

**EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD**

**CABINET BOARD – 26TH FEBRUARY 2015**

**ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY REGENERATION CABINET BOARD**

**Cabinet Board Members:**

Councillors: A.J.Taylor and M.L.James

**Officers in Attendance:**

D.Phillips and Mrs.J.Woodman-Ralph

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1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN**

Agreed that Cllr. A.J.Taylor be appointed Chairman for the meeting.

2. **MINUTES OF THE ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY REGENERATION CABINET BOARD HELD ON THE 14TH JANUARY 2015**

Noted by Committee.

3. **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME 2014/15**

**Decision:**

Noted by Committee.

4. **PERFORMANCE INDICATOR MONITORING REPORT 3RD QUARTER 2014/2015 - LIBRARY SERVICE**

**Decision:**

That the report be noted.

5. **ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY REGENERATION PERFORMANCE INDICATORS FOR QUARTER 3**

**Decision:**

That the report be noted.

6. **AMENDED CHARGING SCHEME FOR THE CHARGEABLE BUILDING CONTROL SERVICES**

**Decision:**

That the report be noted.

7. **PLAZA ARTS AND CULTURE HUB**

After due consideration by Cabinet Members of the additional recommendation suggested by the previous Scrutiny Committee it was approved as detailed in 4) as below.

**Decision:**

- 1) That, the Authority pursue the redevelopment of the Plaza as a sustainable multi-purpose cultural venue and hub for creativity and enterprise, to include a flexible space auditorium, gallery, exhibition space, café, office space and production facilities in the creative industries which would require the relocation of the Princess Royal Theatre on the opening of the redeveloped Plaza;
- 2) that grants and loans applications be made to meet the funding gap, as detailed in the circulated report;
- 3) that consultants be appointed to develop detailed designs, fit out and pre-construction cost estimates;
- 4) that a further report be presented to the Economic and Community Regeneration Cabinet Board and Scrutiny Committee, to include the current draft business plan.

### **Reasons for Decisions:**

- 1) To enable the Authority to develop the proposals and implement the Business Plan;
- 2) To secure the necessary funding and long term management of the Plaza;
- 3) To protect a listed building and iconic symbol of Port Talbot and provide a 21<sup>st</sup> Century performance space fit for purpose;
- 4) To ensure a sustainable, well designed, cost effective project.

### **Implementation of Decision:**

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

## 8. **ABERAVON SEAFRONT - BEACH LIFESAVING SERVICE**

### **Decisions:**

- 1) That a contract be entered into with the RNLI as the Beach Lifesaving service provider for Aberavon Seafront for a period of three years commencing on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015;
- 2) that the annual contract fee to fund the RNLI be reduced to £30,000, which would be subject to any inflationary increases in the intervening years.

### **Reason for Decisions:**

To minimize the drowning risk and to provide an enhanced lifeguarding cover on Aberavon Beach from an experienced and reputable service provider.

### **Implementation of Decisions:**

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

9. **URGENT ITEMS**

Because of the need to deal now with the matters contained in Minute No. and below, the Chairman agreed that these could be raised at today's meeting as urgent items pursuant to Statutory Instrument 2001 No.2290 (as amended).

Reason for Urgency:

Due to Timescale

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 items 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.

11. **PROPOSED LEASE OF WAUNCEIRCH DISTRICT PARK, WAUNCEIRCH, NEATH**

**Decision:**

That the grant of the lease to Blaenhonddan Community Council of Waunceirch District Park, on the terms detailed within the private circulated report, be approved.

**Reason for Proposed Decision:**

To allow the District Park to continue to be used by the local community.

**Implementation of Decision:**

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

12. **FORMER DWR Y FELIN LOWER SCHOOL, HEOL PENLAN, NEATH**

Officers gave a verbal update at the meeting and explained that the recommendation that Members were asked to consider was not correct and asked for the following recommendation to be considered:

**Decision:**

That negotiations continue with Persimmon in relation to the former Dwy Y Felin Lower School at Heol Penlan, Neath and a further report be submitted to a future meeting with the final proposal for consideration by Economic and Community Regeneration Cabinet Board.

**Reason for Decision:**

To enable the disposal of surplus property and to gain a capital receipt.

**Implementation of Decision:**

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

13. **PROPOSED LEASE OF EVANS BEVAN PLAYING FIELDS, BAGLAN, PORT TALBOT**

**Decision:**

That the grant of the lease to the Trustees of Baglan and District Boys Club, Baglan Dragons AFC and Baglan Cricket Clubs of the Evans Bevan playing fields, on the terms detailed within the private circulated report, be approved.

**Reason for Decision:**

To allow the playing fields to continue to be used by the football and cricket clubs, for the benefit of the local community.

**Implementation of Decision:**

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

14. **PROPOSED LEASE OF MOZART DRIVE COMMUNITY CENTRE, SANDFIELDS, PORT TALBOT**

**Decision:**

That the grant of the lease to TDM Community Studios Trustees of the Mozart Drive Community Centre, on the terms detailed within the private circulated report, be approved.

**Reason for Decision:**

To allow the premises to continue to be used for the benefit of the Community.

**Implementation of Decision:**

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

15. **PROPOSED LEASE OF PLAYING FIELDS AND PAVILION AT TALBOT MEMORIAL PARK, PORT TALBOT**

**Decision:**

That the grant of the lease to the Trustees of Taibach RFC of the Talbot Memorial Park, Port Talbot, playing fields and pavilion, on the terms detailed within the private urgent report, be approved.

**Reason for Decision:**

To allow the playing fields and pavilion to continue to be used by the rugby and football clubs, for the benefit of the local community.

**Implementation of Decision:**

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

16. **PROPOSED LEASE OF THE PLAYING FIELDS, AT COED HIRWAUN, MARGAM, PORT TALBOT**

**Decision:**

That the grant of the lease to the Trustees of Coed Hirwaun Village Minis Football Club of the playing fields at Coed Hirwaun, Margam, on the terms detailed within the private urgent report, be approved.

**Reasons for Decision:**

To will allow the playing field and pavilion to continue to be used by the rugby and football clubs, for the benefit of the local community.

**Implementation of Decision:**

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

17. **PROPOSED LEASE OF THE PLAYING FIELDS AT THE MAERDY SITE, TAIRGWAITH, AMMANFORD**

**Decision:**

That the grant of the lease to the Trustees of Cwmgors RFC of the playing fields at the Maerdy Site, Tairgwaith, Ammanford, on the terms detailed within the private urgent report, be approved.

**Reasons for Decision:**

To allow the playing fields to continue to be used by the club and the local community.

**Implementation of Decision:**

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

18. **PROPOSED LEASE OF PLAYING FIELDS AND PAVILION OFF BEATRICE STREET, BLAENGWYNI, PORT TALBOT**

**Decision:**

That the grant of the lease to the Trustees of Gwnfi AFC of the playing field and pavilion off Beatrice Street, Blaengwynfi, on the terms detailed within the private urgent report, be approved.

**Reasons for Decision:**

To allow the playing field and pavilion to continue to be used by the football club, for the benefit of the local community.

**Implementation of Decision:**

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

19. **SALE OF FORMER MORFA AFAN CARE HOME, SANDFIELDS, PORT TALBOT**

Members received a verbal addition to the recommendation;

**Decision:**

That the offer received from Hales Construction (on behalf of Gwalia Housing) for the former Morfa Afan Care Home, Sandfields, Port Talbot, be approved and that a time limited option agreement be entered into with Gwalia Housing in regard to the area marked in grey as detailed in the private circulated report.

**Reasons for Decision:**

To enable the sale of surplus land and to attain a capital receipt.

**Implementation of Decision:**

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



20. **PROPOSED LEASE OF PLAYING FIELDS AND PAVILION AT THE RECREATION GROUND, PONTARDAWE, SWANSEA**

**Decision:**

That the grant of a lease to Pontardawe Community Sports and Recreation Association in respect of the playing fields and pavilion at the Recreation Ground, Pontardawe, Swansea, on the terms detailed within the private urgent report, be approved.

**Reason for Decision:**

To allow the playing fields and pavilion to continue to be used by the user clubs, for the benefit of the local community.

**Implementation of Decision:**

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

21. **PROPOSED LEASE OF THE PLAYING AREA/FIELD AT EBBW VALE ROW, CWMAVON, PORT TALBOT**

**Decision:**

That the grant of a lease to the Trustees of Cwmavon Welfare Ground of the playing field situated between Ebbw Vale Row and The Welfare Ground, Cwmavon, Port Talbot, on the terms detailed within the private urgent report, be approved.

**Reason for Decision:**

To allow the playing area/field to continue to be used by local sports club, for the benefit of the local community.

**Implementation of Decision:**

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

22. **PROPOSED LEASE OF THE CROSS COMMUNITY CENTRE,  
PONTARDAWE, SWANSEA**

**Decision:**

That the grant of a lease to Jones Community Leisure of the Community Centre at The Cross, Pontardawe, Swansea, on the terms detailed within the private urgent report, be approved.

**Reasons for Decision:**

To allow the premises to continue to be used for the benefit of the Community.

**Implementation of Decision:**

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

**CHAIRMAN**