



MERTHYR TYDFIL
County Borough Council
Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol
MERTHYR TUDFUL

MINUTES OF MEETING

CABINET MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 11TH FEBRUARY, 2015

PRESENT: Councillor B Toomey (In the Chair)

Councillors P Williams, C J Barry, B Carter, D Jones, H R Jones and L A Matthews

Officers

Gareth Chapman (Chief Executive), Ellis Cooper (Corporate Director of Customer Services), Carys Kennedy (Head of Legal and Democratic Services), Phil Hodgson (Interim Statutory Director of Social Services), Steve Jones (Chief Finance Officer), Alyn Owen (Head of Economic Development and European Funding), Gary Thomas (Transformation Change Manager), Ian Benbow (Head of Adult Social Regeneration and Development) and Andrew Mogford (Strategic Business Analyst)

Outside Bodies:

Gareth Williams (Chair of Recovery Board)

Mair Morgan (Scrutiny / Democratic Services Officer)

ITEM NO.	AGENDA MATTER	DECISION
1017	Apologies for absence	No apologies for absence were received as all Members were present.
1018	Declarations of Interest	Councillor B Toomey Declared his Interest in Item 11 – Football Ground, Penydarren Park, Merthyr Tydfil as his son is an employee of Merthyr Town Football Club. Councillor B Carter Declared his Interest in Item 11 – Football Ground, Penydarren Park, Merthyr Tydfil as he is

		<p>an employee of Merthyr Town Football Club.</p> <p>Councillor C Barry Declared his Interest in Item 11 – Football Ground, Penydarren Park, Merthyr Tydfil as he is a supporter of Merthyr Town Football Club.</p>
1019	Budget Requirement 2015/16 to 2017/18 - Further Update	<p>Resolved that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The receipt from the Welsh Government of a Capitalisation Direction of £888,000 for 2015/16 be noted (b) The impact of budget savings ‘slippage’ resulting from the budget proposals consultation process of an estimated £934,000 be noted (c) The requirement for engagement and consultation in respect of changes to Employee Terms and Conditions be considered (d) The potential requirement for further service reductions over and above those already agreed be not considered at this time (e) A Council Tax levy of 4.5% for the 2015/16 financial year be recommended to Council of 25th February 2015 for approval
1020	Capital Monitoring Report 2014/15 for the Period Ended 31st December 2014	<p>Resolved that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) This Capital Monitoring Report for 2014/15 be accepted (b) The re-profiling of the Structures Schemes as per paragraph 2.1.3 to 2.1.5 of the report requiring a carry forward of funding into the 2015/16 financial year be approved (c) The re-profiling of the Physical Regeneration Schemes as per paragraph 2.1.6 requiring a carry forward of funding into the 2015/16 financial year be approved (d) Officers continue to monitor budgets to ensure that expenditure remains within approved budgets
1021	Revenue Monitoring Report 2014/15 for the Period Ended 31st December 2014	<p>Resolved that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The third Revenue Monitoring report for the 2014/15 financial year be accepted (b) Managers to urgently address projected budget deficits within their respective service areas, identifying all possible remedial measures to offset projected deficits (c) Managers to implement and monitor recovery plan actions within their respective service areas (d) Managers to continue to monitor all revenue budgets and immediately notify the Chief Finance Officer of potential financial difficulties (e) The actions of the Budget Board be noted (f) The continuing moratorium on all non-essential revenue expenditure be noted
1022	Transformation	The Committee were advised that under Paragraph 3.4 of

	Programme - Quarter Three Progress	the report it should read 'oversee' and not 'deliver'. Resolved subject to the foregoing that: The content of the report be noted.
1023	Social Housing Grant 2014-17 - Revised Financial Profile	Resolved that: The revised 2014/17 Social Housing Grant Programme for Merthyr Tydfil County Borough be approved.
1024	Dowlais Community Centre	A Member referred to the recommendation at Paragraph 6.1 of the report and recommended an addition to the recommendation. Resolved subject to the foregoing that: The way forward outlined in section 2.3.1 of the report be approved should the current application not be completed.
1025	Early Years - Pre School Strategy	Councillor P Williams left the Meeting at 4.25 pm and returned at 4.27 pm. Resolved that: (a) The Early Years Pre School Strategy be agreed (b) The partnership approach be maintained to oversee the implementation and a further report on the successes and key issues arising from the strategy to further develop the future pre-school agenda be received.
1026	Naming of the new Residential Care Homes for Older People	Resolved that: The report be received.

CLOSED SESSION

Exempt

Resolved that:

The public be excluded from the Meeting on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 14 and 16 under Part 4 of Schedule 12A of Section 100 (A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

Chair

Councillor P Williams took the Chair for the following item as Councillor B Toomey Declared his Interest in the Item.

1027	Football Ground, Penydarren Park, Merthyr Tydfil	<p>Councillor B Toomey, Councillor C Barry and Councillor B Carter having Declared their Interest in this item left the Meeting for the consideration of this item only.</p> <p>The Committee were advised of an amended recommendation at Paragraph 6.1 of the report.</p> <p>Resolved that:</p> <p>The amended recommendation be accepted.</p>
1028	Service Level Agreement Review 2014-15 - Progress Update	<p>Resolved that:</p> <p>The recommendations as contained within the report be accepted.</p>

RE-OPENED SESSION

1029	Any Other Business Deemed Urgent by the Chair	The Chair advised that there was no business deemed urgent.
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