EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD

5 DECEMBER, 2018

CABINET

Cabinet Members:

Councillors: R.G.Jones, A.J.Taylor (Chairperson), D.W.Davies,

E.V.Latham, A.R.Lockyer, P.A.Rees, P.D.Richards and

A.Wingrave

Invitees: Councillor A.N. Woolcock (Chairperson of the Scrutiny

Committee)

Councillor S.Rahaman (Vice Chairperson of the Scrutiny

Committee)

Officers in Attendance:

S.Phillips, K.Jones, H.Jenkins, G.Nutt, A.Jarrett, C.Griffiths, A.Thomas, S.John, C.Furlow, J.Stevens and N.Headon

1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON

Agreed that Councillor A.J.Taylor be appointed Chairperson, for the meeting.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The following Members made declarations of interest:

Councillor R.G.Jones Re: Report of the Head of Transformation in

relation to the Project Proposal made to Members' Community Fund, Margam Community Centre, as he is the Ward

Member for Margam.

Councillor A.N.Woolcock Re: Report of the Head of Transformation in

relation to the Project Proposal made to Members' Community Fund, Community Transport as he is the Ward Member for

Lower Brynamman.

Councillor D.W.Davies Re: Report of the Assistant Chief Executive and

Chief Digital Officer in relation to the Strategic Equality Plan 2017-2019, as he is a Trustee of the Neath Port Talbot Black and Minority

Ethnic (BME) Community Association.

Councillor S.Rahaman Re: Report of the Assistant Chief Executive and

Chief Digital Officer in relation to the Strategic Equality Plan 2017-2019, as he is a Trustee on the Neath Port Talbot Black and Minority

Ethnic (BME) Community Association.

3. **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME 2018**

Noted by Committee.

4. MINUTES OF THE MARGAM JOINT CREMATORIUM COMMITTEE OF 22 JUNE AND 21 SEPTEMBER, 2018

Noted by Committee.

5. SMART AND CONNECTED - A REVISED DIGITAL STRATEGY

Members thanked the Assistant Chief Executive and Chief Digital Officer, and Head of IT for their extensive consultation on the report.

The Assistant Chief Executive and Chief Digital Officer highlighted that before the report would be presented to the next meeting of Council for adoption, the number of resident respondents will be amended from 77 to 100.

Decisions:

- That the revised Strategy Smart and Connected as set out in Appendix 1 of the circulated report, be commended to Council for adoption, subject to the number of resident respondents being amended from 77 to 100;
- 2. That the Assistant Chief Executive and Chief Digital Officer be authorised to take the steps necessary within approved budget

guidelines, to develop and implement a delivery programme to realise the objectives set out in the Strategy.

Reason for Decisions:

To ensure the Council's Digital Strategy is fit for purpose.

Implementation of Decisions:

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

6. STRATEGIC EQUALITY PLAN 2017-2018

It was suggested by Cabinet Scrutiny Committee that there should be a cross-reference to the Welsh Language Legislation in the Plan.

Officers agreed that the text related to narrowing the educational attainment gap within the report, would be reviewed before the final report was published.

RESOLVED: that the report be noted.

7. PROVISION OF LOAN FUNDING TO CELTIC LEISURE LIMITED

Decisions:

- 1. That a loan in the sum of £250,000 to Celtic Leisure Limited, be approved;
- 2. That delegated authority be granted to the Head of Finance, in consultation with the Head of Legal Services, to enter into a loan agreement detailing the arrangements between the Council and Celtic Leisure Limited.

Reason for Decisions:

To help finance modernisation works at Pontardawe Leisure Centre.

Implementation of Decisions:

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

8. MEMBERS' COMMUNITY FUND APPLICATION - PHASE 2 REDEVELOPMENT OF CWMGWRACH WELFARE PARK

Decision:

That approval be granted under the Members' Community fund, to provide financial support of £5,000, towards Phase 2 of the redevelopment of Cwmgwrach Welfare Park, Blaengwrach.

Reason for Decision:

To approve the Application for funding that has been received under the Members' Community Fund. The Members' Community Fund will continue to receive bids until the due deadline date of 31 March, 2020.

Implementation of Decisions:

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

9. <u>MEMBERS' COMMUNITY FUND APPLICATION - MARGAM</u> COMMUNITY CENTRE - DEFIBRILLATOR

Councillor R.G. Jones reaffirmed his interest and withdrew from the meeting, for this item only.

Decision:

That approval be granted under the Members' Community Fund, to provide financial support of £1,100, for the supply and installation of a defibrillator in Margam Community Centre, Bertha Road, Margam.

Reason for Decision:

To approve the Application for funding received under the Members' Community Fund. The Members' Community Fund will continue to receive bids until the due deadline date of 31 March, 2020.

Implementation of Decision:

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

10. MEMBERS' COMMUNITY FUND APPLICATION - PONTARDAWE HERITAGE AND VISITOR CENTRE

Decision:

That approval be granted under the Members' Community Fund, to provide financial support of £971, to establish a 'family-friendly' area in the courtyard of the Pontardawe Heritage and Visitor Centre.

Reason for Decision:

To approve the Application for funding received under the Members' Community Fund. The Members' Community Fund will continue to receive bids until the due deadline date of 31 March. 2020.

Implementation of Decision:

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

11. MEMBERS' COMMUNITY FUND APPLICATION - COMMUNITY TRANSPORT INITIATIVE SERVING THE WARDS OF GWAUN-CAEGURWEN AND LOWER BRYNAMMAN

Councillor A.N. Woolcock reaffirmed his interest and withdrew from the meeting for this item.

Decision:

That approval be granted under the Members' Community Fund, to provide financial support of £10,000, towards a community transport initiative serving the Wards of Gwaun-Cae-Gurwen and Lower Brynamman.

Reason for Decision:

To approve the Application for funding received under the Members' Community Fund. The Members' Community Fund will continue to receive bids until the due deadline date of 31 March, 2020.

Implementation of Decision:

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

CHAIRPERSON