

THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL

CABINET: 22ND JUNE, 2023

REFERENCE FROM CORPORATE PERFORMANCE AND RESOURCES
SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: 21ST JUNE, 2023

HYBRID MEETING PLATFORM UPDATE (REF) (EXEMPT INFORMATION –
PARAGRAPHS 13 AND 14) –

The reference from Cabinet on 8th June, 2023 was presented.

The reference and appended report were discussed by the Committee and a number of matters and questions were raised. It was agreed that a recommendation be sent back to Cabinet regarding the proposed investment, as detailed in the report, for a dedicated 500Mbps broadband link to be installed in the Council Chamber's Audio / Visual Room and to reconsider its necessity.

Also, the Committee asked to receive a 'reflections' report in order to have an overview of the work undertaken for the Hybrid Meeting Platform and highlighting key aspects of this project.

RECOMMENDED –

(1) T H A T Cabinet is asked to consider, with reference to the Council's ICT Department, whether the proposed investment, as detailed in the report, for a dedicated 500Mbps broadband link to be installed in the Council Chamber's Audio / Visual Room (in order to allow the hybrid and streaming systems to be completely separated from the Council's internal network), is required.

(2) T H A T a comprehensive reflections report is produced for the Committee's consideration, outlining the timeline of the Hybrid Meeting Platform Project (including Civico), the financial and legal aspects, the successes and challenges, as well as the lessons learnt from the Project.

Reasons for recommendations

(1) For Cabinet to consider the necessity of the proposed investment as part of the Hybrid Meeting Platform Project.

(2) For Committee to be provided with a greater overview and understanding of the Project and to ensure that a comprehensive reflections piece is provided for the Council in order to assist it with similar undertakings in the future.