

EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD

22 JULY 2022

**ENVIRONMENT, REGENERATION AND STREETSCENE SERVICES
CABINET BOARD**

Cabinet Members:

Councillors: W.F.Griffiths, S.Jones (Chairperson) and D.M.Peters

Officers in Attendance:

D.Griffiths, M.Roberts, A.Collins, J.Griffiths, C.May and C.Plowman

1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON**

Agreed that Councillor S.Jones be appointed as Chairperson for the meeting.

2. **CHAIRPERSONS ANNOUNCEMENT/S**

The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No Declarations of Interests were received.

4. **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME 2022/2023**

That the Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services Cabinet Board Forward Work Programme be noted.

5. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

No questions were received.

6. **COMMERCIAL PROPERTY GRANT: WATER STREET BUSINESS CENTRE, PORT TALBOT**

Decisions:

That having given due regard to the Integrated Impact Assessment and a description of the works contained within the circulated report, the grant of £ 47,977.53 for Water Street Business Centre, Port Talbot, be approved.

Reason for Decisions:

To implement the provisions of the Commercial Property Grant scheme in accordance with the criteria and terms of administration of the grant, in order to contribute to the regeneration of Aberavon and the wider area of Port Talbot.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended at 9am, Tuesday 26 July 2022. No calls in were received.

7. **COMMERCIAL PROPERTY GRANT: UNITS 1 AND 2 COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS, TALBOT ROAD, PORT TALBOT**

Decision:

That the report be deferred to a future meeting of the Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services Cabinet Board for decision.

Reason:

To allow Officers to clarify issues raised by the Scrutiny Committee held previous to this meeting in regard to the commencement of works.

8. **COMMERCIAL PROPERTY GRANT: 20 QUEEN STREET, NEATH**

Decisions:

That having given due regard to the Integrated Impact Assessment and a description of the works contained within the circulated report, the grant of £47,966.08 for 20 Queen Street, Neath, be approved.

Reason for Decisions:

To implement the provisions of the Commercial Property Grant scheme in accordance with the criteria and terms of administration of the grant, in order to contribute to the regeneration of Neath Town Centre.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended at 9am, Tuesday 26 July 2022. No calls in were received.

9. **INCORPORATION OF COUNCIL LAND INTO THE HIGHWAY**

Decisions:

That having given due regard to the Integrated Impact Assessment, the road and footway, shown hatched on the Plan contained within the circulated report, become highway maintainable at public expense.

Reason for Decisions:

To enable the road and footway to become highway maintainable at public expense.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended at 9am, Tuesday 26 July 2022. No calls in were received.

10. **NEATH PORT TALBOT CBC HIGHWAY TECHNICAL DESIGN GUIDE FOR RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENTS**

Members were supportive of the additions to the recommendation, put forward by the Scrutiny Committee, held previous to this meeting (as detailed below).

Decisions:

That having given due regard to the Integrated Impact Assessment screening, Members approve the New Highway Design Guide for implementation subject to an appropriate disclaimer being placed on the Council's website highlighting that some legal and policy provisions may not be up to date and drawing attention to compliance with Llwybr

Newydd, PPW11 and specific reference to the Active Travel Design Guidance 2021 (confirming this Council's commitment to Active Travel and sustainable transport). In addition, future amendments to the document to be brought back to Scrutiny for review prior to submission to Welsh Government by County Surveyor Society (CSS) or following updated versions from Welsh Government.

Reason for Decisions:

To ensure that the Council has in place an up to date Highway Design Guide that is consistent with other Welsh Local Authorities; and does not restrict creativity and innovation in highway design, whilst encouraging newly created highway infrastructure to be adopted by the Local Highway Authority.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended at 9am, Tuesday 26 July 2022. No calls in were received.

11. **BEVANS TERRACE RETAINING WALL RECONSTRUCTION**

Decisions:

1. That having given due regard to the Integrated Impact Assessment, Members note the condition of Bevan Terrace Retaining Wall
2. That the reconstruction works of the structure, as budgeted for in the Councils Capital Programme, be approved

Reason for Decisions:

To manage the risks and liabilities associated with Bevans Terrace Retaining Wall.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended at 9am, Tuesday 26 July 2022. No calls in were received.

12. **NORTON TERRACE RETAINING WALL RECONSTRUCTION**

Decisions:

1. That having given due regard to the Integrated Impact Assessment, Members note the condition of Norton Terrace Retaining Wall
2. That the reconstruction works of the structure, as budgeted for in the Councils Capital Programme, be approved

Reason for Decisions:

To manage the risks and liabilities associated with Norton Terrace Retaining Wall.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended at 9am, Tuesday 26 July 2022. No calls in were received.

13. **URGENT ITEMS**

None were received.

14. **ACCESS TO MEETINGS - EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

Decision:

That the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as set out in Paragraph 14 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007 subject to the Public Interest Test (where appropriate) being applied.

15. **PROPOSED RELEASE OF A RESTRICTIVE COVENANT AND DISPOSAL OF ADJOINING LAND (EXEMPT UNDER PARAGRAPH 14)**

Decisions:

That having given due regard to the Integrated Impact Assessment, the terms and conditions for the release of the Councils interest in the restrictive covenant and disposal of the adjoining land, be approved.

Reason for Decisions:

To obtain a capital receipt for the release of the Councils interest in the restrictive covenant and sale of surplus land.

Implementation of Decisions:

The decision will be implemented after the three day call in period, which ended at 9am, Tuesday 26 July 2022. No calls in were received.

CHAIRPERSON