

THURSDAY, 22 FEBRUARY 2024

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

I HEREBY SUMMON YOU TO ATTEND THE **MULTI LOCATION MEETING OF CARMARTHENSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL** WHICH WILL BE HELD IN THE **CHAMBER, COUNTY HALL, CARMARTHEN, SA31 1JP AND REMOTELY AT 10.00 AM, ON WEDNESDAY, 28TH FEBRUARY, 2024** FOR THE TRANSACTION OF THE BUSINESS OUTLINED ON THE ATTACHED AGENDA

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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THE MEETING CAN BE VIEWED ON THE AUTHORITY'S WEBSITE VIA THE FOLLOWING LINK:-

<https://carmarthenshire.public-i.tv/core/portal/home>

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A G E N D A

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.
2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTERESTS.
3. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.
4. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE LEADER, CABINET MEMBERS AND THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (IF ANY)
5. TO APPROVE AND SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETINGS HELD ON THE 24TH JANUARY 2024 7 - 20
6. THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (DEMOCRACY) (WALES) ACT 2013 ("THE ACT")-COMMUNITY REVIEW 21 - 34
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8. TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CABINET IN RESPECT OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:-
 - 8.1 REVENUE BUDGET STRATEGY 2024/25 TO 2026/27 59 - 160
 - 8.2 FIVE YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAMME (COUNCIL FUND) 2024/25 TO 2028/29 161 - 196
 - 8.3 TREASURY MANAGEMENT POLICY AND STRATEGY 2024-25 197 - 246
 - 8.4 LICENSING ACT 2003 REVIEW OF LICENSING POLICY AND CUMULATIVE IMPACT ASSESSMENTS 247 - 414
9. TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE CABINET HELD ON THE:
 - 9.1 15TH JANUARY 2024 415 - 424
 - 9.2 29TH JANUARY 2024 425 - 430
10. PUBLIC QUESTIONS:-
 - 10.1 MR DAVID JENKINS TO COUNCILLOR ALED VAUGHAN OWEN - CABINET MEMBER CLIMATE CHANGE, DECARBONISATION AND SUSTAINABILITY

'A recent meeting in Ferryside organised by local members to respond to January's flooding seemed to establish that:

 - Bad actors may have contributed to flooding risk or otherwise failed to maintain assets
 - A history of engineering and maintenance lapses

contributed to the flooding

- No clear plans are in place for responding to a flood incident
- No plans exist for after care of people impacted by flooding
- Despite long standing awareness of risks associated with climate change and biodiversity loss there is no strategic plan for mitigating increased risks
- There is a lack of coordination between agencies responsible for local resilience.

So what actions does the council plan to take to alleviate the impact of floods on the residents of Carmarthenshire?’

10 .2 DR ANTHONY LAXTON TO COUNCILLOR ANN DAVIES - CABINET MEMBER FOR RURAL AFFAIRS, COMMUNITY COHESION & PLANNING POLICY

‘In the light of declaring a climate emergency in 2019 and the Future Generations Act, would the Council consider reviewing their approach to planning permission for solar panels and other energy saving initiatives in areas of conservation? It seems there can even be a conflict with installing these on quite ordinary buildings with Welsh slate roofs if the building is pre-1919. Conservation should adopt a wider definition in this case - not only focused on the historic conservation of buildings but on the long-term conservation of our communities and our environment by allowing greater freedoms to install measures to save and generate local green energy.’

10 .3 MS TARA-JANE SUTCLIFFE TO COUNCILLOR EDWARD THOMAS - CABINET MEMBER TRANSPORT, WASTE AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

‘In 2021 the Council secured £16.7m of Levelling Up funding from the UK Government for the Towy Valley Cycle Path. This had a requirement for all funds to be spent by 31st March 2024, or exceptionally by 31st March 2025. Further to which, and given delays to date, presumably the Council has scenario planned for the event that it does not meet the extended deadline. What forecast costs would fall to the Council should work be incomplete at 31st March 2025, and how has this been budgeted for?’

11. QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS:-

11.1 QUESTION BY COUNCILLOR ROB JAMES TO COUNCILLOR ALUN LENNY - CABINET MEMBER FOR RESOURCES

"In view of the council's commitment in January 2023 to re-examine its relationship with Barclays bank, could the Cabinet Member outline what progress has been made with the re-examination - outlining the terms of the existing contract with Barclays, whether alternative banks have been approached and what is the view of this administration on allegations of continued greenwashing within Barclays?"

11.2 QUESTION BY COUNCILLOR ROB JAMES TO COUNCILLOR DARREN PRICE - LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

"Llanelli Chamber of Trade and Commerce has announced their campaign to have Llanelli be recognised as a city.

The campaign has received a mixed response with the likes of Sir Douglas Perkins, co-founder of Specsavers, Nia Griffith MP and Llanelli Town and Rural Councils backing the proposal, yet some have raised concerns.

Will you commit to Carmarthenshire County Council running a public consultation, in partnership with the Chamber of Trade, to assess the public appetite for submitting a city status bid?"

12. TO ELECT THE VICE CHAIR OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FOLLOWING A VACANCY MID TERM

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4 (2) the following nomination has been delivered to the Chief Executive :-

Councillor Fiona Walters - Independent Group

No other nominations have been received.

13. TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING CHANGES TO MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES:-

13.1 THE LABOUR GROUP HAS NOMINATED COUNCILLOR NYSIA EVANS TO TAKE THEIR VACANT SEAT ON THE CORPORATE PERFORMANCE AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

14. MINUTES FOR INFORMATION (AVAILABLE TO VIEW ON THE WEBSITE)

14 .1 STANDARDS COMMITTEE - 16TH JANUARY 2024

14 .2 LICENSING COMMITTEE - 23RD JANUARY 2024

14 .3 HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - 25TH JANUARY 2024

14 .4 PLACE, SUSTAINABILITY & CLIMATE CHANGE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - 30TH JANUARY 2024

14 .5 CORPORATE PERFORMANCE & RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - 31ST JANUARY 2024

14 .6 EDUCATION, YOUNG PEOPLE AND THE WELSH LANGUAGE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - 31ST JANUARY 2024

14 .7 PLANNING COMMITTEE - 1ST FEBRUARY 2024