

**CABINET
DECISION RECORDING LOG**

DECISION DETERMINED ON: Wednesday, 17 January 2024

DECISION WILL COME INTO EFFECT ON: Friday 26th January 2024

Decisions made by full cabinet and individual cabinet members are subject to "Call-in" by the appropriate Select Committee. Should a decision be subject to call-in it will not take effect as stated above and will be presented again at a later date.

CABINET MEMBERS PRESENT:

County Councillors Mary Ann Brocklesby, Rachel Garrick, Paul Griffiths, Martyn Groucutt, Catrin Maby, Angela Sandles, Ian Chandler and Ben Callard

OTHER ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT:

County Councillors John Crook and Richard John

OFFICERS PRESENT

Jonathan Davies, Peter Davies, Paul Matthews, Will McLean, Jane Rodgers, Frances O'Brien, Matthew Gatehouse, Ian Saunders, Amy Gullick, James Williams, Ruth Donovan, Jan Furtek, Matthew Jones and Nicholas Keyse

Item Number	Title	Purpose, Consultation & Author	Declaration of Interests	Decision
1	Apologies for Absence			County Councillor Frances Taylor.
Additional Information:				
2	Declarations of Interest	As set out in the report		RESOLVED: None.
Additional Information:				
3	DRAFT REVENUE AND CAPITAL BUDGET PROPOSALS 2024/25	As set out in the report		RESOLVED: That Cabinet approves the release of its draft revenue budget proposals for 2024/25 for consultation to run until 15th February 2024. That Cabinet approves the release of its draft capital budget proposals for 2024/25 and indicative capital budgets for 2025/26 to 2027/28 as set out in appendix 4 for consultation to run until 15th February 2024. That Cabinet notes the adverse implications and current uncertainties arising out of the provisional budget announcement of Welsh Government as outlined in this report and agrees the response outlined at appendix 3 . That Cabinet recommends the use of £2.8m of capital receipts to fund revenue costs associated with organisational change that support the draft revenue budget proposals.
Additional Information:				
4	COMMUNITY AND	As set out in the report		RESOLVED:

	CORPORATE PLAN PERFORMANCE UPDATE			<p>That Cabinet use this report as part of their continuous monitoring of how effectively the council is delivering its objectives to identify where departments are not on track to meet the targets and identify any remedial actions that may be required.</p> <p>That Cabinet formally approve the targets for 2023/24.</p> <p>That Cabinet reflects on the deliverability of the Community and Corporate Plan in light of the budget settlement for 2024/25 and outlook for the following years.</p> <p>That Cabinet agrees to receive a report in the first quarter of 2024/25 setting out revised measures alongside targets for performance up to 2026/27 taking advantage of in-year work done on becoming a Marmot Region with a move towards improved measurement of outcomes rather than outputs wherever possible.</p>
Additional Information:				
5	RESPONSE TO WELSH GOVERNMENTS PHASE 2 CONSULTATION ON A FAIRER COUNCIL TAX SYSTEM	As set out in the report		<p>RESOLVED: That Cabinet agree Monmouthshire County Council's response to the Phase 2 consultation questions set out in Appendix One.</p>
Additional Information:				
6	REVISED COUNTER FRAUD, CORRUPTION & BRIBERY POLICY	As set out in the report		<p>RESOLVED: That Cabinet provides comment before approving the revised Counter Fraud, Corruption and Bribery Policy.</p> <p>All elected / independent members of the Council and council officers to complete Counter-Fraud, Corruption & Bribery training as appropriate to their role in order to increase organisational effectiveness in preventing, detecting and responding to fraud.</p>
Additional Information:				
7	STATUTORY CONSULTATION ON PROPOSALS TO INCREASE THE CAPACITY OF YSGOL GYMRAEG Y FENNI	As set out in the report		<p>RESOLVED: That Members:</p> <p>Agree to enter into a statutory consultation process as set out in the School Organisation Code (a document produced by virtue of the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013) to obtain the views of consultees on relocating Ysgol Gymraeg Y Fenni to the former Deri View Primary site.</p> <p>Agree and approve the attached draft consultation document (appendix 1) which proposes to relocate Ysgol Gymraeg Y Fenni to the former Deri View Primary School site which will allow for its increase in capacity to 420 places.</p>
Additional Information:				
8	REPURPOSING OF	As set out in the report		<p>RESOLVED:</p>

	<p>ACCOMMODATION IN THE COUNTY FARMS PORTFOLIO TO SUPPORT HOMELESSNESS AND OTHER POLICY OBJECTIVES</p>			<p>That Cabinet:</p> <p>Agrees to the repurposing of the vacant farm cottage in Caerwent, for use as temporary accommodation for homelessness by MCC Housing subject to the necessary approvals to appropriate the cottage.</p> <p>Agrees to the repurposing of vacant cottages held within the County Farms portfolio to support policy objectives and in particular aspirations around homelessness and children services provision.</p> <p>That business cases will be submitted for the repurposing of other vacant cottages, for the consideration and approval via delegated authority of the Chief Officer for Resources, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Resources.</p>
Additional Information:				