

**EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD**

**3 DECEMBER 2021**

**REGENERATION AND SUSTAINABLE  
DEVELOPMENT CABINET BOARD**

**Cabinet Members:**

Councillors: A.Wingrave (Chairperson) and L.C.Jones

**Officers in Attendance:**

S.Brennan, H.Jones, C. Morris, N.Chapple, L. Beynon, C.Plowman and J.Woodman-Ralph

**Invitees:**

Councillors: S.K.Hunt (Scrutiny Chairperson)  
R.L.Taylor (Scrutiny Vice Chairperson)

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1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON**

Agreed that Councillor A. Wingrave be appointed Chairperson for the meeting.

2. **WELCOME AND ROLL CALL**

Councillor A. Wingrave welcomed all to the meeting and a roll call completed.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No Declarations of Interest were received.

4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

That the minutes of the meeting held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021 be approved.

5. **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME 2021/22**

That the Forward Work Programme be noted.

6. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1976  
- ADOPTION OF TAXI STANDS**

**Decision:**

That the process to adopt hackney carriage stands be commenced in accordance with Section 63(1) Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976.

**Reason for Decision:**

To enable the Council's Legal Regulatory Services Manager to carry out the necessary consultation and advertising prior to a further report being presented to Cabinet.

**Implementation of Decision:**

That the decision will be implemented after the three day call in period which ends 9am, Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

**Consultation:**

Consultation will be undertaken in accordance with statutory requirements.

7. **ANIMAL WELFARE (LICENSING OF ACTIVITIES INVOLVING ANIMALS) (WALES) REGULATIONS 2021**

**Decisions:**

1. That the following powers contained in the Animal Welfare (Licensing of Activities involving Animals) (Wales) Regulations be

delegated to the Head of Legal and Democratic Services and the Legal Regulatory Manager.

Power to grant a licence  
Power to refuse a licence  
Power to renew a licence  
Power to vary a licence  
Power to vary a licence with immediate effect  
Power to impose conditions  
Power to suspend a licence  
Power to suspend a licence with immediate effect  
Power to reinstate a suspended licence  
Power to revoke a licence.

2. That the Head of Legal and Democratic Services update the Neath Port Talbot Council Constitution accordingly.

**Reason for Decisions:**

To enable the Council to deal efficiently with applications and animal welfare issues under the Animal Welfare (Licensing of Activities Involving Animals) (Wales) Regulations 2021.

**Implementation of Decisions:**

The decision is for immediate implementation. There is **no** three day call in on this item.

8. **ACTIVE TRAVEL (WALES) ACT 2013 - REVIEW OF THE NPT ACTIVE TRAVEL**

It was highlighted at the meeting that information had been omitted from Appendix 3 of the circulated report. An updated version was circulated at the meeting and appended to the minutes for information.

**Decisions:**

Having regard to the report and the first stage Integrated Impact Assessment as detailed in Appendix 1 to the circulated report:

1. That the responses to the representations received on the revised Active Travel Network Maps as summarised in the circulated report and presented in Appendix 2 be approved.

2. That the revised Active Travel Network Maps as presented electronically to Members prior to the meeting be approved.
3. That the draft classification and prioritisation of the Active Travel routes as detailed in Appendix 3 and the publication/ consultation procedures as detailed in the circulated report be approved.
4. That delegated authority be granted to the Head of Planning and Public Protection in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Sustainable Development to decide on the classification and prioritisation of the Active Travel routes, post consultation.

**Reason for Decisions:**

To ensure that the Council is complying with the requirements of the Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013.

**Implementation of Decisions:**

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period which ends at 9am, Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

**Consultation:**

The revised Active Travel Network Network Map (ATNM) has undergone two rounds of consultation. The circulated report outlines the results of the second public consultation on the ATNM (Stage 2 July 2021 to October 2021) and proposes an additional consultation on the revised classification and prioritisation of the ATNM routes.

9. **KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS 2021 2022 – QUARTER 2**

Members were referred to supplementary information which was omitted from the circulated report. This was circulated to Members prior to the meeting.

**Decision FOR NOTING:**

That the Key Performance Indicators 2021 -2022 – Quarter 2 be noted.

10. **NEATH PORT TALBOT REPLACEMENT LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (RLDP) 2021-2036**

**Decisions:**

Having due regard to the Integrated Impact Assessment the following be commended to Council for approval:

1. The Replacement Local Development Plan Delivery Agreement as detailed in Appendix 2 of the circulated report and formally submitted to Welsh Government for approval.
2. The Integrated Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report as detailed in Appendix 4 of the circulated report.
3. The establishment and Heads of Terms of a Member Working Group as detailed in Appendix 5 of the circulated report.

**Reason for Decisions:**

To enable the Council to comply with Section 63 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004; The Town and Country Planning (Local Development Plan) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulation 2015; the Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act (2015); the Equality Act (2010); the Welsh Language Standards (No. 1) Regulations 2015; Planning Policy Wales 11 (2021) and the Development Plans Manual Edition 3 (2020).

**Implementation of Decisions:**

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period which ends at 9am, Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

**Consultation:**

The draft DA and ISA Scoping Report were subject to a 6 week public consultation, together with targeted consultations with a range of specific and general stakeholder bodies and statutory consultees. The formal consultation period commenced the 16<sup>th</sup> August to the 27<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

11. **TRANSFORMING TOWNS PLACE MAKING GRANT**

**Decision FOR NOTING**

That the eligible activities and proposed settlement areas for delivery of the grant be noted.

12. **CONTRACT EXTENSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 7.2 OF THE CONTRACT PROCEDURE RULES**

**Decision FOR NOTING**

That the report be noted.

13. **URGENT ITEM**

Because of the need to deal now with the matters contained in Minutes No. 14 below, the Chairperson agreed that these could be raised at today's meeting as urgent items pursuant to Statutory Instrument 2001 No.2290 (as amended).

Reason: Due to the time element.

14. **DELEGATED POWERS FOR BUSINESS GRANT SUPPORT**

**Decision:**

That the Head of Property and Regeneration's delegated powers for approving Business Grants be increased from £25,000 to £50,000 as detailed in the circulated report.

**Reason for Decision:**

To enable the Economic Development Team to utilise the increased delegated powers of the Head of Property & Regeneration in administering this funding.

**Implementation of Decision:**

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period which ends at 9am, Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

15. **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 to the Local Government Act 1972.

16. **RHONDDA TUNNEL (EXEMPT UNDER PARAGRAPH 14)**

Members were supportive of the amendment to recommendation B, contained within the circulated report, proposed by the Regeneration and Sustainable Development Scrutiny Committee held prior to this meeting as detailed below.

**Decision:**

Approval be granted, for the time being, the Council retains its current position, in so much as we will support the project in principle, providing advice where necessary to any third parties involved in the project, but will not take on any formal responsibility for future fund raising in respect of potential match-funding commitments. Neither will we assume any ownership of the tunnel, shared or otherwise, or accept any responsibility for future management of the tunnel, including any subsidy requirements. This position will be kept under review, and may be amended in the future, should the project progress towards delivery to the satisfaction of the Council and bring benefit to Neath Port Talbot County Borough with future reports being brought back to Members as appropriate.

**Reason for Decision:**

In order for the Council to have a confirmed position in respect of its association with the Rhondda Tunnel Project going forward.

**Implementation of Decision:**

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period which ends at 9am, Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

17. **PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY (EXEMPT UNDER PARAGRAPH 14)**

**Decision:**

Having due regard to the first stage Integrated Impact Assessment:

The Head of Property and Regeneration be granted delegated authority to proceed with the disposal of the property to the appropriate tender bid and to pay Tai Tarian the agreed sum out of the proceeds of the sale as detailed in the private circulated report.

**Reason for Decision:**

To enable the disposal of a surplus property and attain a capital receipt.

**Implementation of Decision:**

The decision will be implemented after the 3 day call in period which ends at 9am, Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

**CHAIRPERSON**