

**EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD**  
**ENVIRONMENT AND HIGHWAYS CABINET BOARD**  
**12<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2015**

**Cabinet Members:**

Councillors: E.V.Latham and Mrs.S.Miller (Chairman)

**Officers in Attendance:**

D.Griffiths, P. Jackson, Ms.C.Brettle and Mrs.T.Davies

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1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN**

Agreed that Councillor Mrs S.Miller be appointed Chairman for the meeting.

2. **MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND HIGHWAYS CABINET BOARD HELD ON 29TH JANUARY 2015**

Noted by the Committee.

3. **COMBINED HIGHWAY AND NEIGHBOURHOOD WORKS PROGRAMME 2015/16**

**Decision:**

That the Combined Highway and Neighbourhood Works Programme 2015/2016, as summarised within the circulated report, be approved.

**Reason for Decision:**

To support and progress the key themes and objectives of the Community Plan.

**Implementation of Decision:**

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

**Consultation:**

Comprehensive consultation has taken place with Local Ward Members.

4. **PERFORMANCE INDICATORS - QUARTER 3 2014/15**

**Decision:**

That the report be noted.

5. **VEHICLE FLEET PROCUREMENT PROGRAMME 2015/16**

**Decision:**

That the Vehicle Procurement Programme for 2015/16, as detailed at Appendix 1 to the circulated report, be approved.

**Reason for Decision:**

The replacement of the vehicles detailed within the circulated report will have a beneficial effect on both the environment and the productivity of the Authority.

**Implementation of Decision:**

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

**Consultation:**

Consultation has taken place with all relevant user Directorates.

6. **TRAFFIC ORDERS - NEATH PEDESTRIAN AREA 2015**

**Decision:**

That, having due regard to the Equality Impact Assessment screening, the objections be overruled, the objectors informed accordingly and the scheme implemented as previously advertised in February 2015, this to align with the opening of the new multi-story car park in Neath Town Centre.

**Reason for Decision:**

To prevent unauthorised entry and indiscriminate parking in the interest of improved pedestrian road safety.

**Implementation of Decision:**

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

**Consultation:**

This item has been subject to external consultation.

7. **NEW NEATH MULTI STOREY CAR PARK OPERATING REGIME**

**Decision:**

That, having given due regard to the Equality Impact Assessment:-

1. The management of the Neath multi-storey be undertaken by the Authority's parking services;
2. New pay and display machines be purchased for the Neath multi-storey car park;
3. Officers be authorised to vary the Authority's civic properties facilities term contract to include the new lifts in to the current facilities maintenance contract;
4. The tariff structure set out at Appendix A to the circulated report, be approved.

**Reason for Decision:**

To enable the Authority to adopt an operating regime for the new Neath multi-storey car park.

**Implementation of Decision:**

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

### **Consultation:**

A legal order will be advertised and any objections/observations will be presented to a future Environment and Highways Scrutiny Committee for discussion before consideration by the Environment and Highways Cabinet Board.

## 8. **COMMUNITY TRANSPORT - WITHDRAWAL OF FUNDING**

Cabinet Board Members recognised the support of the Scrutiny Committee regarding Community Transport, and noted that the Committee would remain supportive of any mergers that may be proposed in the future. Members noted that a review into third sector funding was currently ongoing, and should Members agree to withdraw funding for Neath Port Talbot Community Transport, this would not preclude the organisation from applying for funding in the future.

Members took into account, that having due regard to the full Equality Impact Assessment, in the interest of protecting the public purse and the findings of the Authority's Internal Audit Report into Neath Port Talbot Community Transport, and the independent Auditor's lack of audit opinion for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014.

### **Decision:**

That the Authority withdraws its financial support to Neath Port Talbot Community Transport from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015.

### **Reason for Decision:**

Due to serious concerns over the financial management and governance of Neath Port Talbot Community Transport.

### **Implementation of Decision:**

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

## 9. **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME 2014/15**

### **Decision:**

That the Forward Work Programme 2014/15 be noted.

10. **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 Paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

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**CHAIRMAN**