

EXECUTIVE BOARD

26 APRIL 2021

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 J.S. Edmunds and Councillor D.M. Cundy.

The following Officers were in attendance:

W. Walters, Chief Executive;
J. Morgan, Director of Community Services;
G. Morgans, Director of Education & Children's Services;
R. Mullen, Director of Environment;
P.R. Thomas, Assistant Chief Executive (People Management & Performance);
R. Hemingway, Head of Financial Services;
J. Jones, Head of Regeneration;
L.R. Jones, Head of Administration and Law;
D. Hockenull, Marketing and Media Manager;
M. Evans Thomas, Principal Democratic Services Officer;
L. Jenkins, Executive Board Support Officer;
J. Corner, Technical Officer;
S. Rees, Simultaneous Translator;
E. Bryer, Democratic Services Officer;
J. Owen, Democratic Services Officer.

Virtual Meeting: 10:00am - 10:30am

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

The Chair, at this point, referred to the incident at Nantycaws recycling centre and invited Councillor Hazel Evans, Executive Board Member for Environment to update the Board.

Councillor Hazel Evans informed the Board that on Saturday, 24th April 2021 a fire had broken out at the Nantycaws Recycling Centre, Carmarthen. The alarm was raised at approximately 3.30pm alerting Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service who had arrived and successfully contained the fire. It was reported that, it was a significant fire which had occurred at the Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) where the blue bags containing recyclable waste was taken for sorting. It was fortunate that as the fire had occurred after a shift, no-one was injured as a result of the incident.

Furthermore, Councillor Evans explained that it was pleasing to report that CWM Environmental Ltd had the situation under control in accordance with their fire procedure. The company was currently working closely with the Fire Service and an investigation into the cause would be launched as soon as practicable. Natural Resources Wales have also visited the site to assess the situation.

In order to safeguard the local environment, the water management plan in place to deal with the run-off from the water was successfully utilised during the dowsing period used to control the fire. The water was being managed and contained within the on-site lagoon.

Councillor Evans took this opportunity to express her sincere thanks to Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service, NRW, CWM Environmental and Council officers for their swift response in dealing with this situation. Our internal teams together with CWM Environmental have also worked hard to ensure that any disruption to our public was minimised.

2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST

Councillor	Minute Number	Nature of Interest
Glynog Davies	10 - Llanelli Town Centre - 8/12 Vaughan Street.	Councillor Davies has a personal interest in the neighbouring property.

3. TO SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD HELD ON THE 12TH APRIL, 2021

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Executive Board held on the 12th April, 2021 be signed as a correct record.

4. QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BY MEMBERS

The Chair advised that no questions on notice had been submitted by members.

5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

The Chair advised that no public questions had been received.

6. DYFED PENSION FUND BOARD TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Executive Board considered a report which sought the Boards agreement for a recommendation to Council for the Terms of Reference of the Dyfed Pension Fund Board to be revised with a view to it being incorporated into the Council's Constitution.

It was reported that the Dyfed Pension Fund Board sat alongside the Pension Fund Committee and assisted the Administering Authority with securing compliance with regulations and requirements imposed by the Pensions Regulator and also assisted in ensuring effective and efficient governance and administration of the Scheme.

The Terms of Reference initially approved by Executive Board on 19th January, 2015 when the Dyfed Pension Fund Pension Board was established had been revised to reflect current practises and the report proposed the following revisions:

- A provision that the Board may agree to submit reports to the Pension Committee where appropriate.
- Previously, term dates for Board members could be extended by 3 months due to exceptional circumstances. This has been revised by up to a year.
- Previously, there was a provision that the Board Chair could attend Committee meetings as an observer, however, the Terms of Reference has been updated to allow the Chair to formally report to the Committee on Board matters.
- Previously, there was a provision that the Committee Chair could attend Board meetings as an observer, however, this has been updated to allow the Chair of the Committee to formally report to the Board where necessary.
- There are 7 members of the Board, with the Chair not previously having a voting right. There is currently no provision for a tied vote, and it is now included that the Chair will have a vote only in a scenario of a tied vote.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL that the terms of reference of the Dyfed Pension Fund Pension Board be revised as stated in the report and incorporated into the council's constitution.

7. DEVELOPMENT OF THE FORMER GRILLO SITE, BURRY PORT

The Executive Board considered a report which sought the Boards approval to dispose of the former Grillo site and Site 6, Burry Port, through an open procurement procedure, in order to enable the delivery of a residential scheme with possible commercial uses.

The Board noted that the development site of 12.9 acres, highlighted within Appendix 1, appended to the report was a key element of the Council's regeneration aspirations for Burry Port and formed part of the Burry Port Masterplan. The objective of the Masterplan was to ensure the future wellbeing of Burry Port and its surrounding areas by creating residential, leisure and employment developments, which would promote Burry Port as a place to visit, live and work in.

Furthermore, the site would form the first phase of this development by regenerating brownfield land, in order to provide approximately 320 new homes with possible retail and leisure facilities. The Board noted that a further, adjacent site, of approximately 2.28 acres to the south, would be brought forward as a second phase, at a later date, to provide circa 40 residential units, within a waterfront location.

It was raised that it was important to support the local economy by encouraging local business to tender as far as possible within the procurement rules.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the disposal of the former Grillo site and Site 6, Burry Port, through an open procurement procedure, to enable the delivery of a residential scheme with possible commercial uses be approved.

8. ANY OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS

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

9. 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 items as the reports contained exempt information as defined in paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

11. LLANELLI TOWN CENTRE - 8/12 VAUGHAN STREET

[Note: Councillor Davies, whilst having earlier declared a personal interest took part in the consideration and decision of the report].

Following the application of the public interest test it was **RESOLVED** pursuant to the Act referred to in minute no. 9 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 respect of this report outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information contained therein as disclosure would put the authority at a material disadvantage in any subsequent negotiations with third parties and potentially harm the public purse.

The Executive Board considered a report which provided detailed information on a proposal to acquire 8/12 Vaughan Street, Llanelli in accordance with the specified terms. The property located within a prime location in Llanelli town centre would facilitate the Authority's aspirations to regenerate the town.

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that proposal to acquire 8/12 Vaughan Street, Llanelli on the terms specified within the report be approved.

CHAIR

DATE