

COUNTY BOROUGH OF BLAENAU GWENT

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| REPORT TO: | <u>THE PRESIDING MEMBER AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL</u> |
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| SUBJECT: | <u>ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL – 25TH MAY, 2023</u> |
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| REPORT OF: | <u>DEMOCRATIC OFFICER</u> |

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR C. SMITH (PRESIDING MEMBER, CHAIRING)

Councillors C. Bainton
P. Baldwin
S. Behr
D. Bevan
M. Cross
H. Cunningham
D. Davies
M. Day
S. Edmunds
J. Gardner
J. Hill
W. Hodgins
J. Holt
G. Humphreys
R. Leadbeater
E. Jones
J. C. Morgan
J. P. Morgan
L. Parsons
D. Rowberry
T. Smith
J. Thomas
S. Thomas
H. Trollope
J. Wilkins
D. Wilkshire
L. Winnett
D. Woods

AND:

- Interim Chief Executive
- Corporate Director of Regeneration & Community Services
- Chief Officer Resources
- Chief Officer Commercial & Customer
- Head of Adult Services
- Head of Legal & Corporate Compliance
- Head of Democratic Services, Governance & Partnerships
- Head of Organisational Development
- Head of School Improvement & Inclusion
- Service Manager – Performance & Democratic
- Press & Publicity Officer

| <u>ITEM</u> | <u>SUBJECT</u> | <u>ACTION</u> |
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| 1. | <p><u>SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION</u></p> <p>It was noted that no requests had been received for the simultaneous translation service.</p> | |
| 2. | <p><u>APOLOGIES</u></p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from:</p> <p>Councillors K. Chaplin, G. A. Davies, J. Morgan, J.P., G. Thomas, Corporate Director of Education and Interim Corporate Director of Social Services.</p> | |
| 3. | <p><u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS</u></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest or dispensations reported.</p> | |

4.

PRESIDING MEMBER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Condolences

Condolences were expressed to the family of Trevor Jones, MBE fondly known as 'Trevor the Milk' a local legend in Tredegar who had sadly passed away.

Members and officers paid their respects with a minute's silence.

Congratulations

Congratulations were expressed to:

- All players, staff and supporters of Abertillery Blaenau Gwent RFC on winning the National Division 3 Cup at the Principality Stadium on 8th April, 2023. This meant that Abertillery Blaenau Gwent RFC was the best Division 3 Team in the whole of Wales, such a fantastic achievement.

The Club dedicated the game to the memory of former player and previous Chairman, Roger Clark, who passed away suddenly after watching them win the game that took them to the final.

- Abbi Meyrick who had been selected to play for Wales's women under 18's rugby team.

5.

PRESIDING MEMBER AND DEPUTY PRESIDING MEMBER

It was proposed and seconded that Councillor C. Smith be re-elected Presiding Member of the Council and that Councillor D. Wilkshire be appointed Deputy Presiding Member of the Council for the ensuing year.

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| | <p>Upon a vote being taken it was unanimously, RESOLVED accordingly.</p> | |
| <p>6.</p> | <p><u>LEADER AND DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL</u></p> <p>It was proposed and seconded that Councillor S. Thomas be re-elected Leader of the Council and that Councillor H. Cunningham be elected Deputy Leader for the ensuing year.</p> <p>Upon a vote being taken it was unanimously, RESOLVED accordingly.</p> | |
| <p>7.</p> | <p><u>GROUP OFFICERS</u></p> <p>The Labour Group Officers for the ensuing year were reported as follows:</p> <p>Councillor S. Thomas – Leader Councillor H. Cunningham – Deputy Leader Councillor T. Smith – Secretary Councillor C. Smith – Group Chair Councillor D. Wilkshire – Group Vice-Chair Councillor P. Baldwin – Treasurer</p> <p>It was reported that the Independent Group Officers for the ensuing year would be:</p> <p>Councillor J. Wilkins - Leader Councillor W. Hodgins - Deputy Leader Councillor J. Holt – Secretary</p> | |

8.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE CABINET

Upon a vote being taken it was unanimously RESOLVED that the following be appointed:

Leader of the Council/Cabinet Member - Corporate Overview & Performance

Councillor S. Thomas

Deputy Leader of the Council/Cabinet Member – Place & Environment

Councillor H. Cunningham

Cabinet Member – Place & Regeneration and Economic Development

Councillor J. C. Morgan

Cabinet Member – People & Social Services

Councillor H. Trollope

Cabinet Member – People & Education

Councillor S. Edmunds

9.

CHAIR, VICE-CHAIR AND MEMBERSHIP OF SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

It was proposed and seconded that the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair be held by the following and upon a vote being taken this was unanimously RESOLVED:

People Scrutiny Committee

Chair Councillor T. Smith

Vice-Chair Councillor J. Morgan, J.P.

Place Scrutiny Committee

Chair Councillor M. Cross

Vice-Chair Councillor R. Leadbeater

Partnerships Scrutiny Committee

Chair Councillor W. Hodgins

Vice-Chair Councillor D. Bevan

Corporate & Performance Scrutiny Committee

Chair Councillor J. Wilkins

Vice-Chair Councillor J. Thomas

FURTHER RESOLVED that the following be appointed:

People Scrutiny Committee

9 Members – Proportionality 6:3

1. Chair - Councillor T. Smith
2. Vice Chair - Councillor J. Morgan, J.P.
3. Councillors C. Bainton
4. D. Bevan
5. J. Gardner
6. G. Humphreys
7. J. P. Morgan
8. G. Thomas
9. D. Wilkshire

Would also include 2 Members of religious bodies and between 2-5 parent governors with voting rights only when dealing with education matters.

1. Mr. T. Baxter Diocesan Education Body
(R.C. Church)
 2. Mr. T. Pritchard (Church in Wales)
 3. **Vacancy** Youth Forum Representative
(without voting rights)
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Place Scrutiny Committee

9 Members – Proportionality 6:3

1. Chair - Councillor M. Cross
2. Vice Chair - Councillor R. Leadbeater
3. Councillors S. Behr
4. K. Chaplin
5. G. Davies
6. J. Gardner
7. W. Hodgins
8. L. Parsons
9. D. Rowberry

Partnerships Scrutiny Committee

9 Members – Proportionality 6:3

1. Chair - Councillor W. Hodgins
 2. Vice Chair - Councillor D. Bevan
 3. Councillors P. Baldwin
 4. D. Davies
 5. M. Day
 6. E. Jones
 7. C. Smith
 8. L. Winnett
 9. D. Woods
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| | <p><u>Corporate & Performance Scrutiny Committee – 9 Members – Proportionality 6:3</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Chair - Councillor J. Wilkins 2. Vice Chair - Councillor J. Thomas 3. Councillors C. Bainton 4. J. Hill 5. J. Holt 6. E. Jones 7. R. Leadbeater 8. C. Smith 9. T. Smith | |
| <p>10.</p> | <p><u>STANDING COMMITTEES AND STANDING SUB-COMMITTEES</u></p> <p>The Leader of the Council notified Members that following consultation with both Groups (& respective Leaderships) an amendment to the composition of the Planning Committee for the 2023/24 cycle was proposed as follows:-</p> <p>Planning Committee would comprise of 14 Members - 1 Member per ward providing greater and fairer representation across all areas of the borough on a proportionality basis of 9 Labour Members and 5 Independent Members.</p> <p>An additional change for the Committee would be that, further to best practice currently in operation in other local authorities and to aid in the mitigation of non-declaration of interests, the Committee would adopt the following principle – <i>‘if a planning application was received in a particular ward and that application was to be decided at Planning Committee, the Member representing that</i></p> | |

ward on the Committee was permitted to speak on the application but not have a vote on it'.

It was proposed that these amendments be trialled for a period of 6 months (and included in other changes to the Constitution later in the year, if agreed).

The above proposal was unanimously RESOLVED ACCORDINGLY.

FURTHER RESOLVED, subject to the foregoing, that the following be appointed:

Planning Committee

14 Members – Proportionality 9:5

1 Member from each Ward on a political proportionality basis.

1. Chair - Councillor L. Winnett
2. Vice Chair - Councillor P. Baldwin
3. Councillors C. Bainton
4. M. Day
5. W. Hodgins
6. J. Holt
7. G. Humphreys
8. E. Jones
9. J. Morgan, J.P.
10. L. Parsons
11. D. Rowberry
12. C. Smith
13. J. Thomas

14. D. Wilkshire

****Ward Members to be invited re planning site meetings without voting rights.***

General Licensing Committee
11 Members – Proportionality 7:4

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|-----|--------------|-----------------------|
| 1. | Chair - | Councillor L. Winnett |
| 2. | Vice Chair - | Councillor P. Baldwin |
| 3. | Councillors | S. Behr |
| 4. | | M. Cross |
| 5. | | G. Davies |
| 6. | | J. Gardner |
| 7. | | J. Hill |
| 8. | | G. Humphreys |
| 9. | | D. Rowberry |
| 10. | | G. Thomas |
| 11. | | D. Woods |

General Licensing Sub-Committee (Rolling Rota)
3 Members – (No Proportionality)

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|----|------------|-----------------------|
| 1. | Chair | Councillor L. Winnett |
| | or | |
| | Vice Chair | Councillor P. Baldwin |

Plus 2 other Members of the General Licensing Committee

Statutory Licensing Committee
11 Members – Proportionality 7:4

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| 1. | Chair - | Councillor L. Winnett |
| 2. | Vice Chair - | Councillor P. Baldwin |
| 3. | Councillors | S. Behr |
| 4. | | M. Cross |
| 5. | | G. Davies |
| 6. | | J. Gardner |
| 7. | | J. Hill |
| 8. | | G. Humphreys |
| 9. | | D. Rowberry |
| 10. | | G. Thomas |
| 11. | | D. Woods |

Statutory Licensing Sub-Committee (Rolling Rota)
3 Members – (No Proportionality)

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| 1. | Chair | Councillor L. Winnett |
| | <i>or</i> | |
| 2. | Vice Chair | Councillor P. Baldwin |

Plus 2 other Members of the Statutory Licensing Committee

Democratic Services Committee

9 Members - Proportionality 6:3

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| 1. | Chair | Councillor J. Hill |
| 2. | Vice Chair - | Councillor E. Jones |
| 3. | Cabinet Member - | Councillor J.C. Morgan |
| 4. | Councillors | C. Bainton |
| 5. | | D. Bevan |
| 6. | | G. Davies |
| 7. | | L. Parsons |
| 8. | | C. Smith |
| 9. | | L. Winnett |

**** Chair and Vice Chair of Scrutiny Committees to be invited without voting rights.***

Governance & Audit Committee

9 Members – Proportionality 4:2 plus 3 Lay Members

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| | Chair | Lay Member – To be confirmed |
| 1. | Vice Chair - | Councillor S. Behr |
| 2. | Councillors | D. Bevan |
| 3. | | K. Chaplin |
| 4. | | W. Hodgins |
| 5. | | C. Smith |
| 6. | | J. Wilkins |
| 7. | Lay Member - | Mrs. J. Absalom |
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8. Lay Member – Mr. M. Veale

9. Lay Member - **Vacancy**

Governance & Audit Committee Appointments Panel

3:2

1. Councillor S. Behr

2. Councillor K. Chaplin

3. Councillor C. Smith

4. Councillor W. Hodgins

5. Councillor J. Wilkins

Ethics & Standards Committee - 9 Members –
(3 County Borough Councillors/5 External Members/
1 Community Council Member)

1. Town Councillor – **Vacancy**

2. Mr. R. Lynch

3. Mr. Stephen Williams

4. Mr. R. Alexander

5. Mrs Sarah Rosser

6. Miss J. White

7. Councillor M. Cross

8. Councillor J. Thomas

9. Councillor L. Winnett

Longlisting/Shortlisting – JNC Officers
7 Members – Proportionality 5:2

1. Leader or Deputy Leader
2. Cabinet Member for appropriate Portfolio
3. Chair of appropriate Scrutiny Committee
4. Vice-Chair of appropriate Scrutiny Committee
5. Councillor S. Behr
6. Councillor J. Hill
7. Councillor G. Thomas

Substitutes

1. Councillor P. Baldwin
2. Councillor D. Bevan
3. Councillor J. Thomas
4. Councillor L. Winnett

Appointments Committee – JNC Officers
7 Members – Proportionality 5:2

1. Chair – Leader or Deputy Leader
2. Cabinet Member for appropriate Portfolio
3. Chair of appropriate Scrutiny Committee
4. Vice- Chair of appropriate Scrutiny Committee
5. Councillors S. Behr
6. J. Hill
7. G. Thomas

***N.B. Appointments to be made by group leader as required. Cabinet Member of Appropriate Portfolio(s)
Scrutiny Chair of Appropriate Portfolio(s)***

Substitutes

1. Councillor P. Baldwin
2. Councillor D. Bevan
3. Councillor J. Thomas
4. Councillor L. Winnett

Longlisting/Shortlisting – Managing Director/Chief Executive - 7 Members – Proportionality 5:2

1. Leader of the Council
2. Deputy Leader of the Council
3. Leader of the Largest Opposition Group
4. Deputy Leader of the Largest Opposition Group
5. Councillor S. Behr
6. Councillor C. Smith
7. Councillor T. Smith

Officer additions if appropriate

Substitutes

1. Councillor P. Baldwin
 2. Councillor D. Bevan
 3. Councillor J. Thomas
 4. Councillor L. Winnett
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Appointments Committee –
Managing Director/ Chief Executive - 7 Members –
Proportionality 5:2

1. Chair Leader
2. Vice-Chair Deputy Leader
3. Leader of the Largest Opposition Group
4. Deputy Leader of the Largest Opposition Group
5. Councillor S. Behr
6. Councillor C. Smith
7. Councillor T. Smith

N.B. Appointments to be made by group leader as required. Cabinet Member of Appropriate Portfolio(s), Scrutiny Chair of Appropriate Portfolio(s)

Substitutes

1. Councillor P. Baldwin
2. Councillor D. Bevan
3. Councillor J. Thomas
4. Councillor L. Winnett

Appeals Committee

****1 Member to be selected from the following to Chair the Committee.***

Chair of People Scrutiny Committee
Chair of Place Scrutiny Committee
Chair of Partnerships Scrutiny Committee
Chair of Corporate & Performance Scrutiny Committee

*** 1 Member to be selected from the following Labour Group Members:-**

- Councillors
1. S. Behr
 2. J. Thomas
 3. L. Winnett

*** 1 Member to be selected from the following Independent Group Members:-**

- Councillors
1. G. Humphreys
 2. J. P. Morgan
 3. G. Thomas

*** On a Rolling Rota**

Substitute Members

- Councillors
1. P. Baldwin
 2. M. Cross
 3. E. Jones
 4. T. Smith
 5. D. Davies
 6. G. A. Davies
 7. J. Hill

Investigating & Disciplinary Committee (JNC & Chief Officers)

- Councillors
1. CHAIR J. Thomas
 2. M. Cross
 3. C. Smith
 4. T. Smith
 5. L. Winnett

11.

SPECIAL AND AD HOC COMMITTEES/CONSULTATION MEETINGS

RESOLVED that the following be appointed:

Gwent Public Service Board

1. **Leader of the Council / Cabinet Member – Corporate Overview & Performance**

Councillor S. Thomas

Gwent Public Service Board Scrutiny Committee

1. Councillor E. Jones
2. Councillor T. Smith

Consultation with Trade Unions

1. Leader/ Cabinet Member – Corporate Overview & Performance
2. Deputy Leader /Cabinet Member – Place & Environment
3. Appropriate Portfolio Member(s)

Fostering Panel (Social Services)

1. Councillor D. Bevan

Sub:- Councillor D. Rowberry

Blaenau Gwent & Caerphilly Care and Repair Board

1. Councillor S. Behr
2. Councillor E. Jones

Education Admissions Forum

1. **Cabinet Member – People & Education**
Councillor S. Edmunds
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2. **Chair – People Scrutiny Committee**
Councillor T. Smith

Schools Forum

1. **Cabinet Member – People & Education**
Councillor S. Edmunds
2. **Chair – People Scrutiny Committee**
Councillor T. Smith

Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (SACRE)

1. **Cabinet Member – People & Education**
Councillor S. Edmunds
2. **Chair – People Scrutiny Committee**
Councillor T. Smith

Getting to know our Schools Sub-Group (Same Membership as Scrutiny Committee)

1. **Chair – People Scrutiny Committee**
Councillor T. Smith
 2. **Vice Chair – People Scrutiny Committee**
Councillor J. Morgan, J.P.
 3. Councillors D. Bevan
 4. C. Bainton
 5. K. Chaplin
 6. G. Davies
 7. J. Holt
 8. G. Thomas
 9. D. Wilkshire
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* **Chair and Vice Chair to endeavour to be at each Meeting.**

** **All members to be invited to attend Sub-Group Meeting.**

Safer Schools Partnership Board

1. Councillor T. Smith

Tomorrow Valley Project

1. **Cabinet Member – Place & Environment**
Councillor H. Cunningham
2. **Cabinet Member - Corporate Overview & Performance**
Councillor S. Thomas

Constitution Working Group

1. Leader of the Council
2. Deputy Leader of the Council
3. Leader of the Independent Group
4. Deputy Leader of the Independent Group
5. Presiding Member

Freedom of the Borough – Cross Party Working Group

1. Councillors C. Bainton
2. D. Bevan
3. J. Hill
4. G. Humphreys

5. C. Smith

Leisure and Libraries Strategic Group

1. Leader of the Council (Chair)
2. Cabinet Member – People & Education

GRANTS WORKING GROUP
14 Members - Proportionality 9:5

1 Member from each Ward on a political proportionality basis.

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| 1. Councillor | L. Parsons | (Llanhilleth Ward) |
| 2. | K. Chaplin | (Abertillery & Six Bells Ward) |
| 3. | J. Gardner | (Brynmawr Ward) |
| 4. | M. Day | (Cwmtillery Ward) |
| 5. | L. Winnett | (Blaina Ward) |
| 6. | C. Smith | (Beaufort Ward) |
| 7. | G. Humphreys | (Cwm Ward) |
| 8. | D. Rowberry | (Sirhowy Ward) |
| 9. | C. Bainton | (Ebbw Vale South Ward) |
| 10. | D. Davies | (Ebbw Vale North Ward) |
| 11. | S. Thomas | (Tredegar Ward) |
| 12. | J. Thomas | (Georgetown Ward) |

13. G. A. Davies (Rassau & Garnlydan Ward)

14. P. Baldwin (Nantyglo Ward)

Advisory Panel for the Appointment of Local Authority Governors'

1. Cabinet Member – People & Education (Chair)

Councillor S. Edmunds

2. Councillor D. Bevan
3. Councillor D. Davies
4. Councillor G. A. Davies
5. Councillor J. Hill
6. Councillor T. Smith

Substitutes:

1. Councillor E. Jones
2. Councillor J. Gardner
3. Councillor J. P. Morgan
4. Councillor G. Thomas
5. Councillor D. Woods
6. Councillor D. Wilkshire

Observer: A representative of the Blaenau Gwent School Governors' Association (BGSGA)

Community Asset Transfer Steering Group

1. **Cabinet Member – Place & Environment**
Councillor H. Cunningham

Tredegar Heritage Initiative

1. Councillor E. Jones
2. Councillor D. Rowberry
3. Councillor T. Smith
4. Councillor J. Thomas

Tredegar Town Council Representative

Cost Pressure Sub-Group

1. **Leader of the Council/Cabinet Member – Corporate Overview & Performance**
Councillor S. Thomas
 2. **Deputy Leader of the Council/ Cabinet Member - Place & Environment**
Councillor H. Cunningham
 3. **Cabinet Member – People & Social Services**
Councillor H. Trollope
 4. **Cabinet Member – People & Education**
Councillor S. Edmunds
 5. **Cabinet Member – Place & Regeneration and Economic Development**
Councillor J. C. Morgan
 6. **Chair of Corporate & Performance Scrutiny Committee**
Councillor J. Wilkins
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7. **Vice Chair of Corporate & Performance Scrutiny Committee**

Councillor J. Thomas

Blaenau Gwent Enterprise Board

1. Leader or Deputy Leader
2. Cabinet Member – Place & Regeneration and Economic Development
3. Corporate Director Regeneration & Community Services

Corporate Parenting Board

1. Cabinet Member – People & Social Services
2. Chair of People Scrutiny Committee
3. Councillor D. Bevan
4. Councillor J. Gardner
5. Councillor J. Morgan, J.P.

Cost of Living Crisis Cross Party Working Group

1. Cabinet Member – Corporate & Performance
2. Cabinet Member – Place & Environment
3. Cabinet Member – Place & Regeneration and Economic Development
4. Cabinet Member – People & Social Services
5. Cabinet Member – People & Education
6. Chair of Corporate Overview Performance Scrutiny Committee

7. Poverty & Inequality Champion –
Councillor C. Bainton

8. Councillor G. Humphreys

Straying Animals/Animal Trespass Working Group

1. Cabinet Member – Place & Environment
(Chair)

2. Chair of Place Scrutiny Committee

3. Councillor L. Winnett

4. Councillor J. Holt

MEMBER CHAMPIONS

Equalities, Welsh Language and Diversity

Councillor C. Smith

Age Friendly

Councillor H. Trollope

Poverty and Inequality

Councillor C. Bainton

Climate Mitigation

Councillor S. Behr

Armed Forces

Councillor D. Bevan

Wellbeing Champion

Councillor J. Thomas

12.

COUNCIL'S REPRESENTATIVE ON OTHER BODIES

Upon a vote being taken it was unanimously,

RESOLVED that the following be appointed:

Adult Learning Wales (formerly Workers' Educational Association YMCA Wales Community Council)

Scrutiny Chair – People

Age Concern Gwent Executive Committee Membership

Cabinet Member – People & Social Services

The Alliance

Cabinet Member – Place & Regeneration

Scrutiny Chair – Place

Aneurin Bevan Health Board - Independent Review Panel to meet Continuing Health Care Needs

Scrutiny Chair – People

Bannau Brycheiniog (Formerly known as Brecon Beacons National Park)

Councillor P. Baldwin

Book Council of Wales

Councillor S. Edmunds

Cardiff Capital Region City Deal Cabinet

Leader of the Council

Cardiff Capital Region City Deal – Regional Scrutiny Committee

Scrutiny Chair – Place

Councillor M. Cross

Scrutiny Vice-Chair – Place

Councillor R. Leadbeater

CSC (Compound Semi Conductor Board (Part of IQE Investment through City Deal)

Cabinet Member – Place & Regeneration and Economic Development

Cabinet Member – Place & Environment

CCR Regional Transport Authority

Cabinet Member – Place & Regeneration and Economic Development

Duke of Beaufort's Breconshire Estate Commoner's Association

Councillor M. Cross

Education Achievement Service (E.A.S);

Company Board

Cabinet Member – Place & Regeneration and Economic Development

Substitute: Cabinet Member – Place & Environment

Joint Executive Group (JEG)

Cabinet Member – People & Education

Audit and Risk Assurance Committee

Councillor L. Winnett

Councillor T. Smith

Gwent Police and Crime Panel

Councillor G. A. Davies

Councillor J. Thomas

G.A.V.O. - Executive Committee

Cabinet Member – People & Social Services

Councillor H. Trollope

G.A.V.O. - Local Committee

Cabinet Member – People & Social Services

Councillor H. Trollope

Greater Gwent Cremation Joint Committee

Scrutiny Chair – Place
Councillor M. Cross

Substitute: Scrutiny Vice-Chair - Place
Councillor R. Leadbeater

Gwent Archives Joint Committee

Cabinet Member – Place & Regeneration and Economic
Development
Councillor J. C. Morgan

Councillor H. Trollope

Gwent Regional Partnership Board

Cabinet Member – People & Social Services

Local Government Association

Leader
Deputy Leader

Joint Council for Wales

Employers Side

Cabinet Member – Corporate Overview & Performance

Monmouthshire Farm School Endowment Trust

Councillor M. Cross

National Adoption Service Governance Board

Cabinet Member – People & Social Services

PATROL Adjudication Joint Committee

Scrutiny Chair – Place
Councillor M. Cross

Substitute: Scrutiny Vice-Chair - Place
Councillor R. Leadbeater

Reserve Forces & Cadets Association for Wales –

Local Government Representation

Councillor D. Bevan

Rural Development Programme – Local Action Group

Councillor G. Humphreys

SRS Strategic Board

Councillor J. Gardner

South Wales Fire Authority

Councillor J. Morgan, J.P.

Tai Calon Board

Councillor S. Behr

Councillor E. Jones

Vision in Wales

(formerly Wales Council for the Blind)

Executive Member – People & Social Services

Scrutiny Chair – People

Welsh Local Government Association

Leader of the Council

WLGA Executive Board

Leader of the Council

W.L.G.A. Council and Voting

Leader of the Council

Substitute: Deputy Leader of the Council

W.L.G.A. – All Wales Social Services Policy Group

Cabinet Member – People & Social Services

W.L.G.A. - Environment Champion

Cabinet Member – Place & Environment

W.L.G.A. - Finance Working Group

Officer Appointments

Chief Officer Resources

Ms R. Hayden

WLGA - Corporate Affairs – Public Private Partnership Ltd – Management Board

Member Appointment

Cabinet Member – Corporate Overview & Performance

WLGA - Cultural Affairs & Leisure – South Wales Regional Committee

Cabinet Member – Place & Environment

WLGA Rural Forum

Councillor C. Smith

Wales Council for Deaf People

Cabinet Member – People & Social Services

Welsh Joint Education Committee

Cabinet Member – People & Education

Youth Offending Service - Local Management Board

Cabinet Member – People & Social Services

LEA REPRESENTATION ON SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES

| School | Current LEA Representative |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Abertillery Learning Community | Mr. Daryl Tovey Mr Richard Bevan Ms Deborah Mary Field Mr Matthew Fowler Vacancy |
| All Saints R. C. Primary | Mrs Pat Mitchell Laura Newall |
| Beaufort Hill Primary | Mr. Roy Lynch Mr Rhion Hollister Vacancy |

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| Blaen-y-Cwm Primary | Ms Natasha Tepielow Stephen Connolly Mrs Keri Langley Vacancy |
| Bryn Bach Primary | Ms. Gemma Badham Councillor Malcolm Cross Vacancy |
| Brynmawr Foundation | Ms Stephanie Hopkins Councillor John Hill |
| Canolfan Yr Afon (The River Centre) | Lee Powell Jan English Jacqueline Gwynne Additional representatives: Richard Barrett Ms Lesley Bush |
| Coed y Garn Primary | Mr. Kenneth Jones Councillor Sonia Behr Vacancy |
| Cwm Primary | Councillor Derrick Bevan Mrs Kathryn Cross Ms. Natalie Marshall |
| Deighton Primary Tredegar | Councillor Haydn Trollope Councillor Jaqueline Thomas Delyth Pearsall Councillor Ellen Jones |
| Ebbw Fawr Learning Community | Clive Meredith Adam King |

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| | Mr Jon Mower Councillor George Humphreys Vacancy |
| Georgetown Primary Tredegar | Councillor John C. Morgan Ms Donna Hardman Vacancy |
| Glanhowy Primary, Tredegar | Miss Joanne Davies Councillor Tommy Smith Ms. Tara Robinson |
| Glyncoed Primary | Clive Meredith Mr. Mostyn I. Smith Councillor Chris Smith |
| Penycwm Special | Hannah Williams Tim Baxter Councillor Jen Morgan, J.P. |
| Rhos y Fedwen Primary | Councillor David Wilkshire Councillor Gareth A. Davies Councillor S. Edmunds |
| Sofrydd Primary | Debra Fields Sian Barrett Mrs Keri Jones |
| St. Illtyd's Primary | Mrs Keri Jones Lucy Allsopp Sara Long |

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| | St. Joseph's R.C. Primary | Councillor Malcolm Cross | |
| | St Marys Brynmawr CIW Primary | Claire Gardner | |
| | St. Mary's RC Primary Brynmawr | Angela Davies | |
| | Tredegar Comprehensive | Councillor John C. Morgan Councillor Haydn Trollope Ms. Melanie Rogers Mr Peter Harriman Adrian Tuck | |
| | Willowtown Primary | Mrs Sian Barrett Mr Jordan Colcombe Vacancy | |
| | Ysgol Gyfun Gwynllyw | Councillor Sue Edmunds | |
| | Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Helyg, Blaina | Mrs Tracey Dyson Councillor Peter Baldwin Rebecca Legge | |
| | Ystruth Primary | Councillor Lisa Winnett Garth Collier Kerys Beese | |
| 13. | <u>MEMBERSHIP REPORT</u> | | |
| | Consideration was given to the following:- | | |
| | <u>Advisory Panel for Local Authority Governors</u> | | |

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| | <p>The following recommendations were made by the Panel on 15th May, 2023 to appoint in principle:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rhos-y-Fedwen Primary School – Councillor Sue Edmunds - Tredegar Comprehensive School – Melanie Rogers <p>It was, thereupon, unanimously,</p> <p>RESOLVED that the above appointments be endorsed.</p> | |
| <p>14.</p> | <p><u>ANNUAL CYCLE OF MEETINGS 2023/2024</u></p> <p>Members considered the joint officers’ report.</p> <p>It was unanimously,</p> <p>RESOLVED that the report be accepted and Option 1 be endorsed, namely that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The proposed annual cycle of meetings 2023/2024 attached at Appendix 1 be approved. (ii) The decision-making process to deal with any urgent business during the August recess be approved: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. the Leader and Deputy Leader in conjunction with appropriate Cabinet Members and Officers deal with any urgent items from 1st - 31st August, 2023 (i.e., a Special Meeting of the Cabinet would be convened at short notice recognising that the matter was urgent and the call-in procedure would apply). The Chief Executive / Head of Paid Service in conjunction with the Leadership would determine if a matter was urgent; and | |

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| | <p>b. decisions should be limited to urgent matters and recorded on a decision schedule presented to the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council. No controversial or sensitive matters should be dealt with during this period.</p> | |
| <p>15.</p> | <p><u>GWENT WELLBEING PLAN 2023-2028</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to the joint Officers' report.</p> <p>It was unanimously,</p> <p>RESOLVED that the report be accepted and Option 1 be approved, namely that the Gwent Wellbeing Plan 2023-2028 be endorsed.</p> | |