

COUNTY BOROUGH OF BLAENAU GWENT

REPORT TO: THE LEADER AND MEMBERS OF THE CABINET

SUBJECT: CABINET – 16TH OCTOBER, 2024

REPORT OF: DEMOCRATIC & COMMITTEE SUPPORT OFFICER

**PRESENT: Leader/
Cabinet Member - Corporate Overview & Performance
Councillor S. Thomas**

**Deputy Leader/
Cabinet Member – Place and Environment
Councillor H. Cunningham**

**Cabinet Member – Place and Regeneration
Councillor J.C. Morgan**

**Cabinet Member – People & Education
Councillor S. Edmunds**

WITH: Joint Chief Executive
Corporate Director Corporate Services
Corporate Director Education
Corporate Director Regeneration and Community Services
Interim Corporate Director Social Services
Chief Officer Customer & Commercial
Service Manager Policy & Partnerships
Team Manager Trading Standards & Licensing
Team Manager Commercial Services
Head of Legal & Corporate Compliance
Press & Public Relations Officer

DECISIONS UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>
No. 1	<u>SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION</u>

	It was noted that no requests had been received for the simultaneous translation service.
No. 2	<p><u>APOLOGIES</u></p> <p>An apology for absence was reported for Councillor H. Trollope, Cabinet Member for People & Social Services.</p>
No. 3	<p><u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS</u></p> <p>No declarations of interest or dispensations were reported.</p>
	<p><u>DECISIONS</u></p>
No. 4	<p><u>CABINET</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to the decisions of the Special Cabinet Meeting held on 4th September, 2024.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the decisions be received as a true record of proceedings.</p>
	<p><u>GENERAL MATTERS</u></p>
No. 5	<p><u>CONFERENCES, COURSES, EVENTS AND INVITATIONS</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to the following:-</p> <p><u>Reserve Forces' & Cadets' Association for Wales – Annual Briefing 2024</u> <u>HMS CAMBRIA, Cardiff Bay on 24th October, 2024.</u></p> <p>RESOLVED that Councillor D. Bevan, Armed Forces Champion be approved to attend.</p>
	<p><u>CORPORATE AND PERFORMANCE PORTFOLIO</u></p>
No. 6	<p><u>FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME – 4th DECEMBER, 2024</u></p>

	<p>Consideration was given to report of the Scrutiny & Democratic Officer.</p> <p>The Deputy Leader/Cabinet Member for Place and the Environment confirmed that a report on the options for Orchard Street Community Centre would be added to the FWP for the 4th December, 2024.</p> <p>RESOLVED, subject to the foregoing, that the report be accepted and the Forward Work Programme for the meeting on the 4th December, 2024 be approved. (Option 2)</p>
<p>No. 7</p>	<p><u>CAPITAL BUDGET MONITORING, FORECAST FOR 2024/2025 FINANCIAL YEAR (AS AT 30 JUNE 2024)</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to the report of the Corporate Director Corporate Services.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the report be accepted, and Option 1 be approved, namely that Members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) provided appropriate challenge to the financial outcomes in the report; b) continue to support appropriate financial control procedures agreed by Council; and c) noted the budgetary control and monitoring procedures in place within the Capital Team, to safeguard Authority funding.
<p>No. 8</p>	<p><u>REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2024/2025 – FORECAST OUTTURN TO 31 MARCH 2025 (AS AT 30 JUNE 2024)</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to the report of the Service Manager Accountancy.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the report be accepted, and Option 1 be approved as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Members considered and provided the appropriate challenge to the financial outcomes in the report. b) Approved the budget virement greater than £250,000; and c) Noted the application of reserves.

	<u>PLACE AND ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO</u>
No. 9	<p><u>PUBLIC SPACE CCTV SYSTEM ANNUAL MONITORING REPORT 2023/24</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to the report of the Service Manager Policy and Partnerships.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the report be accepted, and Option 1 be approved, namely that Cabinet considered and approved that the Annual Monitoring Report be published on the Council's website.</p>
No. 10	<p><u>PUBLIC HEALTH (WALES) ACT 2017 - SPECIAL PROCEDURE LICENSING FEES AND SCHEME OF DELEGATION</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to the joint report of the Team Manager Trading Standards & Licensing and the Team Manager Commercial.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the report be accepted, and the proposed fee structure as set out in the table at Appendix 1 of the report, and the scheme of delegated powers set out at paragraphs 2.6, 2.7 and 2.8 be approved (Option 1).</p>
	<u>PEOPLE & EDUCATION PORTFOLIO</u>
No. 11	<p><u>HOME TO SCHOOL AND POST 16 TRANSPORT POLICY REVIEW 2025 – 2026</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to the Corporate Director Education.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the report be accepted and the Home to School and Post 16 Transport Policy 2025/26 be approved (Option 1).</p>