

EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD

CABINET

16 MARCH 2021

Cabinet Members:

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

Officers in Attendance:

K.Jones, A.Evans, A.Jarrett, N.Pearce, C.Griffiths, C.Furlow-Harris,
C.Plowman and J.Woodman-Ralph

Invitees:

Councillor M.Harvey (Scrutiny Chairperson)

1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON**

Agreed that Councillor E.V.Latham be appointed Chairperson for the meeting.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were received.

3. **COMMENTS, COMPLIMENTS AND COMPLAINTS POLICY 2024**

Members noted that the Comments, Compliments and Complaints Policy should have read 2021 and not as stated in the circulated report 2024.

Decision:

Having given due regard to the first stage Integrated Impact Assessment, the revised Comments, Compliments and Complaints Policy as detailed in Appendix 1 to the circulated report be approved.

Reason for Decision:

To ensure the Council has a consistent approach for the handling of comments, compliments and complaints and to ensure the Council's practices and procedures for handling complaints is in accordance with the PSOW's Model Complaint Handling Process and Guidance issued by the Ombudsman for Wales under Section 38 of the Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Act 2019.

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be implemented after the 3 day call in period.

4. **URGENT ITEMS**

Because of the need to deal now with the matter contained in Minute No 5 below, the Chairperson agreed this could be raised at today's meeting as an urgent item pursuant to Section 100B (4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

Reason:

Due to time element.

5. **EXTENSION OF GRANT SUPPORT TO BUSINESS AFFECTED BY ADDITIONAL TRADING RESTRICTIONS IN MARCH 2021.**

Members noted that there was no requirement to undertake an Integrated Impact Assessment as detailed in the circulated report.

Decision:

That approval be granted for the making of grants to eligible Businesses for 2020/2021 as detailed in the circulated report and in line with the guidance received from Welsh Government.

Reason for Decision:

To enable the Council to make payments to eligible businesses in line with the Welsh Government Scheme

Implementation of Decision:

The decision will be for immediate implementation.

6. **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 items 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.

7. **THE CENTRE OF RAIL EXCELLENCE IN WALES (EXEMPT UNDER PARAGRAPH 14)**

Decisions:

Having due regard to the Integrated Impact Screening Assessment:

1. The work undertaken to date by Welsh Government, Powys County Council and Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council in the development of the Global Centre of Rail Excellence be noted;
2. That the loan agreement between Welsh Government and Powys County Council to facilitate the development of the Global Centre of Rail Excellence be noted;
3. That the Chief Executive and Director of Environment and Regeneration continue dialogue with Welsh Government and Powys County Council on a revised Joint Venture Agreement for Phase 2 of the project with a report being brought back to Members in due course for approval to proceed.

Reason for Decisions:

To seek approval from Members to continue dialogue with Welsh Government and Powys County Council for a revised joint venture agreement with a report being brought back to Members in 2021 for approval to proceed with such a joint venture.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decisions will be for immediate implementation.

CHAIRPERSON