

- That the objections be overruled to the (Clos Olympaidd, The Princess Margaret Way, Channel View, Porth Y Gwyddel and Golwy Y Madjoe, Sandfields, Port Talbot) (Revocation) (Prohibition of Waiting, Loading and Unloading At Any Time) (Prohibition of Waiting At Any Time) and (Prohibition of Right Turn) Order 2024 (as detailed in Appendix A to the circulated report), and the scheme be implemented as advertised.
- That the objectors be informed of the decision accordingly.

Reason for Decision:

The traffic regulation orders will prevent indiscriminate parking around the access roads to the Awel Afan Development in the interest of highway safety.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended at 9am, Tuesday 26 March 2024.

13. **HIGHWAYS WORKS PROGRAMME 2024/25**

Decision:

That having had due regard to the First Stage Integrated Impact Assessment, the programme of works for 2024/2025 (as set out in Appendices A&C of the circulated report) be approved.

Reason for Decision:

To maintain assets for which the Council was responsible as Highway Authority, and address community concerns in relation to same.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended at 9am, Tuesday 26 March 2024.

14. **STREET LIGHTING ENERGY - CONSULTATION RESPONSE**

Decision:

Following the proposal of the Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services Scrutiny Committee, held prior to this meeting, Members were supportive of the amendment to the recommendations contained within the circulated report. The recommendations were therefore approved as follows:

That having had due regard to the First Stage Integrated Impact Assessment:

- That the feedback from the consultation be noted
- That the 25% dimming of LED lanterns be approved
- That a pilot study of part nighttime lighting be approved, to gain a better understanding of the impacts of such saving strategies and thereby enable evidence based decisions to be made in the future, if considered appropriate. Prior to such a pilot taking place, a further report is brought before Members giving details of the geographical location of the proposed pilot study, the duration of the pilot study, and the times when the lights will be turned off/on, all to be agreed by Members prior to any pilot being undertaken. The results of pilot scheme then being referred to Members to inform any future decisions, if considered necessary. Consultation shall be undertaken as part of the pilot study and shall include an assessment of the impacts upon women and young girls in terms

of violence, domestic abuse and sexual violence. The results of that consultation shall be reported to members following the completion of the pilot and consultation.

Reason for Decision:

To enable some savings to be made to offset the large increases in energy costs, and to provide Members with more information on the impact of part night lighting.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended at 9am, Tuesday 26 March 2024.

15. **URGENT ITEMS**

There were no urgent items received.

16. **ACCESS TO MEETINGS - EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

Decision:

That the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as set out in Paragraph 14 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007 subject to the Public Interest Test (where appropriate) being applied.

17. **AUTOMATIC NUMBER PLATE RECOGNITION (ANPR) CAMERA REQUEST (EXEMPT UNDER PARAGRAPH 18)**

Decision:

That having had due regard to the First Stage Integrated Impact Assessment:

- That the mounting of ANPR cameras on street lights be approved in principle, subject to agreeing an acceptable Memorandum of Understanding with the Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner for South Wales
- That delegated authority be granted to the Director of Environment & Regeneration in consultation with the Head of Legal Services, to finalise, agree and enter into an associated Memorandum of

Understanding or other written agreement with the Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner for South Wales; and to agree ANPR locations where mounted on highway infrastructure.

Reason for Decision:

To determine a response to a request from South Wales Police.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended at 9am, Tuesday 26 March 2024.

18. **PROPOSED LIFTING OF RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS AND SALE OF A SMALL AREA OF LAND AT THE FORMER FOUR WINDS HOTEL, PRINCESS MARGARET WAY, PORT TALBOT (EXEMPT UNDER PARAGRAPH 14)**

Decision:

That having had due regard to the first stage Integrated Impact Assessment, the release of the two covenants and the disposal of land on the terms and conditions set out in the circulated report, be agreed.

Reason for Decision:

The disposal of the land and release of the covenants will provide the Council with a capital receipt

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended at 9am, Tuesday 26 March 2024.

19. **PROPOSED RELEASE OF A RESTRICTIVE COVENANT ON LAND ADJACENT TO 5 PARK ROW, CWMAVON, PORT TALBOT (EXEMPT UNDER PARAGRAPH 14)**

Decision:

That having had due regard to the first stage Integrated Impact Assessment, the terms and conditions, for the release of the covenant on the terms set out in the circulated report, be approved.

Reason for Decision:

The release of the covenants will provide the Council with a capital receipt.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended at 9am, Tuesday 26 March 2024.

20. **UNITY MINE – REQUEST TO AUTHORISE THE RELEASE OF A BOND (EXEMPT UNDER PARAGRAPH 14)**

Decision:

That having had due regard to the Integrated Impact Screening Assessment, that delegated authority be granted to the Director of Environment and Regeneration to:

- Formally draw down the bond in place with Barclays Bank in respect of Unity Mine made available to contribute towards the cost of completing the restoration of the site in accordance with the approved details submitted under the planning conditions
- To suspend Rule 11 of the Contract Procedure Rules and enter into any financial agreements with Blue Rock necessary to facilitate onward payment of sums incurred because of the restoration of the site in accordance with the approved detailed submitted under the planning conditions

Reason for Decision:

To contribute towards the cost of completing the restoration of the site in accordance with the approved details submitted under the planning conditions.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended at 9am, Tuesday 26 March 2024.

CHAIRPERSON