



MINUTES OF MEETING

FULL COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 3RD MARCH, 2021

PRESENT: Councillors H Barrett (Chair)
M Colbran (Vice-Chair)

Councillors J Amos, A Barry, B Carter, D Chaplin, C Davies, J 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, G Richards, D Roberts, T Rogers, D Sammon, T Skinner, W R Smith, J Thomas, G Thomas, I Thomas, S Thomas and C Tovey

Officers:

C Kennedy (Head of Legal and Governance Services - Monitoring Officer), A Owen (Interim Deputy Chief Executive), S Jones (Head of Finance), L Curtis Jones (Chief Officer (Social Services)), S Walker (Chief Education Officer), J Jones (Chief Officer Neighbourhood Services), C Dinham (Communications, Consultation and Engagement Manager), A Stephens (Cabinet Policy Officer), A Lewis (Chief Accountant), H Brown (Human Resources) and P Jones (Environmental Cleansing and Enforcement Manager)

M Morgan* (Democratic Services Officer) and K Reddy (Democratic Services Officer)

ITEM NO.	AGENDA MATTER	DECISION
462	Apologies for Absence	Apologies for absence were received from Councillor C Barry.
463	Declarations of Interest	Councillor I Thomas Declared his Interest in Item 3 – Budget Requirement and Council Tax 2021/22 – State of the Council Debate and Item 4 – Council Tax Resolution 2021/22 as he is a Member of the Bedlinog and Trelewis

		<p>Community Council and has Dispensation to speak and vote.</p> <p>Councillor S Jago Declared her Interest in Item 3 – Budget Requirement and Council Tax 2021/22 – State of the Council Debate and Item 4 – Council Tax Resolution 2021/22 as she is a Member of the Bedlinog and Trelewis Community Council and has Dispensation to speak and vote.</p>
464	Budget Requirement and Council Tax 2021/22 – State of the Council Debate	<p>Councillor L Mytton referred the Council to the ‘Budget Requirement and Council Tax 2021/22 – State of the Council Debate’ report.</p> <p>Councillor L Mytton Leader of the Council then addressed the Council and thanked all Members, Officers and Staff of the Authority for their continued support in such difficult times for delivering high performing services for the Citizens of Merthyr Tydfil County Borough.</p> <p>Councillor Mytton then moved recommendations 2.1 to 2.7 as contained within the report.</p> <p>Resolved that:</p> <p>2.1 The Council Tax increase of 3.55% for 2021/22 (‘Band D’ of £1,728.98) for the County Borough Council be approved.</p> <p>2.2 The Budget Requirement of £133.342 million for 2021/22 (net revenue budget) be approved.</p> <p>2.3 The core funded Capital Programme of £53.963 million for the period 2021/22 to 2024/25 be approved.</p> <p>2.4 The Medium Term Financial Plan 2021/22 to 2024/25 (including the Capital Strategy Report 2021/22 and Treasury Management Strategy Statement 2021/22) be approved.</p> <p>2.5 The Prudential Indicators contained within the Medium Term Financial Plan be approved with authorisation for managing and monitoring the authorised limit and operational boundary delegated to the Chief Finance Officer.</p> <p>2.6 The Minimum Revenue Provision Statement for 2021/22 as detailed in paragraph 8.4 be approved.</p> <p>2.7 The Chief Finance Officer’s comments relating to the robustness of the estimates and adequacy of reserves be noted</p> <p>Councillor T Skinner entered the Meeting at 5.13 pm.</p> <p>Councillor J Amos entered the Meeting at 5.24 pm.</p>

465	Council Tax Resolution 2021/22	<p>Resolved that:</p> <p>(a) The formal statutory Council Tax resolutions 2021/22 as outlined in Appendix 1, and summarised in paragraph 5.1, be noted and approved.</p> <p>(b) The Police and Crime Commissioner for South Wales approved precept for 2021/22 of £5,302,893 for the Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council area be noted.</p> <p>(c) The Bedlinog and Trelewis Community Council approved precept for 2021/22 of £23,250 for the Community Council area be noted.</p> <p>(d) The Welsh Government 2021/22 Non Domestic Rate for Wales of 53.5 pence in the £ be noted.</p>
466	Proposal to Prohibit Vehicular Access to Cefn Coed and Pant Cemeteries at Night	<p>Resolved that:</p> <p>The proposal to prohibit vehicle access to Cefn Coed and Pant Cemeteries at night be approved.</p>
467	Appointment and Amendment to the Structure of Cabinet	<p>Resolved that:</p> <p>The report for Information be received.</p>
468	To deal with any other urgent business or correspondence	<p>The Mayor advised that there was no business deemed urgent.</p>
469	To receive communications from Her/His Worship the Mayor	<p>No Communications were received from His Worship the Mayor.</p>