

EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD

CABINET

30 APRIL 2025

Cabinet Members:

Councillors: S.K.Hunt, N.Jenkins, J.Hurley, S.Harris, J.Hale,
A.Llewelyn, W.F.Griffiths and S.Jones

Officers in Attendance:

F.O'Brien, A.Jarrett, N.Daniel, H.Jones, C.Millis, C.Griffiths, S.Brennan,
C.Morris, S. Owen, V.Smith, M.Weaver, L.Beynon, S.Griffiths, N.Jones and
T.Davies

1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON**

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

2. **CHAIRPERSONS ANNOUNCEMENT/S**

The Chair welcomed all to the meeting.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were received.

4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the previous meeting of Cabinet, held on 9 April 2025, were agreed as an accurate record.

5. **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME 2024/25**

The Forward Work Programme was noted.

6. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

No public questions were received.

7. **ELECTRIC VEHICLE ON-STREET HOME CHARGING**

Decisions:

1. That the current moratorium on on-street charging be modified to permit a limited trial of on-street home charging.
2. That the Director of Environment and Regeneration be delegated authority to agree the location and details concerning any pilot.
3. That Officers continue discussions with Welsh Government through Transport for Wales and the WLGA to ensure a consistent approach across Wales.
4. That prior to the implementation of a pilot, a report including location details and cost be brought to Environment Regeneration and Streetscene Services Committee for scrutiny.

Reason for Decisions:

Given the uptake of electric vehicles which is likely to accelerate as the date for the EV mandate draws closer, and the increased requests from residents for home on-street charging, the option to undertake an initial limited local trial, pending positive feedback from existing trials underway elsewhere, will allow the opportunity to gain a first-hand understanding of any issues which may arise.

This would be undertaken in conjunction with continuing to liaise with Transport for Wales and Welsh Government to pursue guidance and ensure a consistent approach across Wales.

A licenced trial will, given the legal implications for the Authority with the potential safety issues arising from residents trailing a cable across the highway, aim to reduce the likelihood of unprotected and unmonitored cable trailing.

Implementation of Decisions:

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

8. **POLICIES FOR THE USE OF ARTIFICIAL GRASS AND INSTALLATION OF HONEYBEE HIVES ON NPT COUNCIL / MANAGED LAND**

Decisions:

That having given due regard to the Integrated Impact Assessment:

1. The policy for the Use of Artificial Grass on Council owned/managed land as presented in Appendix 2 to the circulated report, be agreed.
2. The policy for the Installation of Honeybee Hives on Council owned/managed land as presented in Appendix 3, be agreed.

Reason for Decisions:

To ensure compliance with the requirements of the Environment (Wales) Act 2016 and to ensure that the Council commits to take steps to help nature recover.

Implementation of Decisions:

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

9. **LIST OF APPROVED CONTRACTORS**

Decisions:

That having had due regard to the Integrated Impact Assessment, it be agreed that the following companies be added to the List of Approved Contractors:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Category</u>
Compliance Pest Control Ltd (C081)	5
Greens Security Property Services (G03)	3, 21F, 21G, 47
One Vision Digital Ltd (O013)	111

Reason for Decisions:

To keep the List of Approved Contractors up to date and as far as possible, ensure a competitive procurement process, and for the purpose

of supplying a List of Approved Contractors for invitation to tender within the relevant category.

Implementation of Decisions:

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

10. **URGENT ITEMS**

No urgent items were received.

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

RESOLVED: 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 13 and 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

12. **HILLSIDE MANAGERS REPORT (EXEMPT UNDER PARAGRAPH 13)**

Decision:

That the Private report be noted.

13. **HILLSIDE RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS REPORT (EXEMPT UNDER PARAGRAPH 13)**

Decision:

That the Private report be noted.

14. **LEASE OF RETAIL UNIT, NEATH (EXEMPT UNDER PARAGRAPH 14)**

Decision:

That having had due regard to the first stage Integrated Impact Assessment, the terms and conditions for the grant of an agreement for lease, and internal repairing lease of Retail Unit 3, within the Neath Town

Centre Leisure and Retail Development on the terms set out in the Private circulated report, be agreed.

Reason for Decision:

To allow this prominently located vacant premises to be let and operated by a new local company as a start-up business venture and also provide an annual income for the Council.

Implementation of Decision:

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

CHAIRPERSON