# 20 FEBRUARY, 2019

### **CABINET**

## **Cabinet Members:**

Councillors: A.J.Taylor (Chairperson), 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, G.Nutt, A.Jarrett, K.Jones, C.Griffiths, C.Davies and T.Davies

**Invitees:** Councillor A.N.Woolcock (Chair of Scrutiny Committee)

## 1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON

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

## 2. MEMBERS' DECLARATION

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

Councillor D.Jones Minute No. 8 Report of the Head of

Transformation, Members'

Community Fund – Aberdulais, as it refers to her Community Fund. As her interest was prejudicial she withdrew from the room during discussion and

voting thereon.

## 3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

That the Minutes of the previous meeting of Cabinet, held on 23 January, 2019, be approved.

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

Noted by Committee.

## 5. QUARTER 3 PERFORMANCE MONITORING

Cabinet Members discussed the report, specifically the automated message which currently played on the main contact number for the Authority. Some complaints had been received from local residents who felt the pause following the Welsh introduction (before the English introduction) lasted too long, leading them to hang up unnecessarily. Officers thanked Members for the useful feedback and would look into the issue going forward.

Officers explained that the targets for next year's Performance Monitoring Indicators would be re-evaluated.

## **Decision:**

That the monitoring report be noted.

# 6. RISK REGISTER REVIEW 2018-19 AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2018

Members discussed preparations for Brexit and noted that a report would shortly be presented to Cabinet, as well as an All Member Seminar.

#### **Decision:**

That the Risks set out in Appendix 1 to the circulated report be acknowledged.

# **Reason for Decision:**

To comply with the Council's risk management monitoring arrangements.

## **Implementation of Decision:**

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

## 7. ADDITIONAL VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

## **Decisions:**

- 1. That AVCWise be commissioned to provide a fully managed AVC service, including face to face training;
- 2. That the requirements of competition be excluded and Rule 2.2 of the Council's Contracts Procedure Rules be suspended;
- 3. That a direct award be made to the Service Provider and a contract be entered into with the Service Provider for the provision of the Services for a period of three years from 1 April 2019.

#### **Reason for Decisions:**

To ensure that staff receive support when they are making retirement planning decisions, whilst complying with contract procedure requirements.

# **Implementation of Decisions:**

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

At this point, Councillor D.Jones withdrew from the meeting and took no part in the discussion and voting thereon.

# 8. MEMBER'S COMMUNITY FUND - ABERDULAIS

# **Decision:**

That the creation of a No Waiting at Any Time Traffic Regulation Order on the junction of Ger-Yr-Afon with Cefn-Yr-Allt and Forest Hill, Aberdulais, including advertising for its enforcement, design work and the marking of clipped double yellow lines, be approved (subject to approval at Streetscene and Engineering Cabinet Board), and that Councillor Doreen Jones's allocation of £2,000.00 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 implemented after the three day call in period.

Councillor D.Jones re-joined the meeting.

## 9. MEMBER'S COMMUNITY FUND - BRYN AND CWMAVON

#### **Decision:**

That the provision of 21,440 square metres of positive drainage in Parc Seincyn Powell, Cwmavon be approved and Councillor Rhidian Mizen's allocation of £1,812.75 and Councillor David Whitelock's allocation of £1,812.75, 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 implemented after the three day call in period.

# 10. MEMBER'S COMMUNITY FUND APPLICATION - PONTARDAWE

## **Decision:**

That the provision of 30 x 1.1 metre x 2.3 metre barriers (with associated anti trip feet) at Pontardawe Arts Centre, Pontardawe be approved, and Councillor Linet Purcell's allocation of £1,095.50 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 implemented after the three day call in period.

## **CHAIRPERSON**

