



MINUTES OF MEETING

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER, 2020

PRESENT: Councillors: M Colbran (Vice-Chair, in the Chair)

Councillors: A Barry, C J Barry, B Carter, D Chaplin, C Davies, L Davies, E Galsworthy, K Gibbs, D Hughes, D Isaac, S Jago, C T Jones, D Jones, H R Jones, M Jones, G Lewis, L Mytton, K O'Neill, G Richards, D Roberts, T Rogers, D Sammon, T Skinner, W R Smith, J Thomas, G Thomas, I Thomas, C Tovey and S Thomas

Officers:

C Kennedy (Head of Legal and Governance Services - Monitoring Officer), E Cooper (Interim Chief Executive), C Dinham (Communications, Consultation and Engagement Manager), L Curtis Jones (Chief Officer (Social Services)), S Jones (Head of Finance), S Walker (Chief Education Officer), F Donnelly (H R Manager), J Jones (Chief Officer Neighbourhood Services), G Morgan (Solicitor), Z Thomas (European & External Funding Support Officer), M Price (Revenue Officer) and Stephens (Cabinet Policy Officer)

M Morgan (Democratic Services Officer), M Edmunds (Democratic Services Officer), M Phillips (Democratic Services Officer) and A Taylor (Head of Democratic Services)

ITEM NO.	AGENDA MATTER	DECISION
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TEAMS Meeting

The Chair welcomed Members and Officers to the first Full Council Meeting held via TEAMS.

1	Apologies for absence	Apologies for absence were received from The Mayor Councillor H Barrett, Councillor J Amos and Councillor J Davies.
2	Declarations of Interest	Councillor M Colbran, Councillor C Davies, Councillor D Hughes, Councillor D Jones, Councillor G Richards, Councillor T Skinner, Councillor G Thomas and Councillor C Tovey Declared their Interest in Item Six – Non Domestic Rates – Retail, Leisure and Hospitality Rates Relief in Wales 2020-21.
3	Cleansing of Gullies	<p>Councillor G Lewis referred the Members in detail to the Notice of Motion in relation to Cleansing of Gullies and proposed an improvement to the Gully Sucking Maintenance Programme.</p> <p>In response to the Motion a Member advised that a full Business Case was being prepared and would be presented to the Full Council Meeting in October 2020.</p> <p>After further consideration and debate by the Members it was</p> <p>Resolved that:</p> <p>By the scheduled November 2020 Meeting of Full Council, a full Business Case be presented to Full Council that outlines the feasibility of Cleansing all 10,500 Gullies in the County Borough as and when necessary and at a minimum an annual basis. This Business Case should also include the cost to the Local Authority of purchasing or leasing Gully Sucking Vehicle(s). Full Council will then be in a position to make a decision on implementing improvements to the Gully Cleaning Maintenance Programme.</p>
4	Committee Cycle 2020-2021	<p>Resolved that:</p> <p>(a) The Committee Cycle for the remainder of the originally anticipated 2020/2021 Municipal year be approved</p> <p>(b) The provisional Committee Cycle for the 2021-2022 Municipal year be agreed, with final approval to be brought to the next Annual General Meeting in 2021</p>
5	Appointment to Committees and Representatives of Other Bodies 2020-2021	<p>Resolved that:</p> <p>(a) The position of Mayor and Deputy Mayor remain with the current Councillors until Annual General Meeting in May 2021</p> <p>(b) Appointments to Committees for the balance of the originally anticipated 2020-2021 Municipal year remain the same as 2019-2020</p> <p>(c) Representation on Outside Bodies and Champion Posts for the balance of the originally anticipated 2020-2021 Municipal year remain the same as 2019-2020</p>

		(d) Delegated authority be granted to the Political Leaders in the event of a vacancy to nominate representative(s) and to supply such agreed nomination to the Chief Executive
6	Non Domestic Rates - Retail, Leisure and Hospitality Rates Relief in Wales 2020-21	<p>Chair</p> <p>Councillor M Colbran having Declared his Interest in this item vacated the Chair.</p> <p>The Monitoring Officer advised the Councillors who had Declared their Interest in this item to turn off their Cameras and Microphones thereby removing themselves from the Meeting.</p> <p>The Monitoring Officer then referred the Members to the report.</p> <p>Resolved that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The implementation of the Non Domestic Rates – Retail, Leisure and Hospitality Rates Relief scheme in accordance with the rules described in this report be approved (b) Sections 47(1)(a) and S47(3) (discretionary relief) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 shall apply as regards the hereditaments described above in accordance with the rules described in relation to those hereditaments. It is reasonable for the Council to make this decision having regard to the interests of persons liable to pay Council Tax set by the Council
7	Cyfarthfa Heritage Area Special Purpose Vehicle	<p>Resolved that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The new Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) be named 'The Cyfarthfa Foundation' (b) The SPV's Memorandum and Articles of Association to enable the new SPV to be established and the Charitable Registration process to commence be approved (c) A bank account be opened for the new SPV and £5,000 be deposited in the bank account by the Council (d) The first Director(s) be appointed
8	Reconfiguration of Peripatetic Social Workers Posts to Peripatetic Support Workers - Children's Services	<p>Resolved that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The contents of the report be noted (b) The recruitment of 3 full time Peripatetic Support Workers to Children's Services for a 24 month period be approved (c) In 12 months an update to Council sharing the learning from the recruitment of the posts and new way of working be provided
9	Anti-Bullying Statutory Guidance for Schools	<p>Resolved that:</p>

		<p>(a) The contents of the report be noted and Councillors agree to promote the Guidance</p> <p>(b) An update be provided in a year's time detailing the impact of the marketing of this Guidance</p>
10	Delegated Decisions Made During Covid-19 Lockdown	<p>Resolved that:</p> <p>The report for Information be received.</p>
11	Work Experience Scheme First Year Evaluation Report	<p>Resolved that:</p> <p>The report for Information be received.</p>
12	To deal with any other urgent business or correspondence	The Chair advised that there was no business deemed urgent.
13	To receive communications received by Her/His Worship the Mayor	No Communication were received.
14	Exempt	<p>Resolved that:</p> <p>The public be excluded from the Meeting on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 12 and 13 under Part 4 of Schedule 12A Section 100 (A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972</p>
15	Extension to the Appointment of the Interim Head of Paid Service (Chief Executive) and the Interim Deputy Chief Executive	<p>Resolved that:</p> <p>(a) The extension of the appointment of Ellis Cooper as the Interim Head of Paid Service (Chief Executive) Designate with effect from the 12 September 2019 until the 12 September 2021 be approved</p> <p>(b) The appointment of Alyn Owen as the Interim Deputy Chief Executive on a secondment fixed term with effect from the 24 October 2019 be extended until the 24 October 2021 be approved</p>