

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER DECISIONS MEETING FOR ENVIRONMENTAL & PUBLIC PROTECTION

17th MARCH 2017

Present: Councillor T.J. Jones (Executive Board Member)

The following officers were in attendance:

Mrs. L. Quelch – Head of Planning

Mr. M. Hughes – Democratic Services Officer

Venue: Democratic Services Committee Room, County Hall, Carmarthen (10:00 – 10:10am)

1. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made at the meeting.

2. PRESENTATION OF PETITION – UGLY BUILDING ON PEN-Y-GROES SQUARE, PEN-Y-GROES

The Executive Board Member considered a report outlining proposed actions to be taken in relation to No. 2 Bridge Street, Pen-y-Groes, located in a prominent position on Pen-y-Groes Square.

The Executive Board Member noted that the current state of the building had led to the submission of concerns over the last couple of years, from local residents, Llandybie Community Council, and also the local County Councillor, leading to the submission of a petition to the County Council meeting on the 26th May 2016, as outlined in the report.

During this time, the building had been the subject of scrutiny and investigation by the Local Authority through its Planning function, and also through its Housing & Public Protection function.

The Executive Board member noted that following recent dialogue with the estate representatives a schedule of works had been presented to them, as outlined in the attached report. The estimated cost for the work was £8,500.

The Executive Board Member was informed that officers considered the recommendation presented in the report to be the best option in securing an improvement to the building and deal with public's concerns. However, this was the position at the time of presenting the report and did not preclude further future consideration of certain alternatives, depending on how the situation developed.

The Head of Planning also informed the Executive Board Member that she had been in contact with a number of interested parties on a local level (including the Community Council), in order to inform them of the latest developments.

RESOLVED that approval be given to support the proposed actions, namely, that the building is upgraded in line with the agreed schedule, and that, should the owners of the property not undertake this within a timescale to be agreed, the County Council will take 'direct action' to achieve the same.

3. TO SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE DECISION RECORD OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL & PUBLIC PROTECTION, HELD ON THE 19TH MAY 2016

RESOLVED that the decision record of the meeting held on the 19th May 2016, be signed as a correct record.

SIGNED: _____ (Chair)

DATE: _____