



MERTHYR TYDFIL
County Borough Council
Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol
MERTHYR TUDFUL

MINUTES OF MEETING

CABINET MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER, 2015

PRESENT: Councillor B Toomey (In the Chair)

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

Officers

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), Steve Jones (Head of Finance - Chief Finance Officer), Lisa Curtis Jones (Chief Officer (Social Services)), Dorothy Haines (Chief Officer (Learning) - Chief Education Officer), Alyn Owen (Chief Officer (Community Regeneration)), Cheryllee Evans (Chief Officer (Neighbourhood Services)), Lisa Jones (Head of Human Resources and Organisational Development), Annabel Lloyd (Head of Children's Services), Mike Parry (Revenues Manager) and Beth Melhuish (Corporate Communications)

Mair Morgan (Scrutiny / Democratic Services Officer)

ITEM NO.	AGENDA MATTER	DECISION
680	Apologies for absence	No apologies for absence were received as all Members were present.
681	Declarations of Interest	No Declarations of Interest were made.
682	Capital Monitoring	Resolved that:

	Report 2015/16 - Quarter 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) This Capital Monitoring Report for 2015/16 be noted (b) The variances to the budget per paragraph 4.1.2 of the report be noted (c) The amendments to the budget per paragraph 4.1.3 of the report be approved (d) Officers continue to monitor budgets to ensure that expenditure remains within approved budgets
683	Revenue Budget Monitoring 2015/16 - Quarter 2	<p>Resolved that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The second Revenue Budget Monitoring report for the 2015/16 financial year be accepted (b) Budget Virements outlined in Appendix 2 of the report be approved (c) A transfer of £700,000 to earmarked reserves to assist with the cost of anticipated employee severance costs be approved (d) Managers to urgently address projected budget deficits within their respective service areas, identifying all possible remedial measures to offset projected deficits (e) Managers to continue to monitor all revenue budgets and immediately notify the Chief Finance Officer of potential financial difficulties
684	Shared Vacancy Management Protocol Between Merthyr Tydfil and Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Councils	<p>Resolved that:</p> <p>The content of the report was discussed and noted.</p>
685	Improving the Quality and Performance of Local Authority Education Services for Children and Young People	<p>Councillor H R Jones advised that Paragraph 3.2 of the report be deleted and Recommendation 7 be inserted.</p> <p>Resolved subject to the foregoing that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The content of the report be noted and Cabinet agreed that the judgement about the recommendation in 5.1 of the report is accurate (b) The key next steps (actions for 2015/16) be implemented (c) A further report be provided in six months highlighting progress implementing the actions
686	Revision to Purchase Card Programme	<p>Resolved that:</p> <p>The revision of the Purchase Card Programme be approved.</p>
687	Children with Disabilities - Eligibility Criteria	<p>Councillor L A Matthews advised that in Appendix 1 Paragraph 4 – Level of Need – Medium, that the last bullet point in the box be deleted.</p> <p>Resolved subject to the forgoing that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The contents of the report be noted

		(b) The eligibility criteria be accepted (c) When the eligibility criteria are revised in the light of the Social Services and Wellbeing Act (Wales) 2014 a Full Council report be prepared
688	Looked After Children Data	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 12, 14 and 16 under Part 4 of Schedule 12A of Section 100 (A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

689	Merthyr Tydfil Open Air Town Centre Market - Street Trading Consent	Resolved that: The report be received.
690	Land at Dynevor Street, Georgetown, Merthyr Tydfil	Resolved that: The recommendation as contained within the report be accepted.
691	Sundry Debt Write Off Report	Resolved that: The write offs as identified in Appendices 1, 2, 3 and 4 of the report be approved.

RE-OPENED SESSION

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