

EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD

CABINET

6 MARCH, 2019

Cabinet Members:

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

Officers in Attendance:

S.Phillips, H.Jenkins, A.Evans, A.Jarrett, D.Griffiths, M.Shaw, P. Jackson, N.Chapple, C.Davies and T.Davies

Invitees:

Councillors: A.N.Woolcock (Scrutiny Chair), S.Rahaman (Scrutiny Vice Chair) and L.C.Jones

Prior to the start of the meeting, Members held a minute's silence, as a mark of respect to Councillor Des Davies, who had recently passed away.

1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON**

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

2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

The following Member made a declaration of interest at the commencement of the meeting:-

Councillor P.A.Rees

Re: Min No. 6 Report of the Head of Transformation, Members' Community Fund – Neath South, as it

refers to his Community Fund. As his interest was prejudicial he withdrew from the room during discussion and voting thereon.

3. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Decision:

That the Minutes of the previous meeting of Cabinet, held on 20 February, 2019, be approved.

4. **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME 2018/19**

Noted by Committee.

5. **MEMBERS' COMMUNITY FUND - NEATH EAST**

Decision:

That the complete redevelopment of Evans Road Play Area, Evans Road, in the Melin, as detailed in the circulated report, be approved and Councillor Sheila Penry's allocation of £10,000, Councillor Sandra Miller's allocation of £10,000 and Councillor John Miller's allocation of £10,000 under the Members' Community Fund, be awarded.

Reason for Decision:

To approve the Application for funding received under the Members' Community Fund.

Implementation of Decision:

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

6. **MEMBERS' COMMUNITY FUND - NEATH SOUTH**

(At this point Councillor P.A.Rees withdrew from the meeting and took no part in the discussion and voting thereon.)

Decision:

That the provision of improved amenities within the Mount Pleasant Bowling Green Pavilion, Hillside, Cimla, be approved and Councillor Peter Rees' allocation of £2,393.35, under the Members' Community Fund, be awarded.

Reason for Decision:

To approve the Application for funding received under the Members' Community Fund.

Implementation of Decision:

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

After the decision was made, Councillor P.A.Rees re-joined the meeting.

7. **MEMBERS' COMMUNITY FUND - PONTARDAWE**

Decision:

That the procurement of an A3 flatbed scanner for the Swansea Valley History Society, The Cross Community Centre, High Street, Pontardawe, be approved and Councillor Purcell's allocation of £1,365.00 under the Members' Community Fund, be awarded.

Reason for Decision:

To approve the Application for funding received under the Members' Community Fund.

Implementation of Decision:

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

8. **MEMBERS' COMMUNITY FUND - TONNA**

Decision:

That the procurement of a piano for the Tonna Male Voice Choir, based at Tonna Primary School Community Hall, Tonna, be approved and

Councillor Leanne Jones' allocation of £3,900.00 under the Members' Community Fund, be awarded.

Reason for Decision:

To approve the Application for funding received under the Members' Community Fund.

Implementation of Decision:

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

9. **MEMBERS' COMMUNITY FUND - TREBANOS**

Decision:

That the provision of first floor toileting/baby change facilities to the Trebanos Rugby Football Club Community Changing Room Pavilion, Swansea Road, Trebanos, be approved and Councillor Rebeca Phillips' allocation of £2,850, under the Members' Community Fund, be awarded.

Reason for Decision:

To approve the Application for funding received under the Members' Community Fund.

Implementation of Decision:

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

10. **WESTERN BAY YOUTH OFFENDING AND EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICE**

Decision:

That a Neath Port Talbot Youth Justice and Early Intervention Team be set up by the end of March 2019, and authority be granted to the Director of Social Services Health and Housing to take the necessary steps to enable this to happen.

Reason for Decision:

To ensure the Authority has a responsive and fit for purpose Youth Offending Service.

Implementation of Decision:

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

11. **CONSULTATION RESPONSE TO WELSH GOVERNMENT - IMPROVING PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

Following recommendations from the earlier Scrutiny Committee, Cabinet Members requested the following amendments be made, as shown in **bold** at decision No. 1 below:-

Decisions:

1. That the responses to questions 1-21, as set out in the circulated report, be submitted to the Welsh Government, **subject to the response to question 16 being amended to 'Yes. However...'** and the response to question 17 being amended to **'Yes. This is...'**.
2. That the responses previously endorsed by the Registration and Licensing Committee to questions 22-38, as set out at Appendix 1 to the circulated report, be noted.

Reason for Decisions:

To inform Welsh Government Policy Development, with a view to improving public transport across Wales and within Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decisions are for immediate implementation. The Chair of the Scrutiny Committee had agreed to this course of action, there would therefore be no call in of these decisions.

12. **ACCESS TO MEETINGS**

RESOLVED: 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 of the Local Government Act 1972.

13. **MATERIAL RECOVERY AND ENERGY CENTRE (MREC) - IN HOUSE SERVICES**

Decisions:

1. That the acquisition of NPT Recycling Limited assets for £750,000, be approved, and that this amount be built into the Council's 2019/20 Capital Programme;
2. That the Heads of Terms setting out the proposed arrangements concerning the liquidation of NPT Recycling Ltd, and the indemnities and warranties as set out at Appendix 1 to the private, circulated report, be approved;
3. That the Chief Executive in consultation with the Leader of Council, be given delegated authority to finalise the legal agreement and any associated documentation (including but not limited to indemnities and warranties) to enable the transfer of the waste service from NPT Recycling Ltd to the Council;
4. That following registration of the environmental permit in the Council the Company Directors of NPT Recycling Ltd and NPT Waste Management Ltd arrange to appoint a Liquidator and to move each company into voluntary liquidation;
5. That the Council's Shareholder Representatives be authorised to make the appropriate directions to NPT Waste Management Ltd to move into Voluntary Liquidation and for NPT Waste Management to also instruct the same to NPT Recycling Ltd;
6. That the Chief Executive in consultation with the Leader of Council, be given delegated authority to finalise the legal agreements and any associated documentation (including but not limited to

indemnities and warranties) in relation to the liquidation of each company;

7. That a further report be prepared to decide the final operation of the MREC waste facility services following the end of the period of consultation with NPT Recycling Ltd.'s employees.

Reason for Decisions:

To enable progress on the transfer of waste services from NPT Recycling Ltd, to the Council in line with legalisation and the Cabinet decision of 25 July, 2018.

Implementation of Decisions:

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

CHAIRPERSON