

EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD

27 SEPTEMBER 2022

EDUCATION, SKILLS & WELLBEING CABINET BOARD

Cabinet Members:

Councillors: J.Hurley (Chairperson) and N.Jenkins

Officers in Attendance:

R.Crowhurst, I.Guy, A.Harris, H.Lervy, P.Walker and K.Windsor-Brown and N. Jones.

1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON**

It was agreed that Cllr J. Hurley be appointed Chairperson for this meeting.

2. **CHAIRPERSONS ANNOUNCEMENT/S**

Cllr Hurley welcomed all to the meeting.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were received.

4. **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME 2022/23**

That the Education, Skills and Wellbeing Cabinet Board Forward Work Programme be noted.

5. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

No questions were received.

6. **DISPOSAL OF LAND AT NEATH LEISURE CENTRE**

Decision:

- a) That having given due regard to the first stage Integrated Impact Assessment, That the land and premises at Neath Leisure Centre at Dyfed Road, Neath be declared surplus to the ongoing strategic Leisure Services requirements of Education, Leisure and Lifelong Learning Service.
- b) That upon vacancy Neath Leisure Centre's future management, ongoing responsibility for the future management and disposal be transferred to the Head of Property and Regeneration.
- c) That Head of Participation and the Head of Property and Regeneration be granted delegated authority to accept a surrender of the existing lease of the facility from the existing tenant.
- d) That the Head of Property and Regeneration in conjunction with the Head of Legal Services be granted delegated authority to serve a termination notice on and ensure vacant possession is obtained by the existing sub tenant of part of the facility.
- e) That Delegated Authority be granted to the Head of Property and Regeneration in conjunction with the Head of Legal Services to enter into a short term lease for Celtic Leisure to operate the new Neath Leisure Centre from its opening until 31st March 2023 date of the transfer of indoor leisure services into the Council. (or, if the 31st March 2023 date is not met, the date when leisure services are brought back in house).

Reason for Decision:

Neath Leisure Centre at Dyfed Road Neath will become non-operational when the facility closes and staff and users relocate to the new Town Centre Leisure Centre during Autumn 2022 and therefore the Dyfed Road facility will then be surplus to the ongoing strategic and operational leisure needs of the Education, Leisure and Lifelong Learning Directorate. Arranging for Celtic Leisure to operate the new Leisure Centre until the time that the Council takes over the running of its leisure services will ensure the operation of the new facilities from its opening and the ongoing provision of leisure facilities in Neath.

Implementation of Decision:

With the agreement of the Education, Skills and Wellbeing Scrutiny Chairperson the decision will be for immediate implementation and not subject to the three day call in period.

Consultation:

There is no requirement for additional external consultation.

7. **WELSH IN EDUCATION STRATEGIC PLAN**

Decision:

That having given due regard to the Integrated Impact Assessment approval be granted to commend the Welsh in Education Strategic Plan to Council for permission to publish and progress implementation.

Reason for Decision:

To comply with the WESP (Wales) Regulations 2019.

Implementation of Decision:

With the agreement of the Education, Skills and Wellbeing Scrutiny Chairperson the decision will be for immediate implementation and not subject to the three day call in period. The decision is for immediate implementation.

Consultation:

The item was subject to a comprehensive public consultation including a wide range of stakeholders for a nine week period.

8. **PLAY SUFFICIENCY ASSESSMENT**

Decision:

That having given due regard to the Integrated Impact Assessment. The Play Sufficiency Assessment action plan which outlines the priorities for the delivery and development of play in Neath Port Talbot be approved.

Reason for Decision:

To enable the Council to undertake a Statutory action plan which is to be developed from the Play Sufficiency Assessment 2022 to ensure maximised available resources for play to improve the quality of the provisions offered across the county.

Implementation of Decision:

With the agreement of the Education, Skills and Wellbeing Scrutiny Chairperson the decision will be for immediate implementation and not subject to the three day call in period. The decision is for immediate implementation.

Consultation:

There is no requirement for external consultation.

9. **URGENT ITEMS**

No urgent items were received.

CHAIRPERSON