



MERTHYR TYDFIL
County Borough Council
Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol
MERTHYR TUDFUL

MINUTES OF MEETING

JOINT NEGOTIATING AND CONSULTATIVE GROUP MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 25TH FEBRUARY, 2015

PRESENT: Councillor P Williams (In the Chair)

Councillors A Jones, D Jones, K Moran,

Mike Crimmings and Mike Colley (Unison)
Kevin Jones and Yvonne Healy (GMB)
Clare Gibbs (Unite)

Councillor L Matthew (Transformational Change Cabinet Member)

Officers: Gareth Chapman (Chief Executive), Gary Thomas (Transformation Change Manager), Lisa Jones (Interim HR Manager), Steve Jones (Chief Finance Officer) and Ceri Dinham (Senior Communications Officer)

Mair Morgan (Scrutiny / Democratic Services Officer)

ITEM NO.	AGENDA MATTER	DECISION
1058	Apologies for absence	No Apologies for absence were received.
1059	Declarations of Interest	No Declarations of Interest were made.
1060	Budget 2015/16	Steve Jones Chief Finance Officer outlined in detail to the Committee the Council Tax and Budget Requirement for

		<p>2015/2016 and gave details of the proposed Council Tax increase, the Capitalisation Direction and the funding gaps going forward.</p> <p>Questions were then raised by the Trade Union representatives and were responded to in detail by the Chief Executive and the Chief Finance Officer.</p>
1061	Budget Requirement 2015/16 / 2017/18 - Employee Proposals	<p>A Trade Union representative referred to the questionnaire that had been sent to staff and the letter that had been sent to Councillors.</p> <p>The Chief Executive then responded in detail to the issues raised by the Trade Unions.</p> <p>Resolved that:</p> <p>The comments from the Chief Executive and the Trade Unions be heard and noted.</p>
1062	Corporate Management Restructure	<p>The Chief Executive updated the Committee on the current situation in relation to the Corporate Management Structure and responded to questions raised by the Trade Unions.</p>
1063	Transformation Programme - Quarter 3 Progress	<p>Councillor L Matthew Cabinet Member for Transformational Change referred the Committee to the Transformation Programme – Quarter Three Progress report that had been considered at the Cabinet Meeting held 11 February 2015 and updated the Committee in relation to savings and the status of projects.</p> <p>Questions were then raised by the Trade Unions and were answered by Councillor Matthews, the Chief Executive and the Transformation Change Manager.</p>
1064	Any other Business as deemed urgent by the Chair	<p>The Chair advised that there were no items deemed urgent.</p>