



MINUTES OF MEETING

FULL COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 21ST APRIL, 2021

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

Councillors J Amos, A Barry, C J Barry, B Carter, D Chaplin, C 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), E Cooper (Interim Chief Executive), S Jones (Head of Finance), L Curtis Jones (Chief Officer (Social Services)), S Walker (Chief Education Officer), A Owen (Interim Deputy Chief Executive), A Mogford (Head of Corporate Services), F Donnelly (H R Manager), C Dinham (Communications, Consultation and Engagement Manager), J Edwards (Library) and A Stephens (Cabinet Policy Officer)

Outside Bodies:

S Byrne (Audit Wales), H Goddard (Audit Wales) and I Phillips (Audit Wales)

M Morgan (Democratic Services Officer)

ITEM NO.	AGENDA MATTER	DECISION
559	Apologies for Absence	Apologies for absence were received from Councillor J Davies.
560	Declarations of Interest	Councillor G Lewis Declared his Interest in Item 6 – Petition

		Received by the Authority as he owns a property in the street referred to in the report.
561	Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)	The Council approves as accurate (subject to any amendments) the Minutes of the following Meetings:
561a	Full Council: 24/03/2021	Resolved that: The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held 24 March 2021 be accepted as a correct record.
561b	Cabinet: 24/03/2021	Resolved that: The Minutes of the Cabinet Meeting held 24 March 2021 be accepted as a correct record.
561c	Scrutiny : Governance, Performance, Business Change and Corporate Services: 23/03/2021	Resolved that: The Minutes of the Governance, Performance, Business Change and Corporate Services Scrutiny Committee held 23 March 2021 be accepted as a correct record.
561d	Scrutiny : Learning and LGES: 15/03/2021	Resolved that: The Minutes of the Learning and LGES Scrutiny Committee held 15 March 2021 be accepted as a correct record.
561e	Standards: 19/03/2021	Resolved that: The Minutes of the Standards Committee held 19 March 2021 be accepted as a correct record.
562	Audit Wales - Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council – Assessment of Progress to Address Key Concerns	<p>The Mayor welcomed Sara-Jane Byrne, Helen Goddard and Ian Phillips (Audit Wales) to the Meeting.</p> <p>Councillor L Mytton referred the Council to the ‘Audit Wales – Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council – Assessment of Progress to Address Key Concerns’ report and moved the recommendations as contained within the report.</p> <p>Sara-Jane Byrne then gave an overview of the findings and led the Council through recommendations one to ten as detailed in the report.</p> <p>Questions were then raised by the Members on the report and were responded to in detail by the Officers and Audit Wales.</p> <p>Resolved that:</p> <p>The findings and recommendations in the ‘Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council – Assessment of Progress to Address Key Concerns’ be noted.</p>
563	Statement of Well-being and Focus on the Future: Well-being in our Community	Councillor L Mytton referred the Council to the ‘Statement of Well-being and Focus on the Future: Well-being on our Community’ report and moved the recommendation as contained within the report.

		<p>Resolved that:</p> <p>The 'Statement of Well-being' and 'Focus on the Future: Well-being in our Community' Documents be approved.</p>
564	Petition Received by the Authority	<p>Resolved that:</p> <p>The report for Information be received.</p>
565	Report Of Standards Committee Determination	<p>Resolved that:</p> <p>The report for Information be received.</p>
566	To deal with any other urgent business or correspondence	<p>Term of Office</p> <p>Councillor L Mytton referred to this being the last Council Meeting of the Mayor Councillor H Barrett and expressed her thanks and appreciation to Councillor H Barrett for all his work as Mayor and Chair of Council.</p> <p>These sentiments were also endorsed by Members.</p> <p>Councillor H Barrett then thanked the Members and stated that it had been an honour to represent the Council and Merthyr Tydfil and wished the incoming Mayor all the best.</p>
567	To receive communications from Her/His Worship the Mayor	<p>No Communications were received from His Worship the Mayor.</p>