

**CABINET**

Minutes of a remote meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2020

The Committee agenda is available [here](#)

Present: Councillor N. Moore (Chairman); Councillor L. Burnett (Vice-Chairman); Councillors B.T. Gray, P.G. King, K.F. McCaffer, Mrs. M.R. Wilkinson and E. Williams.

**C338 MINUTES –**

RESOLVED – T H A T the minutes of the meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> September, 2020 be approved as a correct record of the meeting.

**C339 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –**

<b>Name of Councillor</b>	<b>Nature of Interest</b>
Councillor L. Burnett	The interest related to Agenda Item 5 - Local Authority Governor Appointment Panel – 24th September, 2020. Councillor Burnett had dispensation to speak and vote as an appointed Local Authority Governor at St. Cyres Comprehensive School and also as family members attend Ysgol St. Baruc.
Councillor K.F. McCaffer	The interest related to Agenda Item 5 - Local Authority Governor Appointment Panel – 24th September, 2020. Councillor McCaffer had dispensation to speak and vote from the Standards Committee as family members attend Stanwell School.
Councillor M.R. Wilkinson	The interest related to Agenda Item 5 - Local Authority Governor Appointment Panel – 24th September, 2020. Councillor Wilkinson had dispensation to speak and vote as an appointed Governor at Colcot Primary School as well as having family members at Cadoxton and Wenvoe Primary Schools.
Councillor B.T. Gray	The interest related to Agenda Item 5 - Local Authority Governor Appointment Panel – 24th September, 2020. Councillor Gray had dispensation to speak and vote as an appointed Local Education Authority Governor at Evenlode Primary and St Cyres Schools.
Councillor E. Williams	The interest related to Agenda Item 5 - Local Authority Governor Appointment Panel – 24th September, 2020. Councillor Williams had dispensation to speak and vote as an appointed Local Education Authority Governor at Llantwit Comprehensive School.

Councillor N. Moore                      The interest related to Agenda Item 5 - Local Authority Governor Appointment Panel – 24th September, 2020. Councillor Moore had a grandchild at All Saints Church in Wales Primary school and had dispensation to speak and vote from the Standards Committee.

### **C340                      CARDIFF BAY ADVISORY COMMITTEE: 3<sup>RD</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2020 –**

The minutes of the Cardiff Bay Advisory Committee meeting held on 3rd September 2020 were submitted:

Present: Mr. C. Atherton (Waterfront Partners), Mrs. K. Bowen (Principal Democratic and Scrutiny Services Officer), Councillor L. Burnett (Vale of Glamorgan Council), Mrs. N. De Longhi (Natural Resources Wales), Mr. C. Michael (RSPB), Councillor N. Humphrey (Penarth Town Council), Mr. C. Pain (Cardiff Bay Yacht Club), Mr. A. Parker (Member in a personal capacity), Mr. K. Rogers (Wildlife Trust of South and West Wales), Mr. P. Stone (Canoe Wales), and Mr M. Thomas (Democratic and Scrutiny Services Officer).

Also present: Mr. A. Ernest (Penarth Tourism and Visitor Association), Mr A. Michael (Penarth Headland Link Charity), Mr. A. Vye-Parminster (Cardiff Harbour Authority), and Ms. N. Taylor (Cardiff Harbour Authority).

(a)     Apologies for Absence –

These were received from Mrs. C. Dimond (Cardiff Flood Action Committee), Mr. R. Freemantle, Mr S. Jones (Quay Marinas Ltd), Captain R. Lewis (Harbour Master), Mr. J. Maidment (Cardiff Harbour Authority), Councillor M. Michael (Cardiff Council), Councillor C. Wild (Cardiff Council), and Councillor M.R. Wilson (Vale of Glamorgan Council).

(b)     Appointment of Chairman –

Mr. A. Parker was appointed Chairman for the current municipal year.

(c)     Appointment of Vice-Chairman –

Mrs. C. Dimond was appointed Vice-Chairman for the current municipal year.

(d)     Minutes of the Meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2020 –

AGREED – T H A T the minutes of the meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2020 be approved as a correct record.

(e)     Timetable of Meetings –

The report proposed future meetings for the Committee, it being noted that in 2018 the Committee had agreed that for two out of the four meetings, agendas and reports would be forwarded to all Members of the Committee via e-mail with

comments on the documents being collated and disseminated by the Clerk. However, the report added that due to the current situation with Covid-19, they would be holding remote or virtual meetings going forward and Members were asked to consider if instead of alternate meetings being held via email, that all meetings be held remotely using the relevant application/software. Members were further requested to consider the timetable and make any amendments as required.

It was subsequently

AGREED –

- (1) T H A T all meetings would be held remotely using the relevant application/software.
- (2) T H A T the timetable of meetings for 2020/2021 be approved.
- (f) Navigational Safety and Progress Report – Cardiff Harbour Authority (CHA)

Mr. Vye-Parminter representing Cardiff Harbour Authority (CHA) provided an update on recent events starting with navigational safety:

He advised that at Pont-y-Werin a timetabled lift trial had started on 24<sup>th</sup> August 2020. The rationale behind this was greater efficiency and helped mariners to plan more effectively for locking out of Cardiff Bay Barrage. The timetable would be on a request basis. Lifts would be at five past the hour and twenty-five to the hour.

The obsolete outer arm traffic lights system had now been updated to an energy efficient LED system and used the 'red, white and green' phasing of lights.

With regard to the water bus Castle stop, significant damage had been caused by Storm Denis. The stop had now been replaced but was currently prohibited due to the substantial shoaling of the river following the storms at the start of the year and the high volumes of water involved. The Council, through the Highways Department, were currently working on the tender process for de shoaling works. David Hall would be liaising with Natural Resources Wales in order to get the necessary permissions for this work to be undertaken prior to Christmas.

An Attendee referred to the issues which occurred prior to construction of the Cardiff Barrier, such as the flooding in 1979 in the Riverside area of Cardiff and elsewhere, in part due to the lack of dredging. The attendee noted that even with the barrier in place, water draining down from Valley areas could also impact levels. In addition, he asked if there would be any problems in the short term due to the shoaling. Mr. Vye-Parminter replied that there would no issues in the short term and the increased dredging would allow sufficient water levels for navigation in the area. He added that water levels had returned to normal. The Chairman advised that with the barrage in place, low lying areas of Cardiff were protected to a greater degree than without it. Mrs. De Longhi (representing Natural Resources Wales) also stated that the flood plains located within Cardiff helped to mitigate the risk of flooding to the more heavily populated areas of Cardiff. She added that it was not the usual policy to dredge rivers as this could cause other problems, and that the

combination of the barrage and the existing flood plain fields were working as they should.

Mr. Vye-Parminter then went on to his general progress report, highlighting the following areas:

- New Cycleway Works – work had been undertaken at the top end of the Barrage (near the old Doctor Who exhibition site) involving the widening of the pathway which was now complete; however, Cardiff Harbour Authority could not comment further on this development as they had not been involved in these works.
- Next bike and E bike Stations – three stations had or were due to be installed at the Norwegian Church, the Barrage playground and one close to the current Next Bike unit at the Barrage Car Park.
- Environment – the water quality and monitoring prediction model was changing, from the current ‘Excellent’, ‘Good’ or ‘Poor’ categories to ‘Pass’ or ‘Fail’. Mr. Vye-Parminter added that although there was no requirement for Cardiff Harbour Authority to change to this new categorisation, it was felt that this reflected ‘best practice’ and was a move in step with current trends.

An Attendee raised a query on the E Bike stations and if there had been any publicity regarding these in advance as they seemed to have appeared suddenly in Penarth. Councillor Burnett (a Cabinet Member from the Vale of Glamorgan Council) replied that consultation had been undertaken prior to their installation and details concerning these had been publicised via the local press. Mr. Vye-Parminter advised that further details on these stations would be publicised via social media from Cardiff Harbour Authority.

A Member asked a question around water quality. People, in particular the young, used the waters around Cardiff Bay and therefore would data on nitrate levels still be provided or would it simply be the ‘pass/fail’ result. Mr. Vye-Parminter replied that he would make enquiries and report back to the Committee.

A Member asked when the bikes would be arriving for the station at Windsor Road, Penarth. Councillor Burnett confirmed the bikes would be arriving imminently.

AGREED – T H A T the report be noted.

(g) Natural Resources Wales Update –

Mrs. De Longhi, representing Natural Resources Wales (NRW), provided an update:

- Concerning Dissolved Oxygen Levels, NRW had been notified by CHA regarding such levels within the Bay, with sags in these mostly linked to low flows during the summer. As a result, NRW had been liaising with CHA about the low flows in order to ensure water levels in the Bay were maintained and flows through the fish pass continued. It was noted that lock

gate use was reduced during the Covid-19 restrictions and had helped maintain water levels, with no need to reduce the flow to the dock's feeder.

- NRW had continued to investigate the source of an intermittent polluting discharge in Cardiff in conjunction with Cardiff City Council and Cardiff Bay Retail Park agents. The challenge here being the collapsed surface water line and the Covid-19 restrictions which had hampered sampling and surveying the discharge.
- With regard to the Cardiff Bay Dredging Operations, NRW had received a notification request regarding Cardiff Bay Barrage Act 1993 Schedule 3 approval to dredge the River Taff near Bute Park in November. Due to Storm Denis large cobbles had filled the deep area needed for the water taxi to turn. Discussions were ongoing for a licence for this work to commence.
- Referring to the Hinkley Point C Nuclear Power Station, NRW had provided pre-application advice to EDF Energy on its plan to sample and test marine sediment from the Bristol Channel prior to a future licence application for its disposal in Wales. Following consultation with technical experts, NRW advisors and the public, NRW agreed in principle with the plan, but with recommendations to ensure EDF Energy explained how the requirements of agreed guidance and sampling procedures would be achieved before submitting its final plan to NRW for approval prior to applying for a marine licence to dispose of the dredged sediment later in 2020.
- Finally, NRW had received a request for a screening opinion from Wood Environment & Infrastructure Solutions UK Ltd to ascertain whether the disposal licence would require an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and the submission of an Environmental Statement. This would require consultation with Statutory Partners.

An Attendee raised concerns around Hinkley Point and the disposal operations near Cardiff Docks and Penarth. They asked if an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) would be required for this due to the large-scale disposal taking place which could impact on local beaches, for example. Councillor N. Humphrey (a Councillor for Penarth Town Council) stated that Councillors within Penarth and other neighbouring areas would be extremely concerned by this and asked if there had been a specific consultation with Penarth Town Council. Mrs. De Longhi replied to both by saying she would ensure their responses would be noted and that Penarth Town Councillors would be invited to be part of any consultation process.

AGREED – T H A T the report be noted.

(h) Sea Gulls in Cardiff Bay and Ways of Managing Them.

Mrs. De Longhi explained that Gulls were protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 and any cull could only be done under a licence and only if all preventative approaches had been carried out through a Gull Management Plan. Additional clarification was sought on what was being asked, to which the Clerk

stated that the Attendee who raised this question was unfortunately unable to attend and he would be seeking more details on this question from them.

AGREED – T H A T further clarification was required.

(i) Transport Over the Bay Including Water Taxi –

It was noted that the question did not come under the remit of the Committee but rather the Local Authority.

A member queried if the licensing of water taxis came under CHA, to which Mr. Vye-Parminter replied that the CHA was not a 'coding' authority but rather just issued a licence to operate these vehicles.

Additional clarification was sought on what was being asked, to which the Clerk stated that the Attendee who raised this question was unfortunately unable to attend and he would be seeking more details on this question from them as well as checking with the Vale of Glamorgan Council around this issue.

AGREED – T H A T further clarification was required.

(j) Managing Biodiversity and Natural Environment in Cardiff  
September 2019 – Report to Cabinet: 23rd January, 2020. (For Information).–

The report had been placed on the agenda for the Committee's information. The Chairman queried if similar work was being undertaken by the Vale of Glamorgan Council to which Councillor Burnett (a Cabinet Member from the Vale of Glamorgan Council) stated that yes, an Ecology Officer, Colin Cheesman, had recently been recruited in order to carry out such work. Once settled in, it was suggested that Mr. Cheesman be invited to attend the meeting in order to report on these matters for the Vale.

(k) Any Other Business –

At the end of the meeting, the Chairman reminded all present that if they had any queries or issues they wished to raise, to contact the Clerk for placing on future agendas.

(l) Date of Next Meeting –

It was agreed that the next meeting would be on Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2020 at 5.00 p.m.

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RESOLVED – T H A T the minutes of the Cardiff Bay Advisory Committee meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 2020 be noted.

Reason for decision

To note the minutes.

**C341 APPOINTMENT OF LOCAL AUTHORITY GOVERNORS ADVISORY PANEL – 24<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2020 –**

The minutes of the Appointment of Local Authority Governors Advisory Panel held on 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2020 were submitted:

Present: Councillor L. Burnett (Chairman, Cabinet Member for Education and Regeneration); S.J. Griffiths, N.P. Hodges, Mrs. K.F McCaffer (substitute for Councillor T.H. Jarvie), Mrs. R. Nugent-Finn, Mrs. M. R. Wilkinson.

Also present: Councillor Mrs. P. Drake (substitute for Councillor Mrs. M. Wilkinson when discussing Colcot Primary School and Councillor L. Burnett when discussing St. Cyres School) and Mrs. M. Gibbs (Vale Governors Association).

Apologies: Councillor T.H. Jarvie

(a) Declarations of Interest –

The following declarations were received:

Councillor L. Burnett	Being a Governor at St. Cyres School disconnected from the meeting when the school was being considered.
	Had two great nieces attending Ysgol Sant Baruc but had dispensation to speak and vote from the Standards Committee.
Councillor N.P. Hodges	Being a Governor and married to a Governor at Ysgol Sant Baruc disconnected from the meeting when the school was being considered.
Councillor Mrs. K.F. McCaffer	Being a Governor at Evenlode Primary School disconnected from the meeting when the school was being considered.
Councillor Mrs. M.R. Wilkinson	Being a Governor at Colcot Primary School disconnected from the meeting when the school was being considered.
Mrs. M. Gibbs	Having applied to retain her position as a Governor at Romilly Primary School disconnected from the meeting when the school was being considered.

(b) Guidance Regarding the Appointment Process –

The Chairman referred to the Guidance regarding the appointment process which was detailed in Agenda Item No. 2 within the Agenda. Appendix 1 provided a list of vacancies, Appendix 2 was the Policy for the Appointment of Local Authority Governors, whilst Appendix 3 was an advertisement for Local Authority Governors. It was subsequently

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the Guidance in respect of the process be noted.

Reason for recommendation

In noting the Guidance for the appointment process.

(c) Exclusion of Press and Public –

RESOLVED – T H A T under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 4 of Schedule 12A (as amended) of the Act, the relevant paragraphs of the Schedule being referred to in brackets after the minute heading.

(d) Applications for Appointment for Current Local Authority Governor Vacancies (Exempt Information – Paragraph 12) –

The Panel was informed that there had been resignations from the Governing Bodies of two schools, Cogan Primary School and Oak Field Primary School, and it was agreed that the vacancies be considered at the meeting. The Panel also agreed to consider a late application which had been received.

Panel Members having regard to the vacancies and applications noted that some individuals would be able to apply for appointment as a Parent or Community Governor in the future, with it subsequently being

RECOMMENDED – To Cabinet

(1) T H A T the following appointments be made to the schools as set out below:

<b>School</b>	<b>No. of Vacancies</b>	<b>Appointment</b>
All Saints C/W Primary	1	J. Lancaster
Barry Island Primary	1	S. Rizea
Bute Cottage Nursery	1	J. Premier
Cogan Primary	1	C. Shillabeer
Colcot Primary	1	A. Skinner
Cowbridge Comprehensive School	2	S. Blackman Councillor A. Parker
Dinas Powys Primary	1	Councillor K. Hatton
Evenlode Primary	1	A. Thomas
Fairfield Primary	1	J. Wilcock
Holton Primary	4	D. Mutlow Councillor P. Drake J. Scott Councillor S. Perkes
Jenner Park Primary	1	E. Ryles
Llancarfan Primary	1	B. Milhuisen
Llandough Primary	1	Councillor G. Carroll
Llanfair Primary	1	A. Crowe



Llangan Primary	1	S. Cole
Llantwit Major	1	Councillor G. John
Oak Field Primary	1	L. Banks
Rhws Primary	1	J. Hartland
Romilly Primary	2	M. Gibbs J. Hartland
St. Cyres School	3	S. Smith C. Franks H. Evans
St. Illtyd Primary	1	A. Crowe
St. Nicholas C/W Primary	2	J. Hopkins N. Williams
St. Richard Gwyn R/C School	2	K. Evans D. Williams
Stanwell School	1	C. Adams
Sully Primary	2	M. Dicks D. Williams
Whitmore High	1	P. Valentino
Ysgol Bro Morgannwg	5	D. Griffith Councillor S. Wiliam H. Llewellyn-Morgan R. Evans G. Evans
Ysgol Dewi Sant	1	A. McKay
Ysgol Iolo Morgannwg	1	L. Prynne
Ysgol Pen-y-Garth	2	R. Griffiths C. Franks
Ysgol Sant Baruc	2	Councillor N. Hodges S. Hodges

Reason for decision

(1) To allow Cabinet to consider and agree appointments to the above schools' Governing Bodies, having regard to the applications received and the awareness that there would likely be Parent Governor and Community Governor positions vacant in the future.

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The Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Education and Regeneration noted that appointments had been made to every vacancy and put on record her thanks to all who had put their names forward as Governors and would play a role in the success of schools in the Vale.

RESOLVED – T H A T the minutes of the Appointment of Local Authority Governors Advisory Panel held on 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2020 be noted and the appointments to the relevant school Governing Bodies be agreed.

Reason for decision

To note the minutes and agree the relevant Governing Body appointments.

**C342 ANNUAL DELIVERY PLAN MONITORING REPORT: QUARTER 1 PERFORMANCE 2020/21 (L) (SCRUTINY – ALL) -**

The Leader presented the report the purpose of which was to present quarter 1 performance results for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020 to 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 in delivering Annual Delivery Plan commitments as aligned to the Corporate Plan Well-being Objectives.

The performance report presented progress at Quarter 1 (1<sup>st</sup> April to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2020) towards achieving Annual Delivery Plan (2020/21) commitments as aligned to the Corporate Plan Well-being Objectives.

Despite the significant challenges of responding to the global COVID-19 pandemic which was at its height during the first quarter period, positive progress had been made in delivering in-year commitments in relation to our Annual Delivery Plan (2020/21). This performance had contributed to an overall AMBER status for the Plan at Quarter 1 (Q1).

All four Corporate Plan Well-being Objectives were attributed an Amber performance status at Q1 to reflect the progress made to date. This was positive given the unprecedented challenges faced during the quarter.

65% (149 out of 228) of planned activities outlined in the Annual Delivery Plan had been attributed a Green performance reflecting the positive progress made during the quarter, under challenging circumstances. 20% (47) of planned activities were attributed a Red status.

Of the 47 actions attributed a Red performance status during the quarter, 70% (33) were directly as a result of service reprioritisation measures undertaken in response to the impact of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. In relation to these areas, where appropriate, work was now recommencing alongside service reviews which would inform recovery planning and strategy going forward. Progress in relation to this would be reported during Q2.

Of the 43 quarterly performance measures aligned to the Corporate Plan Well-being Objectives, data was reported for 34 measures where a performance status was applicable. 70% (24) measures were attributed a Green performance Status, 3% (1) an Amber status and 27% (9) a Red status. Data was unavailable for 9 quarterly measures due to reprioritisation measures undertaken in response to the impact of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. A performance status was not applicable for 121 measures including a number of annual indicators (104) and those establishing baseline performance for the year (8).

In relation to the 9 measures attributed a Red performance status during the quarter, the impact of COVID-19 had contributed to missing target.

All 5 Scrutiny Committees had reviewed quarter 1 performance reports between 15<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2020 and upon consideration, had noted the performance results and progress to date in relation to the Annual Delivery Plan.

The report sought Cabinet's consideration of the views and recommendations of Scrutiny Committees (detailed in the report in paragraphs 2.14 and 2.17) in relation to Q1 performance and approval of identified remedial actions as the basis to address areas of underperformance and to tackle the key challenges identified.

In addition, Cabinet was requested to note overall service performance results to date and progress made towards achieving the priorities in the Annual Delivery Plan 2020/21.

The Leader and Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources noted the Responsible Officer was listed incorrectly on the report, the correct Officer being Rob Thomas, Managing Director.

Some of the feedback from Scrutiny Committees requested 'snapshots' of performance information to be made available with direct relevance to their own particular areas; the Leader noted the request and added that such information was also available within the detail of the report and which highlighted what had been done well and where there were areas for improvement.

Subject to noting the alteration of the Responsible Officer, Cabinet, having considered the report and all the issues and implications contained therein

RESOLVED –

(1) T H A T performance results and progress towards achieving the Annual Delivery Plan 2020/21 commitments as aligned to our Corporate Plan Well-being Objectives and presented in the report and the Appendices be noted.

(2) T H A T the views and recommendations of all Scrutiny Committees in relation to Q1 performance results be noted and approved identified remedial actions as a basis to address areas of underperformance and to tackle the key challenges be identified.

#### Reasons for decisions

(1) To ensure the Council clearly demonstrates the progress being made towards achieving its commitments in the Annual Delivery Plan 2020/21 aimed at making a positive difference to the lives of Vale of Glamorgan citizens.

(2) To ensure the Council is effectively assessing its performance in line with the requirement to secure continuous improvement outlined in the Local Government Measure (Wales) 2009 and reflecting the requirement of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 that it maximises its contribution to achieving the well-being goals for Wales.

**C343 HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME – HAYESWOOD ROAD, BARRY (HBS) (SCRUTINY – HSC) -**

The Cabinet Member for Housing and Building Services presented the report the purpose of which was to inform Cabinet of a proposal to develop much needed new Council housing on land at Hayeswood Road, Barry (the Scheme).

The Part I report brought to the attention of Cabinet, a proposal to develop 53no. new Council homes in the Castleland Ward, on land at Hayeswood Road, Barry which was in the process of being acquired from Welsh Government.

The Cabinet Member referred to paragraph 2.7 of the report which described the types of housing required in the Castleland, Sully and Cadoc areas.

Cabinet, having considered the report and all the issues and implications contained therein

RESOLVED – T H A T the report be noted and considered in connection with the Part II report later in the agenda.

Reason for decision

To allow Part I and II reports to be considered together.

**C344 YOUTH SERVICE HIRE AGREEMENT WITH GLAMORGAN VOLUNTARY SERVICE (LAC) (SCRUTINY – LC) –**

The Cabinet Member for Leisure and Arts presented the report, the purpose of which was to approve the hire agreement between the Youth Service and Glamorgan Voluntary Services (GVS) for use of the CF61 building in Llantwit Major.

GVS were the current lease holders of CF61 community building in Llantwit Major.

The agreement would allow the Vale Youth Service to hire the building two evenings per week for youth activities in the area. The hire agreement was £10k pa and increased to £10,500 pa from 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2020.

The Cabinet Member noted it was positive to continue to be able to offer an on-going provision for those who required it at this location.

The Cabinet Member for Legal, Regulatory and Planning Services added that the building now had a much wider use than before for the benefit of the town and residents and supported the continued provision of services.

Cabinet, having considered the report and all the issues and implications contained therein

RESOLVED –

(1) T H A T it be agreed that (both retrospectively and for future reference) the Vale of Glamorgan Youth Service take out a 3 year licence commencing on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2019 for use of the CF61 building for the activities connected to the service from Glamorgan Voluntary Service (GVS).

(2) T H A T authority be granted to the Monitoring Officer/Head of Legal and Democratic Services to negotiate and complete the licence referred to in Resolution (1) in consultation with the Section 151 Officer and the Director of Learning and Skills.

#### Reasons for decisions

(1) To ensure that the correct permissions have been sought for the occupation to date which will support youth activities to continue to run in the Llantwit Major area.

(2) To provide the authority for the Council to negotiate the terms of and enter into the Licence.

#### **C345 VALE OF GLAMORGAN GATEWAY STATION WELTAG STAGE TWO OUTLINE BUSINESS CASE (NST) (SCRUTINY – ER)**

The Cabinet Member for Neighbourhood Services and Transport presented the report, the purpose of which was to update Cabinet on progress with the Vale of Glamorgan Gateway Station WelTAG Stage Two Outline Business Case and make recommendations for the next steps to be considered.

The Report provided Cabinet with an update on progress of the Vale of Glamorgan Gateway Station WelTAG Stage Two Outline Business study (attached at Appendix A to the report).

The draft WelTAG Stage Two Outline Business Case had been completed by Arcadis and assessed the do-minimum scenario plus four options for a station located near to M4 Junction 34 encompassing:

- Location 1 - Land South East of the Renishaw Development
- Location 2 - Land South of the Railway between the Railway and River Ely
- Location 3 - Situated on Marsh/ Wet Woodland West of the Extant Renishaw Development
- Location 4 - Existing Renishaw Car Park Site.

On the basis of the WelTAG Stage Two study and the potential socio-economic, cultural and environmental benefits identified in the outline business case, it was considered that the Vale of Glamorgan Gateway Station (Location 4) had merit in being taken forward for further consideration as part of an updated WelTAG Stage Two appraisal encompassed a full value for money assessment. Whilst Location 4 had been identified as the preferred location option, it was advised that the study

considered the potential for an alternate location, primarily due to extant constraints that could adversely impact on implementation.

Following completion of the Stage Two appraisal, the report subsequently made the following recommendations:

- Completion of a full WelTAG Stage Two Outline Business Case, inclusive of full economic appraisal encompassing a value for money exercise.
- Submission of GRIP Stage 1-2/ Transport for Wales Stage A attached at Appendix B to the report, to be brought in line with GRIP Product Deliverables, including the potential for an additional solution to be developed (as an alternative).
- Submission of GRIP Stage 3/ Transport for Wales Stage B Option Development and Selection.
- The scope of the GRIP product deliverables should be developed to encompass the following key activities where applicable:
  - Stakeholder engagement and consensus to determine likelihood of external factors.
  - Additional Demand Forecasting (dependent on external factors), route origin/ destination reviews, including additional detail on traffic impact within the Vale of Glamorgan road network.
  - Detailed timetable analysis, including the impact on freight services and resilience/ redundancy review in the rail network.
  - A timetable for ecological surveys required and likely to include dormouse nest tube surveys (six months survey effort between April and November), great crested newt eDNA surveys of surrounding ponds (undertaken between 15th April and 30th June) and bat activity surveys undertaken between April/ May and September).
  - Option cost estimation.
  - Network Rail Engagement via a Basic Services Agreement (BSA)/ Basic Asset Protection Agreement (BAPA).

The Cabinet Member for Neighbourhood Services and Transport added the report concerned a possible Park & Ride rail facility next to Junction 34 of the M4 and was not directly connected with any separate proposal concerning a road link between Junction 34 and the A48.

The next step of the work was substantially the responsibility of the Rail Authorities with regards their Governance for Railway Investment Projects (GRIP) report.

Cabinet, having considered the report and all the issues and implications contained therein

**RESOLVED -**

(1) That progress made on the Vale of Glamorgan Gateway Station WelTAG Stage Two Outline Business Case (Appendix A) relating to proposals for a new railway station in the Vale of Glamorgan located near to the M4 Junction 34 be noted.

(2) T H A T the matter be referred to the Environment and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee for consideration.

(3) T H A T, subject to consideration by the Environment and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee, the progression of the full WelTAG Stage Two study and accompanying GRIP Transport for Wales Stage A and B studies for the Vale of Glamorgan Gateway Station be endorsed.

#### Reasons for decisions

(1) To update Members on progress made on the scheme.

(2) To allow this report to be scrutinised.

(3) To support progression of the study to full WelTAG Stage Two, in principle, funded by Welsh Government.

#### **C346 OBJECTION REPORT: COSMESTON COUNTRY PARK CAR PARK, PORTHKERRY COUNTRY PARK CAR PARK, WYNDHAM STREET CAR PARK, BARRY AND TOWN HALL CAR PARK, COWBRIDGE - PROPOSED INTRODUCTION OF CAR PARK CHARGING (NST) (SCRUTINY – ER) -**

The Cabinet Member for Neighbourhood Services and Transport presented the report, the purpose of which was to advise Cabinet of objections received and to propose an appropriate way forward.

A Report was presented to Cabinet on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020, to agree the guiding principles and charges at four car parks within the Vale of Glamorgan, namely Cosmeston and Porthkerry Country Parks, Wyndham Street, Barry and Town Hall, Cowbridge.

The Cabinet Report was subsequently considered by the Environment and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee on the 25<sup>th</sup> February 2020, followed by the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee on the 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2020. Cabinet endorsed the proposed Car Parking Principles and Charges report at its meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2020 (Minute No. C275 refers).

There was a statutory process that must be followed to introduce charges for car parking and a public notice of the proposal to progress with a Traffic Regulation Order to implement charges at the aforementioned car parks was given on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2020. This process concluded on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2020. During that period, 159 responses were received, of which 155 were formal objections to the proposal.

The report advised Cabinet of the details of the objections received to the Traffic Regulation Order and the technical officers' responses to those objections and sought approval to implement the proposed car parking charges on a phased basis.

The Cabinet Member for Neighbourhood Services and Transport noted the report formed part of the legal process towards the introduction of parking charges at several locations. It was important to note there was no intention of implementing such charges until local restrictions due to COVID-19 were lifted or work completed to mitigate possible displacement parking were in place.

The report detailed the respondents and the objections raised and provided responses to each. The Cabinet Member felt they were adequately addressed and asked Cabinet to reject those objections.

The Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Education and Regeneration added that the only people who should currently be using country parks were Vale residents, so it would not be appropriate to implement charges until local restrictions were no longer in place.

The Cabinet Member for Social Care and Health added that the issue as to whether or not to bring in parking charges was covered, scrutinised and debated within the Council and the report was part of the legal process to bring those charges forward. The matters that had been objected to had been mitigated by the use of proposed local parking restrictions with regards displacement parking at Cosmeston but also recognising that COVID-19 may have had effects on matters and therefore not bringing in such charges until the lifting of local restrictions was sensible.

The Leader and Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources noted a number of the objections were submitted prior to notification of the final proposals. The Charging policy had been debated fully by Scrutiny Committees and agreed by Cabinet. The report did not cover areas such as Barry Island as parking charges are already in place. The process was started prior to COVID-19 and the report formed part of the process to bring the matter forward, however no charges would be in place until local restrictions had been removed.

Cabinet, having considered the report and all the issues and implications contained therein

RESOLVED -

(1) T H A T the objections be rejected for the reasons contained in the report and the car parking charges be implemented as follows:

- Porthkerry Country Park – as soon as the ticket machines are available, unless the COVID-19 restrictions are still in place, in which case charges would not be implemented until the Local Restrictions had been lifted.
- Cosmeston Country Park – in conjunction with the controls for displacement parking but would not be implemented unless the COVID-19 restrictions and the Local Restrictions had been lifted.
- Wyndham Street Car Park, Barry and Cowbridge Town Hall Car Park on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 unless the COVID-19 restrictions were still in place, in which case charges would not be implemented until the Local Restrictions had been lifted.



- (2) T H AT the objectors be advised of this decision.

Reasons for decisions

- (1) To confirm the Council's position and to make clear when the new charges will apply.
- (2) To enable the Order to be made.

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The Leader and Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources noted there was one item for discussion under Part II of the agenda which was a report of the Cabinet Member for Housing and Building Services concerning the 'Housing Development Programme – Hayeswood Road, Barry', following on from the discussion under Item 7 of today's agenda.

As there were matters that were considered commercially sensitive, it was necessary to move into private session where confidential matters could be discussed under Part II. Therefore, the Cabinet Officer would ensure that the recording was closed at this point and would ensure that only relevant parties remained to hear the detail of the item being discussed.

Following the meeting, the outcome of the Part II discussion would be formally captured as part of the minutes of the meeting, advising all parties of the final decision of the Cabinet for this item.

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**C347 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC –**

RESOLVED – T H A T under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 4 of Schedule 12A (as amended) of the Act, the relevant paragraphs of the Schedule being referred to in brackets after the minute heading.

**C348 HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME – HAYESWOOD ROAD, BARRY (HBS) (EXEMPT INFORMATION – PARAGRAPHS 13 AND 14) (SCRUTINY – HSC) -**

The Cabinet Member for Housing and Building Services presented the report the purpose of which was to seek Cabinet approval to submit a detailed planning application and to tender the housing development scheme known as Hayeswood Road, Barry (the Scheme).

The report brought to the attention of Cabinet, a proposal to develop 53no. new Council homes in the Castleland Ward, on land at Hayeswood Road, Barry which were in the process of being acquired from Welsh Government.

The report further discussed the financial viability of the Scheme and evidenced the demand for this type of housing in the Castleland Ward.

The report also sought Cabinet approval of the Scheme and delegated authority to Officers, in order that the Scheme could progress to the submission of a detailed Planning Application and procurement in accordance with the Council's Contract Procurement Rules.

The Cabinet Member for Housing and Building Services referred to the costs and figures within the Part II report and noted the benefits of the scheme with the proposed provision of 53 new homes.

The Leader and Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources agreed and hoped that the detail could be finalised with Welsh Government.

Cabinet, having considered the report and all the issues and implications contained therein

#### RESOLVED -

- (1) T H A T the Director of Environment and Housing be authorised to submit a detailed planning application for the Scheme and secure the necessary statutory consents for the development.
- (2) T H A T, subject to receiving the requisite planning consent, Cabinet authorise the Director of Environment and Housing in consultation with the Head of Finance/Section 151 Officer to commence tendering procedures for the works and services outlined in the report.
- (3) T H A T, subject to receiving the requisite planning consent, Cabinet grant delegated authority to the Director of Environment and Housing in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing and Building Services and the Head of Finance/Section 151 Officer to accept and award contracts to the successful tenderers for these works and services in accordance with the Council's Contract Procedure Rules.
- (4) T H A T, subject to receiving the requisite planning consent, Cabinet authorise the Monitoring Officer / Head of Legal and Democratic Services to prepare and execute the appropriate contracts with the successful tenderers.

#### Reasons for decisions

- (1) To progress the detailed design and submission of a full planning application for the Scheme.

- (2) To prepare the detailed suite of documentation in readiness for the tendering process for the Scheme.
- (3) To progress the Scheme and accept tenders from and award contracts to the successful bidders under the Council's Contract Procedure Rules.
- (4) To allow the Council to enter into contracts with the successful bidders.