



MERTHYR TYDFIL  
County Borough Council  
Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol  
MERTHYR TUDFUL

## MINUTES OF MEETING

# FULL COUNCIL MEETING

**WEDNESDAY, 22ND APRIL, 2015**

**PRESENT:** Councillor B E Mansbridge (In the Chair)

Councillors H Barrett, C J Barry, S P Brown, B Carter, D Davies, M Davies, E Galsworthy, D Isaac, A Jones, C T Jones, D Jones, G Jones, H R Jones, G Lewis, T Lewis, L A Matthews, J McCarthy, K Moran, L Mytton, D Roberts, L E Smart, W R Smith, Raymond Thomas, Richard Thomas, B Toomey and C Tovey

**Officers:**

Gareth Chapman (Chief Executive), Carys Kennedy (Head of Legal and Governance Services - Monitoring Officer), Ellis Cooper (Corporate Director (Place and Transformation) - Deputy Chief Executive), Lorraine Buck (Corporate Director (People and Performance) - Lead Director for Children and Young People), Lisa Curtis Jones (Chief Officer (Social Services)), Steve Jones (Head of Finance - Chief Finance Officer), Lisa Jones (Head of Human Resources and Organisational Development), Mark Thomas (Head of Corporate Services), Dorothy Haines (Chief Officer (Learning) - Chief Education Officer), Cheryllee Evans (Chief Officer (Neighbourhood Services)), Ceri Dinham (Senior Communications Officer) and Beth Melhuish (Corporate Communications)

Mair Morgan (Scrutiny / Democratic Services Officer) and Jayne Overbury (PA to the Mayor)

ITEM NO.	AGENDA MATTER	DECISION
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1296	Apologies for Absence	Apologies for absence were received from Councillor T Chaplin, Councillor P Williams and Councillor S Williams.
1297	Declarations of Interest	No Declarations of Interest were made.
1298	Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 11 March 2015 of Full Council	<b>Resolved that:</b> The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held 11 March 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
1299	Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 17 March 2015 of Cabinet	<b>Resolved that:</b> The Minutes of the Cabinet Meeting held 17 March 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
1300	Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 17 March 2015 of Audit Committee	<b>Resolved that:</b> The Minutes of the Audit Committee held 17 March 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
1301	Minutes of meeting Thursday, 19 March 2015 of Licensing Committee	<b>Resolved that:</b> The Minutes of the Licensing Committee held 19 March 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
1302	Minutes of meeting Monday, 23 March 2015 of Scrutiny : Schools	<b>Resolved that:</b> The Minutes of the Schools Scrutiny Committee held 23 March 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
1303	Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 24 March 2015 of Scrutiny : Social Services & Social Regeneration	<b>Resolved that:</b> The Minutes of the Social Services and Social Regeneration Scrutiny Committee held 24 March 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
1304	Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 25 March 2015 of Cabinet	<b>Resolved that:</b> The Minutes of the Cabinet Meeting held 25 March 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
1305	Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 25 March 2015 of Full Council	<b>Resolved that:</b> The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held 25 March 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
1306	Minutes of meeting Monday, 30 March 2015 of Scrutiny : Customer Services	<b>Resolved that:</b> The Minutes of the Customer Services Scrutiny Committee held 30 March 2015 be accepted as a correct record.
1307	Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 31 March 2015 of Scrutiny : Chief Executive (inc. Crime and Disorder)	<b>Resolved that:</b> The Minutes of the Chief Executive's Scrutiny Committee held 31 March 2015 be accepted as a correct record.

1308	Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 1 April 2015 of Licensing Committee	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <p>The Minutes of the Licensing Committee held 1 April 2015 be accepted as a correct record.</p>
1309	Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 1 April 2015 of Planning, Regulatory and Licensing Committee	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <p>The Minutes of the Planning, Regulatory and Licensing Committee held 1 April 2015 be accepted as a correct record.</p>
1310	Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 1 April 2015 of Full Council	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <p>The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held 1 April 2015 be accepted as a correct record.</p>
1311	Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 8 April 2015 of Cabinet	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <p>The Minutes of the Cabinet Meeting held 8 April 2015 be accepted as a correct record.</p>
1312	Organisational Structure 2015	<p>A Member advised that under Paragraph 2.0 the Head of Legal and Democratic Services – Monitoring Officer should read Head of Legal and Governance Services – Monitoring Officer.</p> <p><b>Resolved subject to the foregoing that:</b></p> <p>Progress implementing the Organisational Structure be noted.</p>
1313	Shared Parental Leave Scheme	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <p>The Shared Parental Leave Scheme be approved with immediate effect.</p>
1314	Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council's Response to the Welsh Government's White Paper 'Reforming Local Government Power to Local People'	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <p>The response to the Welsh Government's White Paper – 'Reforming Local Government: Power to Local People' as provided in Appendix 1 to this report be approved.</p>
1315	Petition received	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <p>The Petition received be noted.</p>
1316	Nursery Education Proposal to Fund all Nursery Places Part-Time from September 2015	<p>A Member advised that under Paragraph 4.1 it should read 3.1 – 3.5 and not 4.1 – 4.5.</p> <p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) The decisions of 28<sup>th</sup> January 2015 and 11<sup>th</sup> March 2015 with respect to Nursery Education be revoked</li> <li>(b) The reissuing of schools' formula allocations 2015/16 calculated based on the scheme of delegation prior to these decisions of 28<sup>th</sup> January</li> </ul>

		<p>and 11<sup>th</sup> March i.e funding for full-time nursery places will be provided up to the 1979/80 FTE limit be approved</p> <p>(c) A future report be brought to Council detailing the next steps with respect to the provision of nursery education in the County Borough</p>
1317	To deal with any other urgent business or correspondence	The Mayor referred to the additional item – Statutory Holidays 2015 -16.
1318	Statutory Holidays	<p><b>Resolved that:</b></p> <p>(a) The Statutory days within the table at 2.5 of the report for 2015 -16 be approved</p> <p>(b) The 'carry forward' of two of the Statutory days for 2016-17 to cover Good Friday and Easter Monday be approved</p>
1319	To receive communications from His Worship the Mayor	No Communications were received.