

# **CABINET MEMBER FOR RESOURCES**

**THURSDAY**, 18 May 2023

**PRESENT: Councillor:** A. Lenny (Cabinet Member).

**The following officers were in attendance:**

A Thomas, Revenue Services Manager

E. Hughes, Senior Asset Management Surveyor

K. Thomas, Democratic Services Officer

Virtual Meeting - 10.00 - 10.10 am

**1. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST**

There were no declarations of personal interest.

**2. TO SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE DECISION RECORD OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 16TH MARCH 2003**

**RESOLVED** that the decision record for the meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2023 be signed as a correct record.

**3. REPORTS NOT FOR PUBLICATION**

**RESOLVED** pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information)(Variation)(Wales) Order 2007 that the following items were not for publication as the reports contained exempt information as defined in Paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

**4. COUNCIL TAX - DISCRETIONARY DISCOUNTS**

Following the application of the public interest test it was **RESOLVED** pursuant to the Act referred to in minute 4 above not to publicise the content of the report as it contained exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information) (Paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act).

The public interest test in this matter related to applications for the discretionary reduction of Council Tax and that in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption under paragraph 14 of Schedule 12A of the 1972 Act outweighed the public interest in disclosing had the potential to have a disproportionate effect upon the individuals concerned and was not necessary for any of the purposes specified in the Data Protection Act 2018.

The Cabinet Member considered a report detailing applications received for discretionary reduction of Council Tax.

It was noted that regulations had been introduced with effect from April 2004 giving local authorities discretionary powers to grant locally determined Council

Tax discounts or reductions, over and above existing statutory reductions. While delegated authority was granted to the Head of Financial Services to determine applications falling within specific criteria, applications falling outside those criteria were to be determined by the Cabinet Member for Resources:

**RESOLVED** that the awards of council tax discretionary reduction, as detailed in Appendix A to the report be approved.

**5. PARCGWYN FARM, LAUGHARNE, CARMARTHENSHIRE, SA33 4RD**

Following the application of the public interest test it was **RESOLVED** pursuant to the Act referred to in minute 4 above not to publicise the content of the report as it contained exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information) (Paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act).

The public interest test in this matter in maintaining the above exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the content of the report as disclosure would put the authority at a material disadvantage in any subsequent negotiations with third parties and potentially harm the public purse

The Cabinet Member considered a report on the future of Parcgwyn Farm Laugharne

**RESOLVED** that Option 3 detailed in the report be adopted for the future of Parcgwyn Farm Laugharne

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**DATE**