

# EXECUTIVE BOARD

Monday, 5 October 2020

**PRESENT:** Councillor E. Dole (Chair)

**Councillors:**

C.A. Campbell, G. Davies, H.A.L. Evans, L.D. Evans, P.M. Hughes, P. Hughes-Griffiths, D.M. Jenkins, L.M. Stephens and J. Tremlett

**Also in attendance:**

Councillor D.M. Cundy

**The following Officers were in attendance:**

W. Walters, Chief Executive

J. Morgan, Director of Community Services

C. Moore, Director of Corporate Services

G. Morgans, Director of Education & Children's Services

R. Mullen, Director of Environment

L.R. Jones, Head of Administration and Law

P.R. Thomas, Assistant Chief Executive (People Management & Performance)

G. Ayers, Corporate Policy and Partnership Manager

I.R. Llewelyn, Forward Planning Manager

L. Jenkins, Executive Board Support Officer

D. Hockenhull, Marketing and Media Manager

S. Rees, Simultaneous Translator

J. Corner, Technical Officer

J. Hawker, Digital Support Officer

E. Bryer, Democratic Services Officer

M.S. Davies, Democratic Services Officer

K. Thomas, Democratic Services Officer

**Virtual Meeting - . - 10.00 - 10.33 am**

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

There were no apologies for absence.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST.**

There were no declarations of personal interest.

**3. TO SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD HELD ON THE 21ST SEPTEMBER, 2020**

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Executive Board held on the 21<sup>st</sup> September, 2020 be signed as a correct record.

**4. CARMARTHENSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2019/20**

The Executive Board considered Carmarthenshire County Council's Annual Report for 2019/20 produced in accordance with the requirements of both the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2009 and the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015. It was noted that the report must be published by the end of October each year to comply with the Measure

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL that Carmarthenshire County Council's Annual Report for 2019/20 be approved.**

**5. QUARTERLY TREASURY MANAGEMENT AND PRUDENTIAL INDICATOR REPORT - 1ST APRIL 2020 TO 30TH JUNE 2020**

The Executive Board, in accordance with the Council's decision on the 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2020, considered an update report on the treasury management activities and the prudential indicators for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the report be approved.**

**6. SWANSEA BAY CITY DEAL JOINT COMMITTEE AGREEMENT**

The Executive Board considered a report seeking the Council's endorsement to the Swansea Bay City Deal Joint Committee's decision to amend Clause 7 of Schedule 12 of the Joint Committee Agreement relating to the Joint Scrutiny Committee Quorum arrangements in so far as it related to the deletion of Clause 7.1 and its replacement by the following:

"The Quorum for meetings shall be no less than 6 members, which must include at least 1 member from each of the 4 Authorities. The Joint Scrutiny Committee is not permitted to scrutinise a matter relating to a project if a member representative of the Council's involved in that project is not present at the meeting"

The Executive Board was advised that for any amendment to the Joint Committee Agreement to come into effect, it would first need to be considered by the Joint Committee and then placed before each of the 4 four local authorities to consider and adopt. In accordance with that agreement, the Joint Committee had considered the amendment on the 9<sup>th</sup> July 2020 and it was now being presented to each of the 4 authorities for confirmation

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL:**

- 6.1 to endorse the decision of the Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee to amend the Joint Scrutiny Committee quorum arrangements, as detailed within the report.**
- 6.2 to authorise the Head of Administration and Law to enter into a deed of variation to effect the changes to the Joint Committee Agreement.**

**7. REVISED CARMARTHENSHIRE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2018 - 2033**

The Executive Board considered a report on the revised Delivery Agreement and Covid-19 Update in relation to the adoption of the Revised Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan 2018-2033.

The Board was reminded that Council at its meeting held on the 13<sup>th</sup> November 2019 had endorsed a 6 week public consultation (subsequently extended to 8 weeks) on the Deposit Revised LDP 2018-2033 together with its supporting documents (Habitat Regulations Assessment and Sustainability Appraisal) and two draft Supplementary Planning Guidance. The Board was also reminded that an additional 3-week consultation has been undertaken in response to the impacts of the lockdown. The current report reflected on the implications of Covid 19 on that consultation and the current preparation of the revised LDP. It also considered the implications of the outbreak on the timetable for the adoption of the LDP and the proposal to revise the Delivery Agreement (and its component timetable and Community Involvement Scheme (CIS)) ahead of submission to the Welsh Government for Agreement.

The Executive Board's attention was drawn to the recommendation within the report to write to the Minister for Housing and Local Government requesting an amendment to the legislation regarding the "drop dead" provisions for the current LDP. It was advised that correspondence had now been received from the Minister confirming those provisions would not apply to Local Authorities whose plans were in place by the 4<sup>th</sup> January 2016. As the Council's LDP had been adopted in 2014, the legislation would not therefore apply, and it would continue to form the basis for decision making until it was superseded by the emerging Revised LDP. Consequently, the recommendation in the report to write to the Minister could be withdrawn

#### **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL:**

- 7.1 To endorse the continued progress of the Revised Local Development Plan 2018-2033 (and supporting documents) and the approach outlined within the report;**
- 7.2 To approve the Revision of the Delivery Agreement to include a 7-month extension to the timetable and other consequential amendments, including those arising from Covid-19;**
- 7.3 To grant officers delegated authority to make non-substantive typographical, cartographical and/or factual amendments as necessary to improve the clarity and accuracy of the Draft Deposit Revised Local Development Plan.**

**8. ANY OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS THAT BY REASONS OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES THE CHAIR DECIDES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY PURSUANT TO SECTION 100B(4)(B) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1972.**

The Chair advised that there were no items of urgent business.

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**CHAIR**

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**DATE**