

EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD

CABINET

27 SEPTEMBER 2017

Cabinet Members:

Councillors: R.G.Jones, A.J.Taylor, C.Clement-Williams, D.W.Davies, D.Jones, A.R.Lockyer, P.A.Rees and A.Wingrave

Officers in Attendance:

S.Phillips, H.Jenkins, A.Evans, G.Nutt, Mrs.K.Jones, C.Furlow and A.Manchipp

1. CHANGES TO OUTSIDE BODY REPRESENTATION

Decision:

That Councillor O.Davies replace Councillor S.Freeguard on the TATA Joint Consultative Group.

Reason For Decision:

To update the Council's membership arrangements.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision is for immediate implementation. The Chair of the Scrutiny Committee has agreed to this course of action, there would therefore be no call in of this decision.

2. WELLBEING OBJECTIVES AND THE CORPORATE PLAN

Decision:

That having regard to the Equality Impact Assessment appended to the circulated report:

- The Plan set out at Appendix 1 to the circulated report together with the supporting document set out at Appendix 2, be approved;
- That the Plan be commended to Council on 28 September 2017, for adoption;
- That delegated authority be granted to the Leader of Council to agree any changes to the Plan as a result of any comments received at Council on 28 September, together with any other minor changes that might be necessary prior to the publication of the Plan.

Reason for Decision:

To ensure the results of the public consultation exercise are fully considered and reflected in the final Corporate Plan and to meet legal duties set out in the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 and the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2009 as they relate to council corporate planning activities.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision is for immediate implementation. The Chair has agreed to this course of action. There would therefore be no call in of this decision.

Consultation:

A period of public consultation was undertaken between 6 July and 8 September, 2017 based on the consultation plan agreed by the Cabinet in July 2017. The feedback received is summarised in a consultation report included at Appendix 3.

3. HACKNEY CARRIAGE FARE INCREASES

Decisions:

1. That the report be deferred so that a further consultation be undertaken on the proposals, and that the Equality Impact Assessment be re visited:
2. That the Leader of Council together with the appropriate Cabinet Member be given delegated authority to determine the proposal, subject to 1.above.
3. That a further report be submitted to Members on future delegations.

Reason for Decisions:

To implement Hackney Carriage fare increases

Implementation of Decisions:

These decisions will be implemented after the 3 day call in period. The new maximum hackney carriage fare will become effective following the completion of the statutory consultation requirements.

Consultation:

A consultation exercise has taken place with the hackney carriage proprietors. However where a decision is taken by members to increase the maximum fare, the proposed increase must be advertised on one occasion in a local newspaper for a period of at least 14 days; any objections must then be considered before the increase can become effective.

**4.RESPONSE TO THE WELSH GOVERNMENT
CONSULTATION 'OUR VALLEYS, OUR FUTURE'
CONSULTATION DOCUMENT**

Cabinet reflected on the content of the advice documented by the Task and Finish Group and welcomed the detailed consideration that had been given to the Welsh Government proposals. Cabinet also noted the points made in Scrutiny Committee. Amendments were suggested by individual Cabinet Members re the importance of securing investment for a strategic hub; the need for Councils to be compensated if a free car parking policy was to be implemented; and that priority be given to establishing a fit for purpose transport infrastructure.

Decision:

That the Task Force advice form the substantive basis of the Council's response to Welsh Government, but incorporating the key points made by the Scrutiny Committee and the amendments put forward during the Cabinet meeting.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision is for immediate implementation. The Chair has agreed to this course of action. There will therefore be no call in of this decision.

Reason for Decision:

In order for this Authority's views in relation to the Welsh Government consultation document to be taken into account and also to meet the deadline.

CHAIRPERSON