



MERTHYR TYDFIL  
County Borough Council  
Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol  
MERTHYR TUDFUL

## MINUTES OF MEETING

# FULL COUNCIL MEETING

**WEDNESDAY, 20TH APRIL, 2016**

**PRESENT:** Councillor M Davies and D Isaac (**In the Chair**)

Councillors C J Barry, R Braithwaite, B Carter, T Chaplin, 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, K Moran, 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), Lisa Curtis Jones (Chief Officer (Social Services)), Dorothy Haines (Chief Officer (Learning) - Chief Education Officer), Cheryllee Evans (Chief Officer (Neighbourhood Services)), Steve Jones (Head of Finance), Steve Peters (Head of Public Protection and Housing), Judith Jones (Head of Planning and Countryside), Fran Donnelly (H R Manager), Justin Waite (Planning Policy Officer) and Ceri Dinham (Communications, Consultation and Engagement Manager)

Mair Morgan (Democratic Services Officer)

ITEM NO.	AGENDA MATTER	DECISION
1336	Apologies for Absence	Apologies for absence were received from Councillor H Barrett, Councillor P Brown, Councillor D Davies, Councillor D Isaac and Councillor L E Smart.

1337	Declarations of Interest	<p>Councillor D Roberts Declared his Interest in Item 16 – MTCBC Change Programme – Projects Report 5 as his daughter works in lifeline and his business supplies the Council.</p> <p>Councillor A Jones Declared his Interest in Item 16 – MTCBC Change Programme – Projects Report 5 as he is involved in Football.</p>
1338	The Future of the Ffos y Fran Scheme	This item was deferred.
1339	Minutes of meeting Monday, 14 March 2016 of Audit Committee	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <p>The Minutes of the Audit Committee held 14 March 2016 be accepted as a correct record.</p>
1340	Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 16 March 2016 of Cabinet	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <p>The Minutes of the Cabinet Meeting held 16 March 2016 be accepted as a correct record.</p>
1341	Minutes of meeting Friday, 18 March 2016 of Standards Committee	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <p>The Minutes of the Standards Committee held 18 March 2016 be accepted as a correct record.</p>
1342	Minutes of meeting Monday, 21 March 2016 of Scrutiny : Learning and LAESCYP	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <p>The Minutes of the Learning and LAESCYP Scrutiny Committee held 21 March 2016 be accepted as a correct record.</p>
1343	Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 23 March 2016 of Licensing Committee	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <p>The Minutes of the Licensing Committee held 23 March 2016 be accepted as a correct record.</p>
1344	Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 23 March 2016 of Cabinet	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <p>The Minutes of the Cabinet Meeting held 23 March 2016 be accepted as a correct record.</p>
1345	Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 23 March 2016 of Full Council	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <p>The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held 23 March 2016 be accepted as a correct record.</p>
1346	Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 30 March 2016 of Licensing Committee	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <p>The Minutes of the Licensing Committee held 30 March 2016 be accepted as a correct record.</p>
1347	Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 30 March 2016 of Planning , Regulatory and Licensing Committee	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <p>The Minutes of the Planning, Regulatory and Licensing Committee held 30 March 2016 be accepted as a correct record.</p>

1348	Minutes of meeting Monday, 4 April 2016 of Rights of Way Committee	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <p>The Minutes of the Rights of Way Committee held 4 April 2016 be accepted as a correct record.</p>
1349	Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales (IRPW) Annual Report 2016-2017	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) The content of the Annual Report of the IRPW for 2016/2017 be noted</li> <li>(b) The roles of Civic Head and Deputy Civic Head continue to be paid at Level 3 within the approved range; as agreed at Full Council on 23 April 2014</li> <li>(c) As the Authority operates with a Cabinet of less than the statutory maximum, the role of each Executive Member should be paid at Band 2, Level 1 to reflect the range of portfolio responsibilities they hold</li> <li>(d) Each Committee Chair will be paid an equivalent level of remuneration and the salary will remain the same as 2015/2016</li> </ul>
1350	Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000	<p>Councillor P Williams referred to Paragraph 4.8 of the report and advised that the Policy was not available on the external Web site but was available on the Intranet.</p> <p><b>Resolved subject to the foregoing that:</b></p> <p>The Council's use of its powers under the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act for the period 1 April 2014 to the 31 March 2016 be noted.</p>
1351	MTCBC Change Programme - Projects Report 5	<p>Councillor D Roberts having Declared his Interest in this item left the Meeting for the consideration of this item.</p> <p>Councillor P Williams referred to the recommendations at Paragraph 2.2 of the report and referred to the recommendation of the Joint Scrutiny / Audit Committee regarding the exception of Green Bank Waste being deferred for a period of three months.</p> <p>Councillor P Williams then referred to a letter that had been received from the Older Persons Commissioner outlining that any proposals in relation to charges and services must be subject to an Equality Impact Assessment at a very early stage, even before discussion by Cabinet.</p> <p>Councillor Williams further advised that Scrutiny may wish to consider issues prior to Cabinet but that at this stage he was only advising the Council of the letter that had been received as work would be undertaken by the Officers prior to the visit of the Commissioner.</p> <p>Councillor Williams also referred to a Workshop that had been arranged for all Councillors on 11 May 2016 to cover both the Social Services and Wellbeing Act and the Future Generations Act.</p> <p><b>Resolved that:</b></p>

		<p>(a) The Cabinet recommended Income Management and Cost Recovery Policy attached as Appendix 1 of the report be approved</p> <p>(b) The Cabinet recommended additional income generation opportunities of £611,000, attached as Appendices 2 and 4 of the report be approved with the exception of Green Bulky Waste Collections to be deferred for a period of three months</p>
1352	MTCBC Change Programme - Projects Report 6	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <p>The Cabinet recommended budget reduction opportunities of £511,000 outlined in Appendix 1 of the report be approved.</p> <p>Councillor D Roberts did not vote on this item.</p>

### Chair

The Mayor Councillor D Isaac entered the Meeting and Councillor M Davies Deputy Mayor vacated the Chair for Councillor Isaac.

1353	No Side Waste Policy Enforcement Procedure and Removal of Discretionary Early Payment Discount	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <p>(a) The dispensation of the initial stage of enforcement as outlined in 7.1 of the report be approved and to adopt the method of issuing a red tag and a warning letter immediately evidence is gained be approved</p> <p>(b) The dispensation of the six month period to provide a quicker solution to issues mentioned in this report be approved</p> <p>(c) The removal of the early payment discount from Fixed Penalty Notices issued pursuant to Section 46 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 be approved</p> <p>(d) The implementation of the changes from 20 April 2016 be approved</p>
1354	Merthyr Tydfil Local Development Plan (2006-2021) Review Report	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <p>(a) The Merthyr Tydfil Local Development Plan (2006 – 2021) Review Report be approved</p> <p>(b) The Planning Division commence work on the preparation of a replacement Local Development Plan following the full revision procedure</p>
1355	To deal with any other urgent business or correspondence	The Mayor advised that there was no business deemed urgent.
1356	To receive communications from His Worship the Mayor	No Communications were received.