



MERTHYR TYDFIL  
County Borough Council  
Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol  
MERTHYR TUDFUL

## MINUTES OF MEETING

# FULL COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 17TH JUNE, 2015

**PRESENT:** Councillor D Isaac (In the Chair)

Councillors H Barrett, C J Barry, R Braithwaite, B Carter, T Chaplin, M Davies, E Galsworthy, A Jones, C T Jones, D Jones, G Jones, H R Jones, G Lewis, T Lewis, B E Mansbridge, L A Matthews, J McCarthy, L Mytton, M O'Neill, D Roberts, S Slater, W R Smith, Raymond Thomas, Richard Thomas, B Toomey, C Tovey, P Williams and S Williams

**Officers:**

Gareth Chapman (Chief Executive), Carys Kennedy (Head of Legal and Governance Services - Monitoring Officer), Ellis Cooper (Corporate Director (Place and Transformation) - Deputy Chief Executive), Lorraine Buck (Corporate Director (People and Performance) - Lead Director for Children and Young People), Dorothy Haines (Chief Officer (Learning) - Chief Education Officer), Cheryllee Evans (Chief Officer (Neighbourhood Services)), Alyn Owen (Chief Officer (Community Regeneration)), Steve Jones (Head of Finance - Chief Finance Officer), Lisa Jones (Head of Human Resources and Organisational Development), Mark Thomas (Head of Corporate Services) and Ceri Dinham (Senior Communications Officer)

Karen Vokes (Democratic Services Officer)

ITEM NO.	AGENDA MATTER	DECISION
71	Apologies for Absence	Apologies for absence received from Councillors P Brown, D Davies, K Moran and L Smart.

72	Declarations of Interest	No declarations of interest were made.
73	Minutes of meeting Monday, 13 April 2015 of Audit Committee	The minutes of the Audit Committee held on Monday, 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
74	Minutes of meeting Monday, 20 April 2015 of Rights of Way Committee	The minutes of the Rights of Way Committee held on Monday, 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
75	Minutes of meeting Monday, 20 April 2015 of Scrutiny : Schools	The minutes of the Scrutiny School Committee held on Monday, 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
76	Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 22 April 2015 of Cabinet	The minutes of Cabinet held on Wednesday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
77	Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 22 April 2015 of Full Council	The minutes of Full Council held on 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
78	Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 29 April 2015 of Planning , Regulatory and Licensing Committee	The minutes of the Planning, Regulatory and Licensing Committee held on Wednesday, 29 <sup>th</sup> April 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
79	Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 5 May 2015 of Scrutiny : Social Services & Social Regeneration	The minutes of the Scrutiny Social Services and Social Regeneration Committee held on Tuesday, 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
80	Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 6 May 2015 of Cabinet	The minutes of Cabinet held on Wednesday, 6 <sup>th</sup> May 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
81	Minutes of meeting Monday, 11 May 2015 of Scrutiny : Customer Services	The minutes of the Scrutiny Customer Services Committee held on Monday, 11 <sup>th</sup> May 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
82	Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 12 May 2015 of Scrutiny : Chief Executive (inc. Crime and Disorder)	The minutes of the Scrutiny Chief Executive (inc. Crime and Disorder) Committee held on Tuesday, 12 <sup>th</sup> May 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
83	Minutes of meeting Monday, 18 May 2015 of Scrutiny : Schools	The minutes of the Scrutiny School Committee held on Monday, 18 <sup>th</sup> May 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
84	Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 3 March 2015 of SACRE	The minutes of the SACRE Committee held on Tuesday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2015 be accepted as a correct record.

85	Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 20 May 2015 of Annual General Meeting	The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday, 20 <sup>th</sup> May 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
86	Minutes of meeting Friday, 22 May 2015 of Licensing Committee	The minutes of the Licensing Committee held on Friday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
87	Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 27 May 2015 of Licensing Committee	The minutes of the Licensing Committee held on Wednesday, 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
88	Amendments - Appointment to Committees and Committee Structure 2015/16	<p>Members were advised that the first meeting of Scrutiny: Governance, Performance, Business Change and Corporate Services will be held on <b>Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> June 2015</b>.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED that:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The changes to the Scrutiny, Audit and Planning Committees, set out in paragraphs 3.1.1. to 3.1.7., be approved.</li> </ul> <p>Customer Services Scrutiny Committee to be known as Neighbourhood Services and Public Protection Scrutiny Committee - not to include "incorporating Crime and Disorder".</p> <p>Councillor Howard Barrett be appointed to the vacancy on the Regeneration, Planning and Countryside Scrutiny Committee.</p> <p>Councillor Allan Jones be appointed to the vacancy on the Social Services Scrutiny Committee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The membership of the Standards and Appeals Committees, set out in paragraphs 3.1.8 and 3.1.9., be ratified.</li> </ul> <p>Councillor Clive Tovey be appointed to the vacancy on the Appeals Committee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The changes to the Cabinet Portfolios be noted.</li> </ul>
89	Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales (IRPW) Annual Report 2015-16	<p><b>RESOLVED that:</b></p> <p>The content of the Annual Report of the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales for 2015/16 be noted.</p> <p>The roles of Civic Head and Deputy Civic Head continue to be paid at Level C within the approved range; as agreed at Full Council on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2014.</p>

90	Ffos Y Fran Community Fund	<p><b>RESOLVED that:</b></p> <p>The allocation of funding from the Ffos Y Fran Community Fund be approved to the following organisation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Central Beacons Mountain Rescue - £30,412.84.</li> </ul>
91	Corporate Plan - Annual Delivery Document 2015-16	<p><b>RESOLVED that:</b></p> <p>The Corporate Plan - Annual Delivery Document for 2015/16 be approved.</p>
92	City Deal: Approach by Cardiff City Council	<p><b>RESOLVED that:</b></p> <p>A financial contribution of around £20,000, funded from earmarked reserves, be approved.</p> <p>This contribution be subject to all other Authorities in the region agreeing to participate.</p>
93	Help for Pensioners Scheme 2015	<p><b>RESOLVED that:</b></p> <p>The Council continues to support the scheme as operated in 2014/15 by providing financial assistance up to £50 per household as per the previous means tested criteria.</p> <p>This funding can be accommodated from within the Council Tax Reduction Scheme.</p>
94	Corporate Sundry Debt Recovery Policy	<p>The Committee were advised of an amendment on Appendix 1 (paragraph 7.2) - it should read that "The Debt Recovery Section will utilise the services of the Authority's internal Enforcement team.....".</p> <p><b>RESOLVED that:</b></p> <p>The Corporate Sundry Debt Recovery Policy be approved.</p> <p>The updated Policy be implemented with immediate effect.</p>
95	Ffos Y Fran Community Fund 6th Monthly	<p><b>RESOLVED that:</b></p> <p>The report be received.</p>
96	Representatives to Other Bodies 2015/16	<p>Members were advised of an amendment to the representation on the Merthyr Care and Repair Management Board on page 122 of the agenda.</p> <p>It should read Councillor Chris Barry and Councillor Bill Smith.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED that:</b></p> <p>The report be received.</p>
97	Remuneration paid to Members 2014/15	<p><b>RESOLVED that:</b></p> <p>The report be received.</p>

98	To deal with any other urgent business or correspondence	The Mayor advised that there was no urgent business or correspondence.
99	To receive communications from His Worship the Mayor	No communications were received from His Worship the Mayor.