

EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD

CABINET

16 JANUARY, 2019

Cabinet Members:

Councillors: R.G.Jones (Chairman), A.J.Taylor, C.Clement-Williams, E.V.Latham, A.R.Lockyer, P.A.Rees and P.D.Richards

Officers in Attendance:

S.Phillips, A.Evans, H.Jenkins, A.Jarrett, K.Jones, C.Griffiths, H.Jones and A.Manchipp

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

1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON**

Agreed that Councillor R.G.Jones be appointed Chairperson, for the meeting.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The following Members made declarations of interest at the commencement of the Meeting:-

Councillor E.V.Latham

Re: Minute No. 9 below as it refers to his Community Fund and as his interest was prejudicial he withdrew from the room during discuss and decision thereon.

Councillor A.R.Lockyer

Re: Minute No. 8 below as it refers to his Community Fund and as his

interest was prejudicial he withdrew from the room during discuss and decision thereon.

3. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

That the Minutes of the previous meetings of Cabinet held on the following dates, be noted:-

24 October, 2018, 31 October, 2018, 21 November, 2018 and 7 November, 2018.

4. **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME 2018**

Noted by Committee.

5. **JOINT CORONER SERVICE**

Decisions:

1. That the decision by the City and County of Swansea to increase the annual salary of the Acting Senior Coroner from £91,420 to £127,000 (in line with JNC Guidance), be endorsed;
2. That the additional sum of £26,059 (which comprises the pay award, back pay and pension contributions and which represents our 34.5% split of the cost) in this financial year (2018/2019) to be paid to the City and County of Swansea in respect of backdating costs of the revised salary to November 2017, be approved;
3. That the additional financial increase that will be made to the amalgamated Coroner's Service in line with the current contribution rate of 34.5% contribution rate as a result of the change in salary from April 2019 onwards, be noted.

Reason for Decisions:

To seek approval from Members to increase the financial contributions made to the Joint Coroner Service between Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council and the City and County of Swansea as a result of the adoption of the JNC Framework for Coroners pay.

Implementation of Decisions:

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

Consultation:

There is no requirement for external consultation on this matter though ongoing dialogue has taken place between this Authority and the City and County of Swansea to discuss this matter and to agree a suitable figure.

6. **WAO COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE**

Decision:

That the Wales Audit Office : Audit of Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council's assessment of 2017-18 performance, attached at Appendix 1 to the circulated report, be noted.

7. **PROJECT PROPOSAL - MEMBERS COMMUNITY FUND, DYFFRYN**

Decision:

That the project proposal for the Greening Initiative, as detailed in the circulated report, be approved, and £10,000 financial support, from Councillor Martyn Peter's allowance under the Members' Community Fund, be awarded.

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 Decision:

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

8. **PROJECT PROPOSAL - MEMBERS COMMUNITY FUND, NEATH NORTH**
(Councillor A.R.Lockyer confirmed his prejudicial interest in this item and withdrew from the room for the remainder of the meeting).

Decision:

That the project proposal for the Development of an accessible male washroom and changing facilities at the Neath YMCA, as detailed within the circulated report, be approved, and that £3,245 financial support from Councillor Alan Lockyer's allowance under the Members' Community Fund, and £3,245 financial support from Councillor Mark Protheroe's allowance under the Members' Community Fund, be awarded.

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 Decision:

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

9. **PROJECT PROPOSAL - MEMBERS COMMUNITY FUND, SANDFIELDS EAST**
(Councillor E.V.Latham confirmed his prejudicial interest in this item and withdrew from the room for the remainder of the meeting).

Decision:

That the project proposal for improvements to the provision of play equipment currently on offer at Vivian Park Play Area, Sandfields East, be approved and Councillor Sean Pursey's allocation of £10,000, Councillor Mathew Crowley's allocation of £3,195 and Councillor Edward Latham's allocation of £3,195, under the Members' Community Fund, be awarded.

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 Decision:

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

CHAIRPERSON