

COUNTY COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, 13 JUNE 2018

PRESENT: Councillor J.M. Charles (Chair)

Councillors:

S.M. Allen	L.R. Bowen	K.V. Broom	C.A. Campbell
D.M. Cundy	S.A. Curry	C.A. Davies	T.A.J. Davies
G. Davies	H.L. Davies	I.W. Davies	J.A. Davies
S.L. Davies	W.R.A. Davies	E. Dole	J.S. Edmunds
P.M. Edwards	H.A.L. Evans	L.D. Evans	R.E. Evans
W.T. Evans	A.L. Fox	S.J.G. Gilasbey	C.J. Harris
P. Hughes-Griffiths	T.M. Higgins	J.K. Howell	P.M. Hughes
A. James	J.D. James	R. James	D.M. Jenkins
J.P. Jenkins	G.H. John	C. Jones	B.W. Jones
D. Jones	G.R. Jones	H.I. Jones	A. Lenny
M.J.A. Lewis	K. Lloyd	K. Madge	S. Matthews
A.S.J. McPherson	E. Morgan	A.G. Morgan	D. Nicholas
B.D.J. Phillips	J.S. Phillips	D. Price	J.G. Prosser
B.A.L. Roberts	E.M.J.G. Schiavone	H.B. Shepardson	A.D.T. Speake
L.M. Stephens	B. Thomas	D. Thomas	E.G. Thomas
G.B. Thomas	J. Tremlett	A.Vaughan Owen	D.T. Williams
D.E. Williams	J.E. Williams		

Also Present:

M. James, Chief Executive
J. Morgan, Director of Community Services
C. Moore, Director of Corporate Services
Mrs R. Mullen, Director of Environment
G. Morgans, Director of Education & Children's Services
W. Walters, Director of Regeneration & Policy
L.R. Jones, Head of Administration and Law
P.R. Thomas, Assistant Chief Executive (People Management & Performance)
H. Morgan, Economic Development Manager
L. Quelch, Head of Planning
R Llewellyn, Performance, Governance and Policy Officer
K. Thomas, Democratic Services Officer

Chamber, - County Hall, Carmarthen. SA31 1JP. 10.00 am - 1.35 pm

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors C. Evans, D. Harries, J. Jones, S. Najmi and G. Thomas

2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTERESTS.

Councillor	Minute Number	Nature of Interest
M.J.A. Lewis	8.1- Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance – Wind and Solar Energy Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan	Has Wind Turbines on her land
M.J.A. Lewis	8.2 – Change of Name of Quarter Bach Community Council and Trelech Community Council	Husband is a member of Trelech Community Council
Glynog Davies	8.2 – Change of Name of Quarter Bach Community Council and Trelech Community Council	Member of Quarter Bach Community Council
H.A.L. Evans	8.5 – Cartrefi Croeso Ltd – Financing requirement, appointment of Directors and Shareholders Agreement Delegation	Sister is the Chief Executive of the Bro Myrddin Housing Association
H.B. Shepardson	8.7 – Modernising Education Programme – Proposal to provide nursery provision at Ysgol Parc y Tywyn by increasing its age range from 4-11 to 3-11	Personal – School Governor
A Vaughan Owen	8.1 – Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance – Wind and Solar Energy Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan	Works in the energy sector
A Vaughan Owen	8.6 – Modernising Education Programme – Proposal to increase the capacity of Gorslas Community School from 4-11 to 3-11	Personal – Member of Gorslas Community Council and involved with the sale of land to the County Council
K. Madge	7.1 – Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor K. Lloyd	Daughter works in Social Care

J.D. James	8.7 – Modernising Education Programme – Proposal to provide nursery provision at Ysgol Parc y Tywyn by increasing its age range from 4-11 to 3-11	School Governor
A Fox	8.7 – Modernising Education Programme – Proposal to provide nursery provision at Ysgol Parc y Tywyn by increasing its age range from 4-11 to 3-11	School Governor
D. Price	8.6 – Modernising Education Programme – Proposal to increase the capacity of Gorslas Community School from 4-11 to 3-11	Member of Gorslas Community Council and involved with the sale of land to the County Council
B. Jones	8.7 – Modernising Education Programme – Proposal to provide nursery provision at Ysgol Parc y Tywyn by increasing its age range from 4-11 to 3-11	Son is a teacher in Parc y Tywyn
J. Morgan – Director of Communities	8.5 - Cartrefi Croeso Ltd – Financing requirement, appointment of Directors and Shareholders Agreement Delegation	Company Director
W. Walters – Director of Regeneration and Policy	8.5 - Cartrefi Croeso Ltd – Financing requirement, appointment of Directors and Shareholders Agreement Delegation	Company Director

3. CHAIR’S ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Condolences were extended to the family of the late Councillor Alun Davies. All members of Council stood in silent tribute in memory of Councillor Davies following which tributes were paid by Councillors E. Dole, L.M. Stephens and K. Madge on behalf of each of the political parties.

Condolences were expressed to former County Councillor D. Williams on the death of his wife.

Congratulations were extended to:-

- Meinir Lloyd from Carmarthen (also known as Meinir Hughes Griffiths) on being awarded the T.H. Parry-Williams Medal at the National Eisteddfod
- The following persons welcomed into the Gorsedd Y Beirdd at the National Eisteddfod:-
 - Elaine Edwards, Carmarthen – former president of UCAC
 - Huw Edwards, Llangennech – Broadcaster
 - Margarette Hughes – Whitland – contribution to the Welsh Language and Culture
 - Eric Jones – Pencader – Steward and Inspector at the National Eisteddfod and Urdd since 1984
 - Dr Rhys Thomas – New Inn Llandeilo – contribution to medicine
 - Rosemary Williams – Crickhowell – (originally from Llandeilo) – contribution to Welsh Culture in the Abergavenny area.
- The following recipients of Royal Recognition:
 - Order of the British Empire MBE
Dr Gareth Collier – Dryslwyn – Consultant Respiratory Physician - Glangwili Hospital for services to lung cancer treatment in Wales;

Tracy Pike – Llanelli – CEO of Carmarthenshire Youth and Children's Association – Services to young people (Llanelli);

Michael James Worthington Williams – Cenarth – services to the automotive industry;
 - British Empire Medal – BEM
William Henry Gerwyn Jenkins – Llanelli – services to the Samaritans in Swansea
- The Cottage Pub in Llandeilo on winning the title Countryside Alliance 'Pub of the Year'
- Ysgol Gymraeg Brynsierfel on being the first Welsh school in Carmarthenshire to receive the Welsh Charter Silver Award
- Staff within the Planning Department on winning the UK Royal Town Planning Institute Excellence in Planning Award for the Natural Environment in respect of the Caeau Mynydd Mawr Special Area of Conservation Supplementary Planning Guidance Marsh Fritillary Project.
- Councillor Ann Davies on gaining a Masters' Degree in Education and on being appointed Chair-Elect of the Farmers' Union of Wales, Carmarthenshire

The Chair referred to the number of events he'd attended since commencing his term of office, particularly the Robert Hobbs Memorial Race in Carmarthen won by Marcin Bialoblocki from Poland

The Chair thanked all those in attendance at his recent Civic Service where over £1,000 was raised for his charities – The Wales Air Ambulance and Alzheimer's Cymru

The Executive Board Member for Culture, Sport and Tourism apprised Council of the recent announcement that Carmarthenshire would, on the 2nd September, 2018 host the Grand Depart of the 2018 OVO Energy Tour of Britain Cycle Race commencing at Pembrey Country Park and traveling through Carmarthenshire on its way to Newport. He referred to a variety of events being held to mark the event and urged all communities, especially those through which the tour would pass, to similarly mark the event and show Carmarthenshire off to the world television audience.

The Executive Board Member for Public Protection apprised Council of the difficulties encountered from recent fly infestations in South Llanelli and to its probable source, being a metal recycling plant in the vicinity of Seaside in the Glanymor Ward. He outlined the actions taken by Council staff and the council's partners in addressing the outbreak and advised that Natural Resources Wales, being the permit issuing body for the plant, would now be assuming responsibility for overseeing the treatment and removal of waste from the site and to whether any enforcement action should be taken. He also confirmed the owners of the company had taken action to remediate the difficulties and to endeavour to prevent any future outbreak.

4. TO APPROVE AND SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

4.1. 18TH APRIL, 2018

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of Council held on the 18th April, 2018 be signed as a correct record.

4.2. 16TH MAY, 2018

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of Council held on the 16th May, 2018 be signed as a correct record.

5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS (NONE RECEIVED).

The Chair advised that no public questions had been received,

6. QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS:-

6.1. QUESTION BY COUNCILLOR ROB EVANS TO COUNCILLOR GLYNOG DAVIES, EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER FOR EDUCATION AND CHILDREN

Councillor R. Evans advised that he was withdrawing his question

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the withdrawal of the question be noted.

7. TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING NOTICES OF MOTION

7.1. NOTICE OF MOTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR KEN LLOYD

(NOTE: Cllr K. Madge had earlier declared an interest in this item and remained in the meeting during its consideration)

Council considered the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Ken Lloyd:

“In accordance with Council’s Well-being Objective 10

‘Age Well – Support the growing numbers of older people to maintain dignity and independence in their later years’

we request that the Council explores the feasibility of making Carmarthenshire a dementia friendly county on the lines of the Alzheimer’s Society’s Dementia Friendly Communities programme. With the county’s aging population and the increasing focus on care and treatment in the community, rather than in hospital or a care home, more people in Carmarthenshire are living in our communities with dementia; so we need to determine what ‘dementia-friendly’ looks like and what the key areas for action are in working to achieve a ‘dementia-friendly’ Carmarthenshire.”

The motion was duly seconded.

The proposer and seconder of the Motion were afforded the opportunity of speaking in support thereof and outlined the reasons for its submission, as set out in the Motion.

A number of statements were made in support of the Motion

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the Motion be supported.

7.2. NOTICE OF MOTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR GARETH JOHN

Council considered the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Gareth John:

“We call on Welsh Government to finally acknowledge that Hywel Dda Health Board is unable to cope with the challenges it faces and that the position has become unsustainable. Despite some additional government funding, key services have become increasingly fragile with patient safety being called into question.

Fully integrated community care would be an effective way of relieving much of the pressure being placed on our hospitals but despite the consensus for this change there has been frustratingly slow movement in this direction.

Separate management structures do not support such an integrated approach and, as it has proved, neither Health nor the local Authorities can deliver the required degree of change alone.

For integrated care to become a reality the capacity within primary, community and social care must be significantly increased and work seamlessly across boundaries. Integrated primary healthcare and public health teams comprising of a comprehensive range of clinical, non-medical and social care professionals would be in a far better position to address the challenges of an ageing population than the inconsistent nature of the existing organisational arrangements.

We therefore call on Welsh government to facilitate the establishment of a Community Health and Care service charged with the delivery and overall management of an integrated social model for health and care throughout the Hywel Dda area. The service would be democratically accountable to the electorate through the three local authorities and to the health board who would retain statutory responsibility for their functions and staff”.

The following amendment to the motion was proposed by Cllr R. James and duly seconded:

“Delete paragraph 1 to 4 and replace with:

On the 26th of March, the Executive Board voted unanimously for new regional pooled funding arrangements and the West Wales Area Plan 2018 - 23 to deliver seamless services between health and social care.

Primary care in West Wales has a number of challenges, due to the ongoing austerity measures of the UK Government coupled with the Prime Minister's skilled workers migration target that is impacting our ability to recruit, and we need to ensure that health boards are in the best possible position to deal with these challenges.

In paragraph 5, delete after 'We therefore call on the Welsh Government to' and replace with:

Conduct an urgent review to assess each health boards ability to deliver the Welsh Government's objectives”.

The Head of Administration and Law was asked by the Chair to provide legal advice on the amendment and advised that, in her view, it did not constitute an amendment and was, in effect, a motion in its own right.

The Chair, having considered the advice ruled the amendment to be inappropriate and could not be accepted.

The proposer and seconder of the Motion were afforded the opportunity of speaking in support thereof and outlined the reasons for its submission, as set out in the Motion.

A number of statements were made both for, and against, the Motion and, following a vote, Council

RESOLVED that the Motion be supported.

8. TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD IN RESPECT OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:-

8.1. DRAFT SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING GUIDANCE - WIND AND SOLAR ENERGY CARMARTHENSHIRE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

(NOTE: Councillors M.J.A. Lewis and A. Vaughan Owen, having earlier declared interests in this item left the Council Chamber during its consideration by the Council)

Council was informed that the Executive Board, at its meeting held on the 30th April, 2018 (Minute 9 refers) considered a report on the council consulting on a Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance SPG on Wind and Solar Energy Carmarthenshire County Council Local Development Plan, which had been prepared to support and elaborate on the policies and provisions of the adopted Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan prior to its formal adoption, reelecting the commitment set out within the LDP.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the following recommendations of the Executive Board be accepted:

“ that the Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance set out within the report be approved for formal public consultation for 6 weeks;

that the publication of the Cumulative Impact of Wind Turbines on Landscape and Visual Amenity Guidance and the Landscape Capacity and Sensitivity Studies be approved as supporting documentation to the SPG and the forthcoming Revised LDP;

to authorise the Head of Planning to correct typographical, cartographical or grammatical errors, and to make amendments in order to enhance accuracy and clarity of meaning.”

8.2. CHANGE OF NAME OF QUARTER BACH COMMUNITY COUNCIL AND TRELECH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

(NOTE: Councillors G. Davies and M.J.A. Lewis declared an interest in this item and remained in the Council Chamber during its consideration by the Council)

Council was informed that the Executive Board, at its meeting held on the 30th April, 2018 (Minute 10 refers) considered a report on requests received from the Clerks of Quarter Bach Community Council and Trelech Community Council to change the names to 'Cwarter Bach Community Council and Trelech a'r Betws Community Council respectively.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the following recommendation of the Executive Board to Council be accepted

“that it approves the change of names of Quarter Bach Community Council to Cwarter Bach Community Council and Trelech Community Council to Trelech a'r Betws Community Council.”

8.3. SWANSEA BAY CITY DEAL

The Council was informed that the Executive Board at its meeting held on the 4th June, 2018 (Minute 6 refers) had considered a report on the formal establishment of the Swansea Bay City Deal (SBCD) Joint Committee and Associated funding streams.

Council was reminded that it had previously, together with the three local authorities of Swansea, Neath and Port Talbot and Pembrokeshire signed a City Deal Agreement (Heads of Terms) worth a total of £1.3bn which had been signed by both the U.K. and Welsh Governments on the 20th March 2018. Subsequent thereto the SBCD had been operating in shadow form and the current report set out a legal framework within which it could operate as a Joint Committee incorporating governance arrangements and associated funding streams for Council's approval. It was noted that, if adopted by the Council, the report would require the endorsement of the other three SBCD local authorities by the end of July 2018.

During consideration of the report reference was made to part 5.0 thereof relating to the membership of the Joint Committee comprising 12 members, three from each of the constituent local authorities. An assurance was sought, and given, that Carmarthenshire's representations on the Joint Committee would be politically balanced with one member from each of its political groups

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the following recommendations of the Executive Board be adopted:

“The establishment of the Swansea Bay City Deal (SBCD) Joint Committee and associated governance structure be approved;

The Draft Joint Committee Agreement be endorsed and delegated authority be granted to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader, to make such minor amendments to the Agreement as are required and agreed between the partner authorities and the U.K and Welsh Governments to finalise the Agreement;

The establishment of the Swansea Bay City Deal Joint Scrutiny Committee be endorsed;

It endorse the proposal that Carmarthenshire County Council contributes £50k per annum over 5 years to jointly cover operating costs for the Joint Committee, Economic Strategy Board, Programme Board, Joint Scrutiny Committee, Accountable Body and Regional Office functions and approves the principle that further funding is provided equivalent to the 1.5% top slice of the City Deal funding allocation, The agreement of the basis of the provision of this funding to be delegated to the Director of Corporate Services in consultation with the Executive Board Member for Resources;

The Director of Corporate Services (Section 151 Officer) be authorised to explore and implement the most appropriate proportionate borrowing to fund regional projects delivered in

Council respective areas;

The Director of Corporate Services be authorised to negotiate with colleague Directors the most appropriate allocation basis for the regional non domestic rate retention in respect of the 11 projects”.

8.4. DRAFT NEW CORPORATE STRATEGY 2018-23

The Council was informed that the Executive Board at its meeting held on the 4th June, 2018 (Minute 7 refers) had considered the Council’s Draft New Corporate Strategy for 2018-23. If adopted by the Council, it would replace the existing Strategy published in 2015 and consolidate the following plans into one document:

- the 2015-20 Corporate Strategy;
- the Improvement Objectives, as required by the Local Government Measure 2009;
- The Wellbeing Objectives as required by the Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 – these did not have to change every year, or be deliverable within one year and it was perfectly legitimate to set objectives which spanned more than one year;
- Carmarthenshire County Council’s Executive Board key projects and Programmes for the next 5 years, as set out in “Moving Forward in Carmarthenshire: the next 5 years”.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the following recommendations of the Executive Board be adopted:-

“A new Corporate Strategy be introduced to replace the current Corporate Strategy published in 2015 to include the Well-being Objectives and Improvement Objectives and incorporating the key projects and programmes set out in “Moving Forward in Carmarthenshire the next Five Years; The same set of Well-being Objectives for 2018/19 be retained together with an additional objective on Building a Better Council and Making Better Use of Resources”.

8.5. CARTREFI CROESO LTD - FINANCING REQUIREMENT, APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS AND SHAREHOLDERS AGREEMENT DELEGATION

(NOTE:

- Councillor H.A.L. Evans having previously declared an interest in this item left the Council Chamber during its consideration by the Council.
- J. Morgan – Director of Communities and W. Walters (Director of Regeneration and Policy) declared an interest in this item and left the meeting during its consideration by the Council)

The Council was informed that the Executive Board at its meeting held on the 4th June, 2018 (Minute 8 refers) had considered a report on the Council’s previous decision to establish Cartrefi Croeso Ltd, a wholly owned council housing company to build homes for sale and rent and to act as a catalyst for further regeneration activities.

In accordance with that decision the Council was being requested to consider a report on the following items in relation to the Company's operation:

- The company's financing requirement – incorporating the company's high level 2018-2023 Business Plan;
- The process for the appointment of directors;
- Shareholders Agreement Delegation.

RESOLVED that the following recommendations of the Executive Board be adopted:-

Financing Requirements:

To note the Company's high level 2018-2023 Business Plan as developed by the Council's Housing Department/Communities Directorate, which will be refined following the detailed project feasibility studies and site investigations;

To agree to meet the Company's 2017/18 establishment costs from existing revenue budgets to a maximum of £100,000;

To agree an Operating Cost Loan to the Company in respect of its 2018/19 operating costs to a maximum of £280,000. This to be transferred in 25% tranches, quarterly, in advance;

To agree a further Project Development Loan of a maximum of £750k, to be released in agreed tranches, to develop the detailed business of the company for further Council consideration. This loan will be utilised to progress:

- Further development appraisal of eight sites, including 2 rural projects. This is to include detailed valuation, state aid, legal and taxation advice;
- Detailed and comprehensive scheme development proposals/site investigations for three sites, including one rural, including
- Completing detailed financial modelling and securing associated legal and taxation advice;
- Developing an effective procurement strategy;
- Commissioning detailed technical appraisals and associated surveys such as site, soil, transport and ecological;
- Undertaking liaison with utilities and statutory bodies;
- Commissioning of detailed design brief and specification statement (which will also be utilised for following projects);
- Receiving pre planning advice and completing pre planning consultation.

An initial £250,000 of the detailed Project Development Loan will be made available to the Company to progress the proof of concept. Approval of the release of further tranches of funding (up to the loan limit) is delegated to The Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Services, which will be released upon satisfactory commercial appraisal of the initial three proof of concept sites;

It is noted that requests for further loans for major development expenditure (for example, land transfer, professional fees, construction costs) will come forward as and when necessary and will form part of the detailed business plan to be completed once the individual site appraisals have been finalised;

Loan finance will be available at 3.5% above the rate set by the Public Works Loan Board (PWLB) for the Operating Cost Loan and 2.2% above the PWLB rate for the Project Development Loan. The conclusion of the detailed loan agreement to be delegated to the Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Services

Appointment of Directors

The appointment and removal of Company Directors will be made by the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, on behalf of the Executive Board;

That the Director for Communities (Jake Morgan), and Director of Regeneration and Policy (Wendy Walters) are appointed as directors of the company;

That a formal process is agreed for the appointment of the remaining Directors.

Delegation of Issues relating to the Shareholder Agreement

To delegate, (where possible) to the Chief Executive, following consultation with the Director of Corporate Services, authority to act on behalf of the shareholder with relation to the Shareholder Agreement”.

8.6. MODERNISING EDUCATION PROGRAMME - PROPOSAL TO INCREASE THE CAPACITY OF GORSLAS COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL FROM 110 TO 210

(NOTE: Councillors D. Price and A. Vaughan Owen declared an interest in this item and remained in the Council Chamber during its consideration by the Council)

DURATION OF MEETING

At 1.00 p.m. duration consideration of this item the Council’s attention was drawn to Corporate Procedure Rule 9 ‘Duration of Meeting’ and the fact the meeting had been underway for three hours. It was therefore

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that Corporate Procedure Rules be suspended to allow the remaining items on the agenda to be considered.

The Council was informed that the Executive Board at its meeting held on the 4th June, 2018 (Minute 15 refers) had considered a report on the outcome of the Statutory Consultation undertaken by the Council on its proposal to increase the capacity of Gorslas Community Primary School from 110-210.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the following recommendation of the Executive Board be adopted:-

“that being satisfied there were no other related proposals; that the statutory proposal had been consulted upon and published in accordance with the School Organisation Code and contained all the relevant information and, having considered the consultation document and consultation report, and that no objections had been received in response to the Statutory Notice, the Council implement the proposal as laid out in the Statutory Notice”.

8.7. MODERNISING EDUCATION PROGRAMME - PROPOSAL TO PROVIDE NURSERY PROVISION AT YSGOL PARC Y TYWYN BY INCREASING ITS AGE RANGE FROM 4-11 TO 3-11

(NOTE:

- Councillor B. Jones declared an interest in this item and left the Council Chamber during its consideration by the Council
- Councillors A. Fox, J.D James and H.B. Shepardson declared an interest in this item and remained in the Council Chamber during its consideration by the Council)

The Council was informed that the Executive Board at its meeting held on the 4th June, 2018 (Minute 16 refers) had considered a report on the outcome of the Statutory Consultation undertaken by the Council on its proposal to provide nursery provision at Ysgol Parc Y Tywyn by increasing its age range from 4-11 to 3-11.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the following recommendation of the Executive Board be adopted:-

“that being satisfied there were no other related proposals; that the statutory proposal had been consulted upon and published in accordance with the School Organisation Code and contained all the relevant information and, having considered the consultation document and consultation report, and that no objections had been received in response to the Statutory Notice, the Council implement the proposal as laid out in the Statutory Notice”.

8.8. REVISED CARMARTHENSHIRE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2018 - 2033 DRAFT DELIVERY AGREEMENT

The Council was informed that the Executive Board at its meeting held on the 4th June, 2018 (Minute 20 refers) had considered a report on the Draft Delivery Agreement, produced in response to its decision on the 10th January, 2018 to formally commence preparation on a revised (replacement) Local Development Plan and following public consultation thereon which expired on the 23rd March, 2018. It was noted that subject to Council confirming the Draft Agreement, it would then need to be submitted to the Welsh Government for Approval. Subject to that approval, the Council would then have a period of 3.5 years to deliver the Plan by the 2021 deadline.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the following recommendations of the Executive Board be adopted:

**“That the representations received be noted and the recommendations in respect of the Draft Delivery Agreement be ratified;
The amendments to the timetable be approved;**

That the submission of the Delivery Agreement (inclusive of the report recommendations) to the Welsh Government for agreement be approved;

The extension of the consultation period for the submission of candidate sites to the 29th August, 2018 be noted”.

9. TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD HELD ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:-

9.1. 30TH APRIL, 2018

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the report of the above meeting be received.

9.2. 14TH MAY, 2018

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the report of the above meeting be received

10. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED, pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information)(Variation) (Wales) Order 2007, that the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item as the report contained exempt information as defined in paragraph 13 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

11. NOMINATION FOR THE HONORARY FREEDOM OF THE COUNTY OF CARMARTHENSHIRE

Following the application of the public interest test it was UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED, pursuant to the Act referred to in Minute 10 above, to consider this matter in private, with the public excluded from the meeting as the report contains information which reveals the identity of an individual being nominated for the Freedom of the County. Although the public interest would normally favour transparency and openness this is outweighed by the public interest in maintain confidentiality in this case because the nominee would be unaware of the nomination and should not be placed in the position of having his or her identity disclosed when a vote had yet to be taken on whether the freedom of the County was to be awarded.

The Council considered a report on a request received for the conferment of Honorary Freedom of the County.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the Freedom of the County be conferred upon the individual detailed in the report, and that a suitable acceptance

ceremony be arranged as part of the Council meeting scheduled to be held on the 11th July, 2018.

CHAIR

DATE