#### VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL

Decision Notice – Hybrid Meeting, 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2025.

The Council agenda is available here.

The recording of the meeting is available <u>here</u>.

Present: Councillor Naomi Marshallsea (Deputy Mayor); Councillors Anne Asbrey, Julie Aviet, Gareth Ball, Rhiannon Birch, Bronwen Brooks, Gillian Bruce, Ian Buckley, Lis Burnett, Samantha Campbell, George Carroll, Christine Cave, Charles Champion, Janice Charles, Millie Collins, Marianne Cowpe, Pamela Drake, Vince Driscoll, Anthony Ernest, Christopher Franks, Wendy Gilligan, Russell Godfrey, Emma Goodjohn, Ewan Goodjohn, Stephen Haines, Sally Hanks, William Hennessy, Nic Hodges, Mark Hooper, Catherine Iannucci-Williams, Gwyn John, Dr. Ian Johnson, Susan Lloyd-Selby, Belinda Loveluck-Edwards, Julie Lynch-Wilson, Kevin Mahoney, Michael Morgan, Jayne Norman, Helen Payne, Sandra Perkes, Ian Perry, Joanna Protheroe, Ruba Sivagnanam, Carys Stallard, Neil Thomas, Rhys Thomas, Steffan Wiliam, Margaret Wilkinson, Edward Williams, Mark Wilson and Nicholas Wood.

# AGENDA ITEM 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE –

These were received from Councillors Robert Fisher, Howard Hamilton and Elliot Penn (Mayor).

#### AGENDA ITEM 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –

The following declarations of interest were received:

Councillor A. Asbrey	Agenda Item No. 7 – Motion – Changes to State Pension. Councillor Asbrey had a personal interest in Item 7 in that she could be impacted by any changes but she did not consider it to be a prejudicial interest at this stage.
Councillor J. Aviet	Agenda Item No. 7 – Motion – Changes to State Pension Councillor Aviet declared a personal and prejudicial interest in that she could be impacted by any changes and Councillor Aviet vacated the meeting whilst this matter was being discussed.

Councillor J. Aviet	Agenda Item No. 11(e) – Draft Budget 2025/26 and Medium Term Financial Plan 2025/26 to 2029/30 2024/25. Councillor Aviet had a personal interest in the matter as she was a Council tenant, however she did not have a prejudicial interest having regard to paragraph 19.3.3 (ii) (A) of the Council's Code of Conduct.
Councillor J. Aviet	Agenda Item No. 11(f) – Pay Policy 2025/26. Councillor Aviet had a personal and prejudicial interest as a family member was a Council employee however, she had a dispensation granted by the Standards Committee to speak and vote on matters relating to employee terms and conditions.
Councillor B Brooks	Agenda Item No. 7 – Motion – Changes to State Pension Councillor Brooks declared a personal and prejudicial interest in that she could be impacted by any changes and vacated the meeting when this item was being discussed.
Councillor G. Bruce	Agenda Item No. 7 – Motion – Changes to State Pension Councillor Bruce declared a personal and prejudicial interest in that she could be impacted by any changes and vacated the meeting when this item was being discussed.
Councillor G. Bruce	Agenda Item No. 11(f) – Pay Policy 2025/26. Councillor Bruce had a personal and prejudicial interest as a family member was an employee of the Authority and vacated the meeting when this item was being discussed.
Councillor I. Buckley	Agenda Item No. 11(f) – Pay Policy 2025/26. Councillor Buckley had a personal and prejudicial interest as a family member was an employee of

	the Authority. However, Councillor Buckley had a dispensation from the Standards Committee to speak and vote on matters relating to employee terms and conditions.
Councillor L. Burnett	Agenda Item No. 7 – Motion – Changes to State Pension Councillor Burnett declared a personal and prejudicial interest in that she could be impacted by any changes and vacated the meeting whilst this matter was being discussed.
Councillor C. Cave	Agenda Item No. 7 – Motion – Changes to State Pension Councillor Cave declared a personal and prejudicial interest in that she could be impacted by any changes and vacated the meeting whilst this matter was being discussed.
Councillor C. Champion	Agenda Item No. 11(f) – Pay Policy 2025/26. Councillor Champion advised that he had previously been granted a dispensation from the Standards Committee as a family member was an employee of the Authority. However, this was now not the case.
Councillor J. Charles	Agenda Item No. 7 – Motion – Changes to State Pension Councillor Charles declared a personal and prejudicial interest in that she could be impacted by any changes and vacated the meeting whilst this matter was being discussed.
Councillor C.M. Cowpe	Agenda Item No. 7 – Motion – Changes to State Pension. Councillor Cowpe had a personal interest in Item 7 in that she could be impacted by any changes but she did not consider it

	to be a prejudicial interest at this stage.
Councillor C.P. Franks	Agenda Item No. 7 – Motion – Changes to State Pension. Councillor Franks had a Personal and prejudicial in the item as he had family members who could be impacted by any changes and vacated the meeting whilst the matter was being discussed.
Councillor W. Gilligan	Agenda Item No. 7 – Motion – Changes to State Pension. Councillor Gilligan had a Personal and prejudicial in the item as she had family members who could be impacted by any changes.
Councillor Emma Goodjohn	Agenda Item 11(e) – Draft Budget 2025/26 and Medium Term Financial Plan 2025/26 to 2029/30. Councillor Goodjohn had a dispensation granted by the Standards Committee to speak and vote on general matters relating to Community Centres.
Councillor S.M. Hanks	Agenda Item No. 7 – Motion – Changes to State Pension Councillor Hanks declared a personal and prejudicial interest in that she could be impacted by any changes and vacated the meeting whilst this matter was being discussed.
Councillor W.A. Hennessy	Agenda Item No. 11(e) – Draft Budget 2025/26 and Medium Term Financial Plan 2025/26 to 2029/30 Councillor Hennessy had a personal interest in the matters as he was a Council tenant, however he did not have a prejudicial interest having regard to paragraph 19.3.3 (ii) (A) of the Council's Code of Conduct.
Councillor Dr. I.J. Johnson	Agenda Item 7 – Motion – Changes to State Pension. Councillor

	Dr. Johnson declared a personal interest in that family members may be impacted by any changes but not a prejudicial interest at this stage.
Councillor Dr. I.J. Johnson	Agenda Item No. 11(e) – Draft Budget 2025/26 and Medium Term Financial Plan 2025/26 to 2029/30 Councillor Dr. Johnson declared a personal and prejudicial interest relating to associated matters with Jenner Park but that he had been granted by the Standards Committee a dispensation to speak and vote.
Councillor S. Lloyd-Selby	Agenda Item No. 7 – Motion – Changes to State Pension Councillor Lloyd-Selby declared a personal and prejudicial interest in that both family members and herself could be impacted by any changes and vacated the meeting whilst this matter was being discussed.
Councillor H. M. Payne	Agenda Item No. 7 – Motion – Changes to State Pension Councillor Payne declared a personal and prejudicial interest in that she had family members who could be impacted by any changes and vacated the meeting whilst this matter was being discussed.
Councillor H.M. Payne	Agenda Item No. 11(f) –Pay Policy 2025/26. Councillor Payne advised that she had previously been granted a dispensation from the Standards Committee as a family member was an employee of the Authority. However, this was now not the case.
Councillor M.R. Wilkinson	Agenda Item No 11(e) – Draft Budget 2025/26 and Medium Term Financial Plan 2025/26 to 2029/30. Councillor Wilkinson had a personal interest in the matter as a Council tenant, however she did not

	have a prejudicial interest having regard to paragraph 19.3.3 (ii) (A) of the Council's Code of Conduct.
Councillor M.R. Wilkinson	Agenda Item No. 11(f) – Pay Policy 2025/26. Councillor Wilkinson had a personal and prejudicial interest as a family member was an employee however, she had a dispensation granted by the Standards Committee to speak and vote on matters relating to employee terms and conditions.

# AGENDA ITEM 3. MINUTES –

RESOLVED – T H A T the minutes of the meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2024 and the three Special Meetings held on 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2025 be approved as a correct record.

AGENDA ITEM 6. TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING NOTICE OF MOTION [SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLORS DR. I.J. JOHNSON AND C.M. COWPE] –

## **Devolution of the Crown Estate -**

This Council believes that Welsh Government should have responsibility for the Crown Estate and its assets in Wales, allowing profits from the Crown Estate within Wales to be reinvested in Wales, as the Scottish Government are able to do in Scotland where they already have these powers.

Council further notes the continuing challenging financial situation of Local Authorities in Wales, and believes it unfair that ordinary residents face higher bills and reduced services whilst profits made in Wales are expatriated.

Council agrees to write to the UK Prime Minister and Welsh Government First Minister to express our support for the devolution of the Crown Estate to the Welsh Government.

A recorded vote took place on the Motion as follows:

Members	For	Against	Abstain
Anne Asbrey	V		
Julie Aviet	V		

Gareth Ball	V		
Rhiannon Birch	V		
Bronwen Brooks	√		
Gillian Bruce		V	
Ian Buckley	√		
Lis Burnett	√		
Samantha Campbell	√		
George Carroll		√	
Christine Cave		V	
Charles Champion		V	
Janice Charles		V	
Millie Collins	√		
Marianne Cowpe	√		
Pamela Drake	√		
Vincent Driscoll		V	
Anthony Ernest		V	
Christopher Franks	√		
Wendy Gilligan	√		
Russell Godfrey		V	
Emma Goodjohn	√		
Ewan Goodjohn	V		
Stephen Haines		V	
Sally Hanks	√		
William Hennessy		√	

Nic Hodges	√		
Mark Hooper	V		
Catherine lannucci-Williams	V		
Gwyn John	V		
Dr. lan Johnson	V		
Susan Lloyd-Selby	$\sqrt{}$		
Belinda Loveluck-Edwards	$\sqrt{}$		
Julie Lynch-Wilson	$\sqrt{}$		
Kevin Mahoney	$\sqrt{}$		
Naomi Marshallsea	$\sqrt{}$		
Michael Morgan	$\sqrt{}$		
Jayne Norman	$\sqrt{}$		
Helen Payne	$\sqrt{}$		
Sandra Perkes	$\sqrt{}$		
lan Perry	$\sqrt{}$		
Joanna Protheroe	$\sqrt{}$		
Ruba Sivagnanam	V		
Carys Stallard	V		
Neil Thomas	V		
Rhys Thomas		<b>√</b>	
Steffan Wiliam	V		
Margaret Wilkinson	V		
Eddie Williams	V		
Mark Wilson	$\sqrt{}$		

Nicholas Wood		V	
TOTAL	39	12	

RESOLVED – T H A T a letter be sent to the UK Prime Minister and Welsh Government First Minister to express the Council's support for the devolution of the Crown Estate to the Welsh Government.

## Reason for decision

Having regard to the vote being carried on the motion.

AGENDA ITEM 7. TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING NOTICE OF MOTION [SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLORS DR. I.J. JOHNSON AND M. HOOPER ] –

# Changes to State Pension Age for Women -

The Vale of Glamorgan Council notes the findings of the Ombudsman's report on the failings of the UK Department of Work and Pensions to communicate with women regarding changes to the state pension age.

Council recognises the impact of this maladministration upon women living in the Vale of Glamorgan, and agrees to write to the Prime Minister to request that his government reconsiders the payment of compensation for affected women, and honours the report of the Ombudsman's inquiry into this matter.

A recorded vote took place on the Motion as follows:

Members	For	Against	Abstain
Anne Asbrey	$\sqrt{}$		
Julie Aviet*			
Gareth Ball	V		
Rhiannon Birch	V		
Bronwen Brooks*			
Gillian Bruce*			
lan Buckley	V		

Lis Burnett*			
Samantha Campbell	√		
George Carroll		√	
Christine Cave*			
Charles Champion		$\sqrt{}$	
Janice Charles*			
Millie Collins	$\checkmark$		
Marianne Cowpe	$\checkmark$		
Pamela Drake	$\checkmark$		
Vincent Driscoll		V	
Anthony Ernest			V
Christopher Franks*			
Wendy Gilligan*			V
Russell Godfrey		V	
Emma Goodjohn	V		
Ewan Goodjohn	V		
Stephen Haines		V	
Sally Hanks*			
William Hennessy		$\sqrt{}$	
Nic Hodges	$\sqrt{}$		
Mark Hooper	V		
Catherine lannucci-Williams	V		
Gwyn John	V		
Dr. lan Johnson	V		

Susan Lloyd-Selby*			
Belinda Loveluck-Edwards	V		
Julie Lynch-Wilson	V		
Kevin Mahoney	√		
Naomi Marshallsea	<b>√</b>		
Michael Morgan	$\checkmark$		
Jayne Norman	V		
Helen Payne*			
Sandra Perkes	$\checkmark$		
lan Perry			<b>√</b>
Joanna Protheroe	$\checkmark$		
Ruba Sivagnanam	$\checkmark$		
Carys Stallard	$\sqrt{}$		
Neil Thomas	$\sqrt{}$		
Rhys Thomas		√	
Steffan Wiliam	V		
Margaret Wilkinson	$\sqrt{}$		
Eddie Williams	V		
Mark Wilson	<b>V</b>		
Nicholas Wood		√	
TOTAL	30	8	3

N.B. \* Having declared an interest in this item, Councillors Aviet, Brooks, Bruce, Burnett, Cave, Charles, Franks, Hanks, Lloyd-Selby and Payne were not present when this item was considered.

RESOLVED – T H A T a letter be sent to the Prime Minister to request that his government reconsiders the payment of compensation for affected women, and honours the report of the Ombudsman's inquiry into this matter.

# Reason for decision

Having regard to the vote being carried on the Motion.

AGENDA ITEM 8. PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE MINIMUM REVENUE PROVISION 2024/25 POLICY (REF) –

RESOLVED – T H A T the proposed amendments to the Minimum Revenue Provision Policy for 2024/25 for supported borrowing be approved.

# Reason for decision

Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 9. CONSULTATION WITH NON DOMESTIC RATEPAYERS (CX) –

RESOLVED – T H A T the position be noted having regard to the fact that no responses to the consultation had been received.

## Reason for decision

To comply with the Non-Domestic Ratepayers (Consultation) Regulations 1992 (Statutory Instrument No. 3171).

AGENDA ITEM 10. AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION (MO / HLDS) –

#### RESOLVED -

- (1) T H A T the amendments to Section 18 titled Contract Procedure Rules of the Council Constitution as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report and as outlined in paragraphs 2.1 to 2.8 be approved and the Council's Constitution amended accordingly.
- (2) THAT the officer delegations as outlined in paragraph 2.9 of the report be approved and the Council's Constitution amended accordingly.

## Reasons for decisions

(1) To reflect legislative changes introduced from 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2025.

(2) Having regard to legislation and in the interests of good governance.

# AGENDA ITEM 11(a) VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL PANEL PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT (REF) –

## RESOLVED -

- (1) THAT the report and appendices, together with the views of the Governance and Audit Committee, be noted.
- (2) T H A T the Council's response to the Panel Performance Assessment be approved.

# Reason for decisions

- (1) Having regard to the views of the Governance and Audit Committee.
- (2) Having regard to the contents of the report, the views of the Governance and Audit Committee and the discussions at the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 11(b) VALE 2030 – DRAFT VALE OF GLAMORGAN CORPORATE PLAN 2025-30 (REF) –

A recorded vote took place on the recommendations as contained within the report, as follows:

Members	For	Against	Abstain
Anne Asbrey	V		
Julie Aviet	V		
Gareth Ball	<b>V</b>		
Rhiannon Birch	<b>V</b>		
Bronwen Brooks	<b>V</b>		
Gillian Bruce		V	
lan Buckley	<b>V</b>		
Lis Burnett	<b>V</b>		
Samantha Campbell	V		

George Carroll		√	
Christine Cave		V	
Janice Charles		V	
Millie Collins	V		
Marianne Cowpe	V		
Pamela Drake	$\sqrt{}$		
Vincent Driscoll		V	
Anthony Ernest		V	
Christopher Franks	$\sqrt{}$		
Wendy Gilligan	$\sqrt{}$		
Russell Godfrey		V	
Emma Goodjohn	$\sqrt{}$		
Ewan Goodjohn	$\sqrt{}$		
Stephen Haines		V	
Sally Hanks	$\sqrt{}$		
William Hennessy		V	
Nic Hodges	$\sqrt{}$		
Mark Hooper	$\sqrt{}$		
Catherine lannucci-Williams	$\sqrt{}$		
Gwyn John	V		
Dr. lan Johnson	V		
Susan Lloyd-Selby	V		
Belinda Loveluck-Edwards	√		
Julie Lynch-Wilson	V		

Kevin Mahoney		√	
Naomi Marshallsea	√		
Michael Morgan	√		
Jayne Norman	√		
Helen Payne	√		
Sandra Perkes	√		
Ian Perry		√	
Joanna Protheroe	√		
Ruba Sivagnanam	V		
Carys Stallard	V		
Neil Thomas	V		
Rhys Thomas		V	
Steffan Wiliam	V		
Margaret Wilkinson	V		
Eddie Williams	V		
Mark Wilson	V		
Nicholas Wood		V	
TOTAL	37	13	

# RESOLVED -

- (1) THAT the Vale 2030 draft Corporate Plan (Appendix A to the report) be approved.
- (2) T H A T delegated authority be granted to the Director of Corporate Resources, in consultation with the Executive Leader and Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources, to make any factual updates to the content of the Plan prior to publication (for example, information relating to budgetary information).

## Reasons for decisions

- (1) Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting.
- (2) To ensure Vale 2030, the Corporate Plan, when published contained the most up to date information available (for example information regarding the budget for 2025-26).

AGENDA ITEM 11(c) CAPITAL STRATEGY AND INVESTMENT PROGRAMME 2025/26 TO 2029/30

#### RESOLVED -

- (1) T H A T the Capital Strategy 2025/26 as set out in Appendix 1 to the report be approved.
- (2) T H A T the final Capital Programme for the years 2025/26 to 2029/30 as set out in Appendix 2 to the report be approved.
- (3) THAT Officers be granted delegated authority to vire £10k or below between schemes that were already approved within the five year Capital Programme.
- (4) T H A T the Chief Executive and the Head of Finance / Section 151 Officer, in consultation with the Executive Leader and Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources, be granted delegated authority to make additions, deletions or transfers to or from the:
  - i. 2025/26 to 2029/30 Housing Improvement Programme as appropriate.
  - ii. 2025/26 to 2029/30 Asset Renewal budgets as appropriate.
  - iii. S106 funded schemes subject to Member consultation as required under the existing process.
  - iv. Decarbonisation Schemes.
  - v. Building Strong Communities Fund schemes.
  - vi. Sustainable Communities for Learning programme.
  - vii. Discretionary Adaption Grant Schemes.
  - viii. Vale Regeneration Schemes.
  - ix. Shared Prosperity Fund.

# Reasons for decisions

- (1) To approve the Capital Strategy for 2025/26.
- (2) To set and approve future Capital Programmes to 2029/30.
- (3) To enable officers to progress schemes more quickly where low value virements below £10k were required.

(4) To enable the Housing Capital budget, Asset Renewal budgets, S106 schemes, Decarbonisation Schemes, Building Stronger Communities Fund, Sustainable Communities for Learning programme, Discretionary Adaption Grant Schemes, Vale Regeneration schemes and Shared Prosperity Fund to be managed effectively.

AGENDA ITEM 11(d) TREASURY MANAGEMENT AND INVESTMENT STRATEGY 2025/26 AND UPDATE FOR 2024/25 (REF) –

#### RESOLVED -

- (1) T H A T the revised policy for making Minimum Revenue Provision from 2024/25 onwards be approved.
- (2) T H A T the proposed 2025/26 Treasury Management and Investment Strategy be approved, including the following specific resolutions (detailed in Appendix 2 to the report):
  - The Authorised Limit for External Debt be set at £265.394m for 2024/25, £296.207m for 2025/26, £331.078m for 2026/27 and £381.753m for 2027/28.
  - The Operational Boundary for External Debt be set at £244.170m for 2024/25, £263.914m for 2025/26, £297.677m for 2026/27 and £347.407m for 2027/28.
  - The Head of Finance/Section 151 Officer be given delegated authority within the total Authorised Limit and Operational Boundary as estimated for individual years to effect movement between the separately agreed limits for borrowing and other long-term liabilities.
  - An upper limit of £0m for 2024/25, £10m in 2025/26, £10m in 2026/27 and £10m in 2027/28 be set for total principal sums invested for over 364 days.
  - The amount of projected borrowing that was fixed rate maturing in each period as a percentage of total projected borrowing that was fixed rate be set as shown below (and further detailed in Appendix 1 to the report).

Table 1 – Upper and lower Limits for fixed rate borrowing

	Upper Limit	Lower Limit
Under 12 months	20%	0%
12 months and within 24 months	40%	0%
24 months and within 5 years	40%	0%
5 years and within 10 years	40%	0%
10 years and above	100%	0%

 Any breaches of the Prudential Indicators would be reported through to the next meeting of Cabinet, with the exception of the Authorised Limit for External Debt which would require prior Full Council approval. (3) THAT the Treasury Management Policy Statement set out in Appendix 3 to the report be approved.

# Reasons for decisions

- (1) To agree the basis of the Minimum Revenue Provision calculation for 2024/25 onwards.
- (2) In order for the Treasury Management and Annual Investment Strategy as prepared be approved as required by the Local Government Act 2003.
- (3) In order for the Treasury Management Policy Statement to be approved.

AGENDA ITEM 11(e) DRAFT BUDGET 2025/26 AND MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2025/26 TO 2029/30 (REF) –

A recorded vote took place on the recommendations as contained within the report, as follows:

Members	For	Against	Abstain
Anne Asbrey		√	
Julie Aviet	V		
Gareth Ball	V		
Rhiannon Birch	V		
Bronwen Brooks	V		
Gillian Bruce		$\checkmark$	
lan Buckley	V		
Lis Burnett	V		
Samantha Campbell		√	
George Carroll		$\checkmark$	
Christine Cave		√	
Janice Charles		√	
Millie Collins		V	

Marianne Cowpe		V	
Pamela Drake	<b>√</b>		
Vincent Driscoll		V	
Anthony Ernest		V	
Christopher Franks		V	
Wendy Gilligan	√		
Russell Godfrey		V	
Emma Goodjohn	√		
Ewan Goodjohn	√		
Stephen Haines		V	
Sally Hanks	V		
William Hennessy		$\sqrt{}$	
Nic Hodges		V	
Mark Hooper		$\sqrt{}$	
Catherine lannucci-Williams	V		
Gwyn John	V		
Dr. lan Johnson		$\sqrt{}$	
Susan Lloyd-Selby	V		
Belinda Loveluck-Edwards	V		
Julie Lynch-Wilson	V		
Kevin Mahoney		V	
Naomi Marshallsea	V		
Michael Morgan	V		
Jayne Norman	√		

Helen Payne	√		
Sandra Perkes	V		
Ian Perry		V	
Joanna Protheroe	V		
Ruba Sivagnanam	V		
Carys Stallard	V		
Neil Thomas	V		
Rhys Thomas		V	
Steffan Wiliam		V	
Margaret Wilkinson	V		
Eddie Williams	V		
Mark Wilson	√		
Nicholas Wood		V	
TOTAL	28	22	

# RESOLVED -

- (1) THAT a Council Tax increase of 5.9% be approved.
- (2) T H A T the budget for 2025/26 as set out in the report be approved.

# Reasons for decisions

- (1) Setting the annual rate of Council Tax was a key policy decision for Council.
- (2) Setting a balanced budget was a statutory responsibility and decision for Full Council.

# AGENDA ITEM 11(f) PAY POLICY 2025/26 (REF) –

RESOLVED – T H A T the Council's Pay Policy as attached at Appendix A to the report to Cabinet on 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2025 (Minute No C247) be approved.

# Reason for decision

To respond to the legal requirements under the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (Wales) Amendment Regulations 2014, the Local Government (Wales) Act 2015 and related advice from the Welsh Government and to provide openness and accountability in relation to how the Council rewards its staff.

## N.B.

All Chief Officers, save for two Democratic and Scrutiny Services Officers servicing the meeting and the Head of Human Resources and Organisational Development, left the meeting when this item was considered. The Head of Human Resources and Organisational Development remained in the meeting, until the matter was to be voted upon, in order to provide any clarification required by Elected Members.

## AGENDA ITEM 12. TO SET THE COUNCIL TAX 2025/26 -

A recorded vote took place on the recommendations as contained within the report, as follows:

Members	For	Against	Abstain
Anne Asbrey		√	
Julie Aviet	V		
Gareth Ball	V		
Rhiannon Birch	V		
Bronwen Brooks	V		
lan Buckley	V		
Lis Burnett	V		
Samantha Campbell		√	
George Carroll		√	
Christine Cave		√	
Janice Charles		√	
Millie Collins		√	

Marianne Cowpe		V	
Pamela Drake	V		
Vincent Driscoll		V	
Anthony Ernest		V	
Christopher Franks		V	
Wendy Gilligan	√		
Russell Godfrey		V	
Emma Goodjohn	$\checkmark$		
Ewan Goodjohn	$\checkmark$		
Stephen Haines		V	
Sally Hanks	$\checkmark$		
Nic Hodges		$\sqrt{}$	
Mark Hooper		V	
Catherine lannucci-Williams	$\checkmark$		
Gwyn John	V		
Dr. lan Johnson		$\sqrt{}$	
Susan Lloyd-Selby	$\sqrt{}$		
Belinda Loveluck-Edwards	V		
Julie Lynch-Wilson	$\sqrt{}$		
Kevin Mahoney		V	
Naomi Marshallsea	V		
Michael Morgan	V		
Jayne Norman	√		
Sandra Perkes	V		

lan Perry		$\sqrt{}$	
Joanna Protheroe	V		
Ruba Sivagnanam	V		
Carys Stallard	$\sqrt{}$		
Neil Thomas	V		
Rhys Thomas		√	
Steffan Wiliam		√	
Margaret Wilkinson	$\sqrt{}$		
Eddie Williams	$\sqrt{}$		
Mark Wilson	$\sqrt{}$		
Nicholas Wood		√	
TOTAL	27	20	

# RESOLVED -

- (1) T H A T it be noted that at its meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2024, Cabinet (the Executive) calculated the following amounts for the year 2025/26 in accordance with regulations made under Section 33(5) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992:-
  - (a) 63,970 being the amount calculated by Cabinet (the Executive) in accordance with regulation 3 of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) (Wales) Regulations 1995, as amended, as its council tax base for the year.

# (b) Part of the Council's area

Barry	21,434
Colwinston	385
Cowbridge with Llanblethian	3,017
Dinas Powys	4,054
Ewenny	455
Llancarfan	495
Llandough	979
Llandow	443

Llanfair	393
Llangan	470
Llanmaes	252
Llantwit Major	4,384
Michaelston	244
Penarth	11,840
Pendoylan	367
Penllyn	1,181
Peterston-Super-Ely	549
St. Athan	1,756
St. Brides Major	1,504
St. Donats	212
St. Georges and St. Brides-Super-Ely	241
St. Nicholas and Bonvilston	775
Sully and Lavernock	2,849
Welsh St. Donats	333
Wenvoe	1,563
Wick	553
Total Council Tax Base Town and Community	00 700
Councils	60,728
Rhoose	3,242
Total Council Tax Base	63,970

being the amounts calculated by Cabinet (the Executive), in accordance with regulation 6 of the Regulations, as amended, as the amounts of its council tax base for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate.

(2) T H A T the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the year 2025/26 in accordance with Sections 32 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992:

(a)	Aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32 (2) (a) to (d) and (2A) of the Act (including Town / Community Council Precepts totaling £3,850,614)	£461,536,101
(b)	Aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32 (3) (a), (aa) and (c), and (3A) of the Act	£127,651,000
(c)	Amount by which the aggregate at (2)(a) above exceeds the aggregate at (2)(b) above, calculated by the Council, in	£333,885,101

accordance with Section 32(4) of the Act, as its budget

requirement for the year.

- (d) Aggregate of the sums which the Council estimates will be payable for the year into its Council Fund in respect of redistributed non-domestic rates, revenue support grant, its council tax reduction scheme, additional grant or special grant less certain Discretionary Non-Domestic Rate Reliefs
- £224,157,740

(e) The amount at (2)(c) above less the amount at (2)(d) above, all divided by the amount at (1)(a) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 33(1) of the Act as the basic amount of its council tax for the year.

£1,715.29

(f) Aggregate amount of all special items referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act.

£3,850,614

(9) Amount at (2)(e) above less the result given by dividing the amount at (2)(f) above by the amount at (1)(a) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(2) of the Act, as the basic amount of its council tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which no special item relates.

£1,655.10

# (h) Part of the Council's area

£

Barry	1,718.44
Colwinston	1,708.74
Cowbridge with Llanblethian	1,772.61
Dinas Powys	1,692.96
Ewenny	1,707.85
Llancarfan	1,689.73
Llandough	1,729.66
Llandow	1,682.19
Llanfair	1,670.16
Llangan	1,680.17
Llanmaes	1,711.14
Llantwit Major	1,727.60
Michaelston	1,687.05
Penarth	1,745.34
Pendoylan	1,680.99
Penllyn	1,668.86
Peterston-Super-Ely	1,698.82
Rhoose	1,655.10
St. Athan	1,705.10
St. Brides Major	1,678.10

St. Donats	1,679.55
St. Georges and St. Brides-Super-Ely	1,686.22
St. Nicholas and Bonvilston	1,742.55
Sully and Lavernock	1,689.99
Welsh St. Donats	1,679.12
Wenvoe	1,682.82
Wick	1,671.37

being the amounts given by adding to the amount at (2)(g) above the amounts of the special item or items relating to dwellings in those parts of the Council's area mentioned above divided in each case by the amount at (1)(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34 (3) of the Act, as the basic amounts of its council tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate.

(i) Part of the Council's Area	Valuation Bands								
£	Α	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н	I
Barry	1,145.63	1,336.56	1,527.50	1,718.44	2,100.32	2,482.19	2,864.07	3,436.88	4,009.69
Colwinston	1,139.16	1,329.02	1,518.88	1,708.74	2,088.46	2,468.18	2,847.90	3,417.48	3,987.06
Cowbridge with Llanblethian	1,181.74	1,378.70	1,575.65	1,772.61	2,166.52	2,560.44	2,954.35	3,545.22	4,136.09
Dinas Powys	1,128.64	1,316.75	1,504.85	1,692.96	2,069.17	2,445.39	2,821.60	3,385.92	3,950.24
Ewenny	1,138.57	1,328.33	1,518.09	1,707.85	2,087.37	2,466.89	2,846.42	3,415.70	3,984.98
Llancarfan	1,126.49	1,314.23	1,501.98	1,689.73	2,065.23	2,440.72	2,816.22	3,379.46	3,942.70
Llandough	1,153.11	1,345.29	1,537.48	1,729.66	2,114.03	2,498.40	2,882.77	3,459.32	4,035.87
Llandow	1,121.46	1,308.37	1,495.28	1,682.19	2,056.01	2,429.83	2,803.65	3,364.38	3,925.11
Llanfair	1,113.44	1,299.01	1,484.59	1,670.16	2,041.31	2,412.45	2,783.60	3,340.32	3,897.04
Llangan	1,120.11	1,306.80	1,493.48	1,680.17	2,053.54	2,426.91	2,800.28	3,360.34	3,920.40
Llanmaes	1,140.76	1,330.89	1,521.01	1,711.14	2,091.39	2,471.65	2,851.90	3,422.28	3,992.66
Llantwit Major	1,151.73	1,343.69	1,535.64	1,727.60	2,111.51	2,495.42	2,879.33	3,455.20	4,031.07
Michaelston	1,124.70	1,312.15	1,499.60	1,687.05	2,061.95	2,436.85	2,811.75	3,374.10	3,936.45
Penarth	1,163.56	1,357.49	1,551.41	1,745.34	2,133.19	2,521.05	2,908.90	3,490.68	4,072.46
Pendoylan	1,120.66	1,307.44	1,494.21	1,680.99	2,054.54	2,428.10	2,801.65	3,361.98	3,922.31
Penllyn	1,112.57	1,298.00	1,483.43	1,668.86	2,039.72	2,410.58	2,781.43	3,337.72	3,894.01
Peterston-Super-Ely	1,132.55	1,321.30	1,510.06	1,698.82	2,076.34	2,453.85	2,831.37	3,397.64	3,963.91
Rhoose	1,103.40	1,287.30	1,471.20	1,655.10	2,022.90	2,390.70	2,758.50	3,310.20	3,861.90
St.Athan	1,136.73	1,326.19	1,515.64	1,705.10	2,084.01	2,462.92	2,841.83	3,410.20	3,978.57
St.Brides Major	1,118.73	1,305.19	1,491.64	1,678.10	2,051.01	2,423.92	2,796.83	3,356.20	3,915.57
St.Donats	1,119.70	1,306.32	1,492.93	1,679.55	2,052.78	2,426.02	2,799.25	3,359.10	3,918.95
St.Georges & St.Brides-Super-Ely	1,124.15	1,311.50	1,498.86	1,686.22	2,060.94	2,435.65	2,810.37	3,372.44	3,934.51
St.Nicholas and Bonvilston	1,161.70	1,355.32	1,548.93	1,742.55	2,129.78	2,517.02	2,904.25	3,485.10	4,065.95
Sully and Lavernock	1,126.66	1,314.44	1,502.21	1,689.99	2,065.54	2,441.10	2,816.65	3,379.98	3,943.31
Welsh St.Donats	1,119.41	1,305.98	1,492.55	1,679.12	2,052.26	2,425.40	2,798.53	3,358.24	3,917.95
Wenvoe	1,121.88	1,308.86	1,495.84	1,682.82	2,056.78	2,430.74	2,804.70	3,365.64	3,926.58
Wick	1,114.25	1,299.95	1,485.66	1,671.37	2,042.79	2,414.20	2,785.62	3,342.74	3,899.86

being the amounts given by multiplying the amounts at (2)(g) and (2)(h) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5 (1/1A) of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in a particular valuation band divided by the number which in that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation band D, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 36 (1) of the Act, as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands.

<sup>(3)</sup> That it be noted that for the year 2025/26 the Police and Crime Commissioner for South Wales has stated the following amounts in precepts issued to the Council in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:-

£			Va	aluation Bands					
	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н	1
	252.45	294.52	336.60	378.67	462.82	546.97	631.12	757.34	883.56

(4) That, having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at (2)(i) and (3) above, The Vale of Glamorgan County Borough Council, in accordance with Section 30 (2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the following amounts as the amounts of Council Tax for the year 2025/26.

Part of the Council's Area	£		Valuation	Bands					
	£ A	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н	I
Barry	1,398.08	1,631.08	1,864.10	2,097.11	2,563.14	3,029.16	3,495.19	4,194.22	4,893.25
Colwinston	1,391.61	1,623.54	1,855.48	2,087.41	2,551.28	3,015.15	3,479.02	4,174.82	4,870.62
Cowbridge with Llanblethian	1,434.19	1,673.22	1,912.25	2,151.28	2,629.34	3,107.41	3,585.47	4,302.56	5,019.65
Dinas Powys	1,381.09	1,611.27	1,841.45	2,071.63	2,531.99	2,992.36	3,452.72	4,143.26	4,833.80
Ewenny	1,391.02	1,622.85	1,854.69	2,086.52	2,550.19	3,013.86	3,477.54	4,173.04	4,868.54
Llancarfan	1,378.94	1,608.75	1,838.58	2,068.40	2,528.05	2,987.69	3,447.34	4,136.80	4,826.26
Llandough	1,405.56	1,639.81	1,874.08	2,108.33	2,576.85	3,045.37	3,513.89	4,216.66	4,919.43
Llandow	1,373.91	1,602.89	1,831.88	2,060.86	2,518.83	2,976.80	3,434.77	4,121.72	4,808.67
Llanfair	1,365.89	1,593.53	1,821.19	2,048.83	2,504.13	2,959.42	3,414.72	4,097.66	4,780.60
Llangan	1,372.56	1,601.32	1,830.08	2,058.84	2,516.36	2,973.88	3,431.40	4,117.68	4,803.96
Llanmaes	1,393.21	1,625.41	1,857.61	2,089.81	2,554.21	3,018.62	3,483.02	4,179.62	4,876.22
Llantwit Major	1,404.18	1,638.21	1,872.24	2,106.27	2,574.33	3,042.39	3,510.45	4,212.54	4,914.63
Michaelston	1,377.15	1,606.67	1,836.20	2,065.72	2,524.77	2,983.82	3,442.87	4,131.44	4,820.01
Penarth	1,416.01	1,652.01	1,888.01	2,124.01	2,596.01	3,068.02	3,540.02	4,248.02	4,956.02
Pendoylan	1,373.11	1,601.96	1,830.81	2,059.66	2,517.36	2,975.07	3,432.77	4,119.32	4,805.87
Penllyn	1,365.02	1,592.52	1,820.03	2,047.53	2,502.54	2,957.55	3,412.55	4,095.06	4,777.57
Peterston-Super-Ely	1,385.00	1,615.82	1,846.66	2,077.49	2,539.16	3,000.82	3,462.49	4,154.98	4,847.47
Rhoose	1,355.85	1,581.82	1,807.80	2,033.77	2,485.72	2,937.67	3,389.62	4,067.54	4,745.46
St.Athan	1,389.18	1,620.71	1,852.24	2,083.77	2,546.83	3,009.89	3,472.95	4,167.54	4,862.13
St.Brides Major	1,371.18	1,599.71	1,828.24	2,056.77	2,513.83	2,970.89	3,427.95	4,113.54	4,799.13
St.Donats	1,372.15	1,600.84	1,829.53	2,058.22	2,515.60	2,972.99	3,430.37	4,116.44	4,802.51
St.Georges & St.Brides-Super-									
Ely	1,376.60	1,606.02	1,835.46	2,064.89	2,523.76	2,982.62	3,441.49	4,129.78	4,818.07
St.Nicholas and Bonvilston	1,414.15	1,649.84	1,885.53	2,121.22	2,592.60	3,063.99	3,535.37	4,242.44	4,949.51
Sully and Lavernock	1,379.11	1,608.96	1,838.81	2,068.66	2,528.36	2,988.07	3,447.77	4,137.32	4,826.87
Welsh St.Donats	1,371.86	1,600.50	1,829.15	2,057.79	2,515.08	2,972.37	3,429.65	4,115.58	4,801.51
Wenvoe	1,374.33	1,603.38	1,832.44	2,061.49	2,519.60	2,977.71	3,435.82	4,122.98	4,810.14
Wick	1,366.70	1,594.47	1,822.26	2,050.04	2,505.61	2,961.17	3,416.74	4,100.08	4,783.42

- (5) T H A T discount for prompt payment of the Council Tax be not granted.
- (6) T H A T the Common Seal be affixed to the said Council Tax.
- (7) T H A T notices of the making of the said Council Taxes signed by the Chief Executive be given by advertisement in the local press under Section 38 (2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.

#### Reason for decisions

(1-7) In order to set the Council Tax for 2025/26.

AGENDA ITEM 13(a) CAPITAL MONITORING FOR THE PERIOD 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL TO 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2024 (REF) –

RESOLVED – T H A T the use of the Urgent Decision Procedure (Cabinet Minute No. C180, 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2024 (as set out in Section 15.14.2(ii) of the Council's Constitution) be noted.

# Reason for decision

The reporting of the use of the Urgent Decision Procedure is a requirement of the Council's Constitution.

AGENDA ITEM 13(b) HOUSING PAS2035 RETROFIT SCHEME 2024/25 (REF) –

RESOLVED – T H A T the use of the Urgent Decision Procedure (Cabinet Minute No. C186, 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2024 (as set out in Section 15.14.2(ii) of the Council's Constitution) be noted.

#### Reason for decision

The reporting of the use of the Urgent Decision Procedure is a requirement of the Council's Constitution.

AGENDA ITEM 13(c) HOUSING PAS2035 RETROFIT SCHEME 2024/25 (PART II) (REF) –

RESOLVED – T H A T the use of the Urgent Decision Procedure (Cabinet Minute No. C190, 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2024 (as set out in Section 15.14.2(ii) of the Council's Constitution) be noted.

# Reason for decision

The reporting of the use of the Urgent Decision Procedure is a requirement of the Council's Constitution.

AGENDA ITEM 13(d) APPROPRIATION OF TWO PROPERTIES FROM HOUSING STOCK TO THE SOCIAL SERVICES DIRECTORATE (REF) –

RESOLVED – T H A T the use of the Urgent Decision Procedure (Cabinet Minute No. C209, 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2024 (as set out in Section 15.14.2(ii) of the Council's Constitution) be noted.

# Reason for decision

The reporting of the use of the Urgent Decision Procedure is a requirement of the Council's Constitution.

AGENDA ITEM 13(e) CARDIFF AND VALE HOUSING PARTNERSHIP (REF) –

RESOLVED – T H A T the use of the Urgent Decision Procedure (Cabinet Minute No. C215, 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2024 (as set out in Section 15.14.2(ii) of the Council's Constitution) be noted.

#### Reason for decision

The reporting of the use of the Urgent Decision Procedure is a requirement of the Council's Constitution.

AGENDA ITEM 13(f) CARDIFF AND VALE HOUSING PARTNERSHIP (PART II) (REF) –

RESOLVED – T H A T the use of the Urgent Decision Procedure (Cabinet Minute No. C219, 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2024 (as set out in Section 15.14.2(ii) of the Council's Constitution) be noted.

#### Reason for decision

The reporting of the use of the Urgent Decision Procedure is a requirement of the Council's Constitution.

AGENDA ITEM 13(g) CAR PARKING (REF) –

RESOLVED – T H A T the use of the Urgent Decision Procedure (Cabinet Minute No. C228, 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2025 (as set out in Section 15.14.2(ii) of the Council's Constitution) be noted.

# Reason for decision

The reporting of the use of the Urgent Decision Procedure is a requirement of the Council's Constitution.

AGENDA ITEM 13(h) INITIAL BUDGET 2025/26 AND MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2024/25 TO 2029/30 PROPOSALS FOR CONSULTATION (REF) –

RESOLVED – T H A T the use of the Urgent Decision Procedure (Cabinet Minute No. C234, 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2025 (as set out in Section 15.14.2(ii) of the Council's Constitution) be noted.

# Reason for decision

The reporting of the use of the Urgent Decision Procedure is a requirement of the Council's Constitution.

AGENDA ITEM 13(i) DRAFT CAPITAL PROGRAMME PROPOSALS 2025/26 TO 2029/30 (REF) –

RESOLVED – T H A T the use of the Urgent Decision Procedure (Cabinet Minute No. C235, 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2025 (as set out in Section 15.14.2(ii) of the Council's Constitution) be noted.

## Reason for decision

The reporting of the use of the Urgent Decision Procedure is a requirement of the Council's Constitution.

N.B. Due to the voting facility for Councillors L. Burnett, G. John and M.R. Wilson not being able to function during the meeting, their votes were recorded verbally at the meeting when required.