

CABINET

Minutes of a Hybrid meeting held on 6th June, 2024.

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Present: Councillor L. Burnett (Chair); Councillors R.M. Birch, B.E. Brooks G. John, S.D. Perkes, S. Sivagnanam and E. Williams.

C15 ANNOUNCEMENT –

The Leader commenced by advising of some housekeeping issues and advised that the meeting was being livestreamed, recorded and would be uploaded to the Vale of Glamorgan Council's website as soon as practicable after the meeting

C16 APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE –

This was received from Councillor M.R. Wilson.

C17 MINUTES –

RESOLVED – T H A T the minutes of the meeting held on 23rd May, 2024 be approved as a correct record.

C18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –

No declarations of interest were received.

C19 ORACLE FUSION IMPLEMENTATION (REF) -

The reference from Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee on 17th April, 2024 was presented in association with Agenda Item 5 under Part I and Agenda Item 19 under Part II on the same matter.

The Leader thanked the Committee for the reference and the time given by both the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny and Governance and Audit Committees to consider the detail in the report which had undergone a thorough and open discussion and considered the lessons learned by the Organisation concerning the implementation of Oracle Fusion.

There had been no single reason for the system costing more than had been originally planned, however a large contributory factor had been an initial underestimate of the complexity of the implementation and therefore the initial cost

estimate had not been realistic. It was advised in early 2020 that there was a need to replace the previous system and a business case put forward in August 2020, but it became evident that the initial 'go live' date of January 2022 was not achievable and most of the additional costs therefore were attributed to that delay.

There had been numerous similar reports in the press relating to the implementation of the programme, with another Welsh Council having a planned implementation of £4.8 million which was eventually implemented in excess of £12 million, and one English County who had to re-implement with a final forecast cost in the region of £40 million, showing it had been a problematic issue for a number of Councils.

There were a number of Recommendations made by the Committee. The Leader said it was important that the Council was a learning Organisation and had arrangements in place to continually review projects and share learning. There was an extensive Project Management Toolkit in place which required review and greater awareness raised concerning training and its use. Schedules of Work as part of contracts needed to provide clarity of responsibility both for the Council and relevant contractors. Levels of risk needed to be understood from the beginning of contracts and ensure the necessary resources were identified.

The Leader said it was important to note that the implementation had been successful, with a sound, robust financial system in place for the Council for the medium and longer term.

Results of the review were already being shared both internally and externally with other Councils.

There had been numerous comments made by members during the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee meeting which were also forwarded to Governance and Audit Committee when they considered the matter. With regards the Committee's Recommendations, the Leader said the Council were taking on board the lessons learned from this process and the report had been shared with Ardal as part of the procurement partnership with other Local Authorities. With regards to better and earlier communication to Elected Members and the relevant Committees concerning the progress of such major projects, that had been the case for the recent report on the CareDirector system (WCCIS), although some Members felt there was not enough detail as it was too early, but more details would follow as part of the engagement with Members as the matter progressed. Improving the Council's skill base and IT literacy of staff was already being done and was ongoing and the Council continued to look to develop its Project Management Team, but it was important to ensure that the Council had the right technical expertise available. The need for the Council to look at its organisational capacity for new projects would be a discussion for the Council to have as part of its budget setting process as there was a need to balance capacity and delivery against the available budget.

The Leader also referred to Paragraph 1.4 of Page 4 of the Cabinet report which stated that the new system finally went live in April 2023, two years later than planned, but which was incorrect. The actual delay was 16 months, but 4 months of that time was a deliberate decision to not have discrepancies between the old and

new systems over the Christmas and end of year periods and subsequently went live in April 2023 without issue.

Having considered the reference, it was subsequently

RESOLVED – T H A T thanks be given to the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee and that the discussion and comments of the Committee on 17th April, 2024 be noted.

Reason for decision

Having regard to the contents of the reference and discussions at the meeting.

C20 ORACLE FUSION IMPLEMENTATION (REF) -

The reference from Governance and Audit Committee on 20th May, 2024 was presented in association with Agenda Item 4 under Part I and Agenda Item 9 under Part II on the same matter.

The Leader thanked the Committee for the reference and its associated comments and said there had been a good discussion at the meeting. Councillor Hooper had said that he was glad that there were independent Lay Members appointed to the Governance and Audit Committee whom the Leader pointed out also had expertise in risk and project management.

The Chair of Governance and Audit Committee commented that it was important for the lessons learnt paper to be cascaded throughout the Council, which the Leader said was being actioned and shared with other Councils and support had been provided to another Council regarding system implementation.

Lessons had been learned in relation to risk management within the Council and were outlined in the accompanying report. A piece of work would be undertaken with Heads of Services and Directors in terms of sharing the lessons learnt and the Council would go further in that training would be delivered around the use of the Project Management Toolkit.

There were a number of Recommendations made by the Committee. The Leader challenged whether more could have been done in terms of timescales and the circumstances of the matter in terms of scrutiny but agreed that anything the Council does should be open to scrutiny. The initial business case had not included archiving and had understated the required resources and finance. With regards Scrutiny being made aware of the issues, the timescales of decision making had been laid out in the report. It was a matter for the Committee to arrange a workshop for Members to understand how the 59 recommendations would be implemented.

Having considered the reference, it was subsequently

RESOLVED – T H A T thanks be given to the Governance and Audit Committee and that the discussion and comments of the Committee on 20th May, 2024 be noted.

Reason for decision

Having regard to the contents of the reference and discussions at the meeting.

C21 RESHAPING: THE NEXT PHASE OF TRANSFORMATION (REF) -

The reference from Voluntary Sector Joint Liaison Committee on 29th January, 2024 was presented by the Cabinet Member who advised that the Committee welcomed the intention to streamline the Community Asset Transfer process and the Third Sector welcomed the opportunity to work more closely with the Council in relation to the service transformation approach.

Having considered the reference, it was subsequently

RESOLVED – T H A T the discussion and comments of the Voluntary Sector Joint Liaison Committee on 29th January, 2024 be noted.

Reason for decision

Having regard to the contents of the reference and discussions at the meeting.

C22 RESHAPING: THE NEXT PHASE OF TRANSFORMATION (REF) -

The reference from Community Liaison Committee on 18th April, 2024 was presented.

The Cabinet Member said that during the discussions, several Community Council Members made contributions concerning how Community Asset Transfers had taken place and could take place in the future and looked for stronger cooperation. The Director had said he was working very closely with the Council's Strategic Leadership Team to assess how the Leadership Team would collectively ensure that the Council delivered on the reshaping framework and would continue to engage with Town and Community Councils to understand the best way to approach discussions going forward.

The Leader said it would be good to discuss more about Community Asset Transfers and partnership working with local organisations and Town and Community Councils.

Having considered the reference, it was subsequently

RESOLVED – T H A T the discussion and comments of the Community Liaison Committee on 18th April, 2024 be noted.

Reason for decision

Having regard to the contents of the reference and discussions at the meeting.

C23 WORK TO TACKLE POVERTY AND THE CURRENT COST OF LIVING CRISIS (REF) -

The reference from Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee on 24th April, 2024 was presented.

The Leader said there had been a lot of work being done regarding cost of living support, including food pods and food banks, as well as the provision of warm spaces, support pages online and the Value in the Vale (VIV) volunteering scheme.

With the help of so many local community organisations, a small amount of money had gone a long way towards supporting people in the community.

Comments at the Committee included the efforts to help rural communities, work with social enterprises, the Older People's Champion, the Council's Age Friendly Team and the work of the Council's Housing Team with Council tenants.

The Committee Recommended and Cabinet noted:

- (1) T H A T the work being undertaken with regards tackling poverty and the cost-of-living crisis which was a critical challenge within the Council's Annual Delivery Plan 2023-24 and the new Annual delivery Plan 2024-25 be noted.
- (2) T H A T the Welsh Benefits Charter and the Welsh Child Poverty Strategy be noted.
- (3) T H A T the use of the cost-of-living reserve to support those in need be noted.
- (4) T H A T the Committee supported and endorsed that future reports on cost of living work should be reported to the Homes and Safe Communities Scrutiny Committee.
- (5) T H A T the format of the report be revisited in order to address the comments raised by the Committee on that.

Recommendation (6) requested that Cabinet considered continuing the provision of additional support in the school summer holidays to those in receipt of free school meals (FSM), but in the absence of funding that would have to be considered further as part of the budget setting process as the total left in the reserve was not a large amount.

Having considered the reference, it was subsequently

RESOLVED –

- (1) T H A T the discussion and comments of the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee on 24th April, 2024 and Recommendations (1) to (5) be noted

(2) T H A T the provision of additional support in the school summer holidays to those in receipt of free school meals would be considered alongside other potential measures regarding the cost of living crisis.

Reasons for decisions

(1-2) Having regard to the contents of the reference and discussions at the meeting.

C24 REQUIRED LEARNING REVIEW (REF) -

The reference from Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee on 24th April, 2024 was presented.

The Leader referred to a recent Estyn inspection which spoke about the constructive culture of the organisation with Directorates that work together to break down previous silos and add value to work of different departments.

The Committee noted the Required Learning Review report. ICT already provide a number of 'how to' modules which were effective as learning-by-doing tools. With regards a more 'staggered' approach being taken to avoid any unnecessary, 'box ticking' exercises, the Leader said that it was essential that any employee coming to work for the Council understood matters such as safeguarding and its requirements immediately, but the matter would be referred to the Head of Human Resources and Organisational Development for consideration. Welsh Local Authorities' mandatory training was not dissimilar but was considered alongside the individual Authority's needs. The Council was already working with other Local Authorities in terms of training and learning in order to achieve economies of scale for similar training objectives.

Having considered the reference, it was subsequently

RESOLVED –

(1) T H A T the discussion and comments of the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee on 24th April, 2024 be noted.

(2) T H A T the Head of Human Resources and Organisational Development consider how best at the start of the induction process and subsequent required learning for Council staff, a more 'staggered' approach could be taken in order to avoid any unnecessary, 'box ticking' exercises and lessen the impact on staff work pressures.

Reasons for decisions

(1-2) Having regard to the contents of the reference and discussions at the meeting.

C25 LET'S TALK ABOUT LIFE IN THE VALE – SURVEY REPORT AND FURTHER ENGAGEMENT (REF) -

The reference from Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee on 22nd May, 2024 was presented.

The Cabinet Member said there was good discussion on the matter at Scrutiny Committee and how important it was that the Council learned from the results of the survey and listened to the views of residents.

As part of the Resolutions of the Cabinet meeting on 11th April, 2024 it was agreed that the Council's existing Public Participation Strategy would be reviewed, its actions updated and reprioritised based on the survey results from Let's Talk About Life in the Vale, and all progress to date would be reported to Cabinet before the summer recess and incorporated into the Council's Annual Self-Assessment report.

Councillor Sivagnanam recommended therefore that Cabinet note the comments of the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee and asked for further consideration of the recommendations of the Committee to be part of the Cabinet report to be considered before the summer recess.

Having considered the reference, it was subsequently

RESOLVED – T H A T the discussion and comments of the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee on 22nd May, 2024 be noted, and that the comments and recommendations of the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee be part of the Cabinet report to be considered before the summer recess.

Reason for decision

Having regard to the contents of the reference and discussions at the meeting.

C26 DEVELOPMENT OF THE CORPORATE PLAN 2025-2030, PANEL PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT AND ANNUAL PERFORMANCE CALENDAR 2024/25 (EL/PR) (SCRUTINY – ALL) –

The Leader presented the report, the purpose of which was to outline the approach to developing a new Corporate Plan for 2025-2030, arrangements and proposed scope for the Panel Performance Assessment and to present the Vale of Glamorgan Annual Performance Calendar for 2024/25. The report also outlined the key findings and learning from the review of last year's Annual Self-Assessment approach and made proposals to further enhance the process in readiness for the 2023/24 self-assessment.

Planning the way forward over the next five years started with the Corporate Plan which then cascaded down to the Annual Delivery Plans. Panel Performance Calendar and Panel Performance Assessments, involving round-table discussions

and peer assessments to monitor performance would be ongoing throughout the year.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

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

RESOLVED –

(1) T H A T the approach to developing the Corporate Plan 2025-30 as detailed within the report be approved.

(2) T H A T the timetable, approach and scope of the Panel Performance Assessment (PPA) as outlined in the report be approved and authority delegated to the Director of Corporate Resources in consultation with the Leader and Chief Executive to agree the terms of reference for the PPA with the Welsh Local Government Association (WLGA), the appointment of the Panel members and associated administrative arrangements.

(3) T H A T the Vale of Glamorgan Annual Performance Calendar 2024/25 and the proposed approach to engaging with Members in-year to shape and refine the Annual Performance Calendar of activities and to support Members in their scrutiny role be approved.

(4) T H A T having considered the review findings from last year's Annual Self-Assessment approach, the proposed changes to the 2023/24 self-assessment, including the indicative timetable, be approved.

(5) T H A T the report be referred to all Scrutiny Committees and the Governance and Audit Committee for their awareness and consideration, with any views being referred back to Cabinet.

Reasons for decisions

(1) To enable officers to progress work to develop a new Corporate Plan.

(2) To enable the Council to proceed with arrangements for the PPA and to allow adequate preparatory time to commission and respond to the Panel Performance assessment with the findings informing the next iteration of the Council's Corporate Plan 2025-30.

(3) To ensure all Scrutiny Committees and the Governance and Audit Committee (section 114 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021) had oversight of the Annual Performance Calendar and their views informed the Council's approach to meeting the performance requirements.

(4) To ensure the Council's approach to the 2023/24 Self-Assessment increased the extent to which it was meeting the performance requirements of the LG&E Act.

(5) To ensure the Council fully discharged its duties under both the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 (WBFG) and the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 (LG&E) to publish annual Well-being Objectives, keep performance under review and consult and report on performance through an annual self-assessment relating to the previous financial year.

**C27 VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL DATA STRATEGY (EL/PR)
(SCRUTINY – CORPORATE PERFORMANCE AND RESOURCES) –**

The Leader presented the report, the purpose of which was to provide Cabinet with an update on the development of the Council's Data Strategy and sought approval of the Strategy.

The Leader referred to the reference on the agenda concerning 'Let's Talk About Life in the Vale' survey which works alongside the Data Strategy as the Council wanted to take decisions based on evidence and therefore needed good quality data available to make choices with data and evidence to support those decisions.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

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

RESOLVED –

(1) T H A T the content of the report and the draft Data Strategy (Appendix A) be noted.

(2) T H A T, subject to Resolution 1, Cabinet endorsed and approved the Data Strategy (Appendix A).

Reasons for decisions

(1) To enable Cabinet to consider the draft Data Strategy.

(2) To ensure the Council adopted a Data Strategy, providing a framework for the development of data work across the organisation.

**C28 VALE OF GLAMORGAN INFORMATION GOVERNANCE
STRATEGY (EL/PR) (SCRUTINY – CORPORATE PERFORMANCE AND
RESOURCES) –**

The Leader presented the report, the purpose of which was to inform Cabinet on the development of the Council's Information Governance Strategy and sought approval for the Strategy.

It was important that everyone concerned with the Council was aware of how to properly handle data, with mandatory training on data safety available to all staff and Members.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

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

RESOLVED –

(1) T H A T the content of the report and the draft Information Governance Strategy (Appendix A) be noted.

(2) T H A T, subject to Resolution 1, Cabinet endorsed and approved the draft Information Governance Strategy (Appendix A).

Reasons for decisions

(1) To enable Cabinet to consider the draft Information Governance Strategy.

(2) To ensure the Council continued to have a relevant strategic overview of Information Governance to maintain its governance of information by design and not by default.

C29 APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES / JOINT COMMITTEES (EL/PR) (SCRUTINY – CORPORATE PERFORMANCE AND RESOURCES) –

The Leader presented the report, the purpose of which was to appoint / nominate representatives to the Outside Bodies / Joint Committees detailed in the report.

Appendix A concerned the amended record of Members appointed or nominated to serve on the Bodies listed until the Local Government elections in 2027, but the report also requested consideration of Cabinet nominations to sit on Corporate Joint Committee (CJC) Sub-Committees as attached at Appendix B.

The Leader noted that she would also be Chair of the Corporate Joint Committee Strategic Development Sub-Committee and Vice Chair of the Regional Transport Sub-Committee, in a non-voting capacity.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

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

RESOLVED –

- (1) T H A T the amended record of Members (attached as Appendix A to the report) be appointed or nominated to serve on the Bodies listed until the Local Government elections in 2027.
- (2) T H A T where permitted by law, attendance at meetings of organisations to which a Member had been nominated or appointed by the Council be classed as an approved duty for which travelling and subsistence allowances were payable, in accordance with the Council's scheme.
- (3) T H A T delegated authority be granted to the Head of Democratic Services to make typographical or other minor changes regarding appointments or nominations to serve on the Bodies listed as required until the local elections in 2027.
- (4) T H A T Councillor Pamela Drake be nominated to sit as a non-executive member to the Corporate Joint Committee (CJC) Governance and Audit Sub-Committee.
- (5) T H A T the Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Sustainable Places be nominated to sit on the Corporate Joint Committee (CJC) Regional Transport Sub-Committee.
- (6) T H A T the Cabinet Member for Community Engagement, Equalities and Regulatory Services be nominated to sit on the Corporate Joint Committee (CJC) Strategic Development Sub-Committee.
- (7) Subject to agreement to Resolutions (4), (5) and (6), that the Sub-Committees and the associated nominated Members be included as part of the final version of Appendix A.

Reasons for decisions

- (1-2) To ensure continuity of representation by the Council on Outside Bodies.
- (3) To make typographical or other minor changes as necessary without the need to seek Cabinet approval.
- (4) To nominate a non-executive member of the Governance and Audit Committee to the Corporate Joint Committee (CJC) Governance and Audit Sub-Committee.
- (5) To nominate the Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Sustainable Places to sit on the Corporate Joint Committee (CJC) Regional Transport Sub-Committee.
- (6) To nominate the Cabinet Member for Community Engagement, Equalities and Regulatory Services to sit on the Corporate Joint Committee (CJC) Strategic Development Sub-Committee.

(7) To ensure the most up to date version of the Appointments to Outside Bodies / Joint Committees listings

C30 HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME – LAND AT UPPER COSMESTON FARM, PENARTH (PSHTE) (SCRUTINY – HOMES AND SAFE COMMUNITIES) –

The Cabinet Member presented the report, the purpose of which was to advise Cabinet of a proposal to submit a bid to Welsh Government to acquire and develop the land at Upper Cosmeston Farm in partnership with Newydd Housing Association, United Welsh Housing Association and Edenstone Homes. The report also advised Cabinet of a proposal to form a Limited Liability Partnership with the afore mentioned partners, to facilitate the delivery of the development proposals if selected as Welsh Government's preferred bidders.

Councillor Perkes was pleased to bring the report to Cabinet for consideration as it demonstrated the ambition of the Council in being its own developer. If the bid were to be successful, Welsh Government would require that any potential development partner deliver 50% affordable homes on the site which were desperately needed in the Vale of Glamorgan.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

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

RESOLVED –

(1) T H A T the proposal to submit a collaborative bid with Partners to Welsh Government to acquire and develop for housing, land at Upper Cosmeston Farm, Penarth be noted.

(2) T H A T the proposal to form a Limited Liability Partnership (LLP) with Partners, if selected as Welsh Government's preferred bidders, be noted.

(3) T H A T the requirement to take formal decisions on the progression of the above proposal, as part of the wider considerations detailed in the Part II report later in the agenda be agreed.

(4) T H A T the use of the urgency procedure, as set out at Section 15.14 of the Council's Constitution, in respect to Resolutions (1) – (3) of the associated Part II report later in the agenda be agreed.

Reasons for decisions

(1) To advise Cabinet of the intention to increase the supply of new Council owned homes.

- (2) To advise Cabinet of the need to form a legal entity to deliver proposed development.
- (3) To ensure decisions were made to progress the proposed development of new Council owned homes.
- (4) To ensure that Council could submit an appropriate bid to Welsh Government for the Land at Upper Cosmeston Farm, Penarth by the deadline of midday on 7th June, 2024.

C31 CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION OF CHILDCARE FOR FLYING START IN DINAS POWYS, VALE OF GLAMORGAN (SCH) (SCRUTINY – HEALTHY LIVING AND SOCIAL CARE) –

The Cabinet Member presented the report, the purpose of which was to seek authority to undertake a tender process relating to the provision of childcare for the Vale of Glamorgan Flying Start Programme within the new setting in the grounds of Dinas Powys Primary School and sought delegated authority to award the contract to the successful provider.

Councillor Birch was pleased to see Flying Start programmes being undertaken as they provided high advantages to the children who used such programmes. Councillor Williams recognised that the Portfolios of Social Care and Health and Education, Arts and the Welsh Language were both connected to the programmes which had an impact on children and families across the Vale of Glamorgan and worked in partnership for the provision of such services.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

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

RESOLVED –

- (1) T H A T the Director of Social Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Social Care & Health, be authorised to undertake a competitive tender process for the provision of Flying Start services in Dinas Powys.
- (2) T H A T the Director of Social Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Social Care & Health, be authorised to award the contract(s) for the service for an initial period of two years with an option to extend for up to a further two years, following the completion of the tender process.
- (3) T H A T delegated authority be granted to the Monitoring Officer/Head of Legal and Democratic Services to prepare, complete and execute a contract with the successful bidder

Reasons for decisions

- (1) To enable the Directorate to undertake a tender process that would provide Flying Start childcare within Dinas Powys in a cost-effective way that met the requirements of Welsh Government Flying Start Guidance and the required standards of the Care Inspectorate Wales (CIW).
- (2) To ensure that the service was in place for the next two years with the potential to extend it for a further two years if required.
- (3) To ensure that the appropriate authority and documentation were in place to complete the contract.

C32 PROPOSED TRANSFER OF LAND AND BUILDINGS AT PENARTH ATHLETIC FIELD TO PENARTH ATHLETIC CLUB (LSW) (SCRUTINY – HEALTHY LIVING AND SOCIAL CARE) –

The Cabinet Member presented the report, the purpose of which was to consider (1) an objection to the proposed transfer of the Penarth Athletic Field to the Penarth Athletic Club and (2), subsequent to consideration of the objection, and without prejudice to the same, to note and consider a minor change to the area of land to be transferred to Penarth Athletic Club.

Councillor John detailed the objection received and the proposed response to that objection, including matters concerning public access, dogs, local schools, alcohol licence temporary events and the proposed reduction in the size of the area to be leased to the Club following discussions with the Club regarding other usage and which maintained public access to the site which would also be protected by specific covenants and provisions in the lease to the Club and further supported by the Athletic Field's 'Field in Trust' status.

The Leader said that Penarth Athletic Club had a long and successful history in the town and often local organisations thrived when taking over local facilities such as those proposed. Councillor John was confident that the Club would address any further issues raised, as would the Local Authority, to go from strength to strength going forward.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

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

RESOLVED –

- (1) T H A T having considered the objection received in response to the notice published in accordance with Section 123(2A) of the Local Government Act 1972 and for the reasons set out in the report, that the proposed transfer of the land and building at Penarth Athletic Field to the Penarth Athletic Club by way of lease be progressed.

(2) T H A T the revised area to be leased to Penarth Athletic Club be approved and further that the revised plan (attached at Appendices A and B) be now approved as the area to be leased to the Penarth Athletic Club.

Reasons for decisions

(1) To the transfer was in the best interests of both the Council and the Athletic Club and that no significant objection had been made to it.

(2) To reflect the discussions held with the Penarth Athletic Club and revise the area to be leased to the Club.

C33 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.

C34 ORACLE FUSION IMPLEMENTATION (REF) -

The reference from Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee on 17th April, 2024 was presented in association with Agenda Items 4 and 5 under Part I on the same matter.

The Leader thanked the Committee for the reference and its associated comments and said there had been a good discussion at the meeting as part of both the Part I and Part II considerations and earlier consideration under Agenda Items 4 and 5 under Part I on the same matter.

Having considered the reference, it was subsequently

RESOLVED – T H A T thanks be given to the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee and that the discussion and comments of the Committee on 17th April, 2024 be noted.

Reason for decision

Having regard to the contents of the reference and discussions at the meeting.

C35 HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME – LAND AT UPPER COSMESTON FARM, PENARTH (PSHTE) (SCRUTINY – HOMES AND SAFE COMMUNITIES) (EXEMPT INFORMATION PARAGRAPHS 13 AND 14) –

The Cabinet Member presented the report, the purpose of which was to seek approval to submit a bid to Welsh Government to acquire and develop the land at

Upper Cosmeston Farm in partnership with Newydd Housing Association, United Welsh Housing Association and Edenstone Homes (“the Partners”). The report also sought Cabinet approval to form a Limited Liability Partnership with the Partners, to facilitate the delivery of the development proposals, if selected, as Welsh Government’s preferred bidders.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

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

RESOLVED –

(1) T H A T the proposal to submit a collaborative bid with Consortium members to Welsh Government to acquire and develop for housing, land at Upper Cosmeston Farm, Penarth be approved and delegated authority be granted to the Head of Housing and Building Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Public Sector Housing and Tenant Engagement and the Head of Finance/Section 151 Officer, to submit a tender/bid to Welsh Government for the acquisition and development of Land at Upper Cosmeston Farm, Penarth.

(2) T H A T the Council establishment of a Limited Liability Partnership (LLP) with Partners, subject to being appointed as Welsh Government’s preferred bidder, be approved, and delegated authority be granted to the Head of Housing and Building Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Public Sector Housing and Tenant Engagement; the Head of Finance/Section 151 Officer Monitoring Officer/Head of Legal and Democratic Services to establish the Management Board of the LLP.

(3) T H A T delegated authority be granted to the Monitoring Officer / Head of Legal and Democratic Services to negotiate, prepare, execute and complete, as necessary, all legal agreements to establish a Limited Liability Partnership (LLP).

(4) T H A T the use of the urgency procedure, set out at Section 15.14 of the Council’s Constitution, in respect to Resolutions (1) – (3) above be agreed.

Reasons for decisions

(1) To submit an appropriate bid to Welsh Government for the Land at Upper Cosmeston Farm, Penarth.

(2) To create a tax efficient vehicle and Management Board for the successful delivery of the acquisition and development of Upper Cosmeston Farm, in accordance with Welsh Government’s aspirations.

(3) To enter into the necessary legal agreements to establish a Limited Liability Partnership (LLP) for delivery of the above scheme.

(4) To ensure that Council could submit an appropriate bid to Welsh Government for the Land at Upper Cosmeston Farm, Penarth by the deadline of midday on 7th June, 2024.