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**MERTHYR TUDFUL**  
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County Borough Council

## MINUTES OF MEETING

# CABINET MEETING

**WEDNESDAY, 3RD FEBRUARY, 2021**

**PRESENT:** Councillors L Mytton (Chair)  
C Davies (Vice-Chair)

Councillors A Barry, D Hughes and G Thomas

### **Officers**

C Kennedy (Head of Legal and Governance Services - Monitoring Officer), E Cooper (Interim Chief Executive), A Owen (Interim Deputy Chief Executive), J Jones (Chief Officer Neighbourhood Services), S Walker (Chief Education Officer), L Curtis Jones (Chief Officer (Social Services)), F Donnelly (H R Manager), S Jones (Head of Finance), C Dinham (Communications, Consultation and Engagement Manager), A Mogford (Head of Corporate Services), G Edwards (Central Services Manager), T Hudd (Family Support) and A Stephens (Cabinet Policy Officer)

M Edmunds (Democratic Services Officer)

*In order to capture the presence of all attendees, including those experiencing technical difficulties, the attendance sheet created by Microsoft Teams has been published as a separate supplement alongside these minutes.*

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ITEM NO.	AGENDA MATTER	DECISION
351	Apologies for absence	No apologies for absence were received.
352	Declarations of Interest	Councillor Andrew Barry declared a personal interest in Item 5 (School Transport Contract Awards – Delegated Authority). Councillor Barry owns a contract taxi company and currently has a school contract.

353	Revenue Budget 2021/22	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The implications of the Provisional Local Government Settlement for 2021/22 outlined in Section 5 and Appendices 1 to 3 be noted and accepted.</li> <li>b) The net 'Additional Demands' of £623,000 outlined in Section 5 and Appendix 4 be recommended to Council for approval.</li> <li>c) The 'Capacity Exercise' proposals totalling £705,000 outlined in Section 5 and Appendix 5 be recommended to Council for approval.</li> <li>d) The 'Corporate Vacancy Factor' increase of £150,000 outlined in Section 5 be recommended to Council for approval.</li> <li>e) The release of £350,000 from 'Employee Severance Costs' outlined in Section 5 be recommended to Council for approval.</li> <li>f) The 'Service Efficiencies' of £1.041 million outlined in Section 5 and Appendix 6 be recommended to Council for approval.</li> </ul>
354	Valleys Taskforce Covid Recovery for Smaller Town Centres	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The award of funding for the Valleys Taskforce Covid Recovery for Smaller Town Centres is approved.</li> </ul>
355	School Transport Contract Awards – Delegated Authority	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The delegated authority to allow officer award as detailed in 3.5 of this report, to meet the timescales necessary for the award of home to school transport be approved.</li> </ul>
356	Any Other Business Deemed Urgent by the Chair	No other business deemed urgent by the Chair.