

MONMOUTHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Joint Advisory Group County Hall, Usk - Remote Attendance Thursday, 16th February, 2023 at 10.00 am

PRESENT: County Councillor Rachel Garrick (Chair)
County Councillor Martyn Groucutt (Vice Chair)

County Councillor Phil Murphy

Robin Grant (Unison)
Robert Gibbs (GMB)
Zoe Elsmore (NASUWT)
Andrew Haigh (NEU)
Suzanne Hamer (NAHT)

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Matt Phillips	Chief Officer People and Governance and Monitoring Officer
Geraint Edwards	Solicitor
Will McLean	Chief Officer for Children and Young People
Peter Davies	Deputy Chief Executive and Chief Officer, Resources
Jonathan Davies	Head of Finance
Toni Pugsley	Human Resources (HR) Advisor
Richard Williams	Democratic Services Officer

APOLOGIES:

Jan Davies (UNISON), Mark Morris (NASUWT) and Sally Thomas.

1. Declarations of Interest

None received.

2. Budget Scrutiny: Scrutiny of the Budget proposals for 2023/24

We received a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Resources regarding the Budget Proposals for 2023/24, as part of the Council's Budget consultation process.

It was noted that the consultation period will be completed at the end of today, 16th February 2023 and final budget proposals will be presented to Cabinet on 1st March 2023 and then to Full Council on 2nd March 2023.

It was noted that informal dialogue had also been held with the Trade Union Side as part of the Budget consultation process leading up to this meeting.

The Committee was understanding of the level of challenge that the Council is facing in respect of the budget for 2023/24.

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The Budget consultation period was scheduled to close at the end of today should the Trade Union Side consider submitting any additional information in respect of the Budget for 2023/24.

We noted the Cabinet Member's presentation.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 14th November 2022 were approved as an accurate record.

4. Next Meeting

Monday 24th April 2023 at 10.00am.

The meeting ended at 10.34 am.