PLACE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Decision Notice – Hybrid Meeting, 18th November, 2025.

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Present: Councillor S. Lloyd-Selby (Chair); Councillor C. Iannucci-Williams (Vice-Chair); Councillors C.E.A. Champion, P. Drake, V.P. Driscoll, M.J. Hooper, J.M. Norman, I.A.N. Perry and C. Stallard.

Also present: M. Blackmore (Tenant Working Group / Panel Representative); O. Carroll (Citizens Advice Cardiff and Vale); and Councillors G. Bruce, L. Burnett (Executive Leader and Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources), J.E. Charles, B. Dodd, C.P. Franks, S.M. Hanks, G. John (Cabinet Member for Leisure, Sport and Wellbeing), B. Loveluck-Edwards, N. Marshallsea, S.D. Perkes (Cabinet Member for Public Sector Housing and Tenant Engagement), S. Sivagnanam (Cabinet Member for Community Engagement, Equalities and Regulatory Services), E. Williams (Cabinet Member for Social Care and Health) and M.R. Wilson (Cabinet Member for Neighbourhood and Building Services).

AGENDA ITEM 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE –

These were received from Councillors G.M. Ball, A.M. Ernest, E. Penn and S.T. Wiliam; G. Doyle, K. Mitchell and G. Niblett (Tenant Working Group / Panel Representatives).

AGENDA ITEM 2. MINUTES–

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the minutes of the meeting held on 16th September, 2025 be approved as a correct record.

AGENDA ITEM 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –

The Chair, Councillor S. Lloyd-Selby, declared a personal, but not prejudicial, interest in respect of Agenda Item 5 – Vale of Glamorgan Replacement Local Development Plan (RLDP) 2021-2036 – Housing Growth in Barry Consultation Report. The nature of her interest was that she was an independent member of the Cardiff and Vale Health Board which had been involved in this process as a statutory consultee. Due to this being a personal interest only, the Chair remained in the meeting when the agenda item was discussed.

AGENDA ITEM 4. LOCAL LETTINGS POLICIES (CX) –

RECOMMENDED –

(1) T H A T the approaches to classifying rural housing developments and the use of local lettings policies be noted.

(2) T H A T the proposal, that in future, local lettings policies should continue to be applied on rural exception sites and in minor rural settlements and these policies remain in perpetuity i.e. for future relets of existing social rented homes, be noted.

(3) T H A T the merits of a cascaded / staged approach to be utilised in future for all new lets which were not on rural exception sites or within minor rural settlements, be noted.

(4) T H A T although there was no formal feedback to Cabinet, the Committee did support the policies and proposals concerned.

(5) T H A T the list of minor rural settlements where local lettings policies would apply, be reviewed following the adoption of the Replacement Local Development Plan.

<u>Reason for recommendations</u>

(1-5) Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting, following scrutiny by the Committee of the proposed approach to local lettings.

AGENDA ITEM 5. VALE OF GLAMORGAN REPLACEMENT LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (RLDP) 2021-2036 – HOUSING GROWTH IN BARRY CONSULTATION REPORT (REF) –

The below recommendations were voted on by the Committee, following its scrutiny and discussions on the reference and report. Following a request from a Committee Member for a Recorded Vote for each of these recommendations, the votes took place as follows:

RECOMMENDED –

(1) T H A T the Committee was concerned about the potential for increased and inappropriate use of protected environmental sites in the vicinity of the proposed Northwest Barry site. It was recommended that suitable accessible natural greenspaces be provided as part of any site development to benefit wider biodiversity interests and species in the area.

Name	**For**	**Against**	**Abstain**
C. Champion	√		
P. Drake	√		
V. Driscoll			
M. Hooper		√	

C. Iannucci-Williams	√		
S. Lloyd-Selby	√		
J. Norman	√		
I. Perry	√		
C. Stallard	√		
TOTAL	**7**	**1**	**0**

Therefore, the vote, and recommendation, was carried.

(2) T H A T Committee was concerned to note that the modelling showed the outline proposed improvements to Weycock Cross junction indicated adverse impacts on traffic congestion. The Strategic Transport Assessment must identify mitigating action which significantly addressed traffic congestion and minimised the impact of additional traffic on nearby feeder routes. This mitigation should include improved public transport and support for Active Travel.

Name	**For**	**Against**	**Abstain**
C. Champion	√		
P. Drake	√		
V. Driscoll			
M. Hooper	√		
C. Iannucci-Williams	√		
S. Lloyd-Selby	√		
J. Norman	√		
I. Perry			√
C. Stallard	√		
TOTAL	**7**	**0**	**1**

Therefore, the vote, and recommendation, was carried.

(3) T H A T the Committee, regarding the Northwest Barry site, noted that the report referred to the need for increased school places and potential additional health capacity. It was therefore recommended that any additional development must not impact negatively on current provision for residents. Committee noted that more detailed information would be provided at the Deposit Plan stage – these must include specific steps that would be taken to protect and improve educational and health capacity.

Name	**For**	**Against**	**Abstain**
C. Champion	√		
P. Drake	√		
V. Driscoll			
M. Hooper	√		
C. Iannucci-Williams	√		
S. Lloyd-Selby	√		
J. Norman	√		
I. Perry			√
C. Stallard	√		
TOTAL	**7**	**0**	**1**

Therefore, the vote, and recommendation, was carried.

(4) T H A T, at the appropriate time, there must be a management plan in place to incentivise the transfer of open spaces from new developments (such as the three potential sites in Barry) to local Council / public sector control.

Name	For	Against	Abstain
C. Champion	√		
P. Drake	√		
V. Driscoll			
M. Hooper	√		
C. Iannucci-Williams	√		
S. Lloyd-Selby	√		
J. Norman	√		
I. Perry	√		
C. Stallard	√		
TOTAL	**8**	**0**	**0**

Therefore, the vote, and recommendation, was carried.

(5) T H A T a community needs assessment be undertaken to identify infrastructure and transport needs in relation to the Bendricks development, and this should include consultation with local Elected Ward Members and current residents. The scope should encompass the Strategic Transport Assessment which should identify mitigating action to improve accessibility to public transport, Active Travel and Wimbourne Road.

Name	For	Against	Abstain
C. Champion	√		
P. Drake	√		
V. Driscoll			
M. Hooper	√		
C. Iannucci-Williams	√		
S. Lloyd-Selby	√		
J. Norman	√		
I. Perry	√		
C. Stallard	√		
TOTAL	**8**	**0**	**0**

Therefore, the vote, and recommendation, was carried.

Reason for recommendations

(1-5) Having regard to the contents of the report and reference, as well as the discussions at the meeting and for Cabinet to consider these prior to referring this report to Full Council (1st December, 2025) for consideration and approval.

AGENDA ITEM 6. UPDATED FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME SCHEDULE 2025/26 (DCR) –

RECOMMENDED –

(1) T H A T the Committee's Forward Work Programme Schedule for 2025/26, as attached at Appendix A to the report, be agreed.

(2) T H A T a summary of the Decision Tracking Data relevant to the Place Scrutiny Committee be presented to the Committee as part of the biannual Forward Work Programme Monitoring Reports going forward.

<u>Reasons for recommendations</u>

(1) In order that the items, topics, and delivery methods that the Place Scrutiny Committee would consider for the remainder of the 2025/26 Municipal year be agreed, and to update the Forward Work Programme published on the Council's website.

(2) In order to provide a six-monthly update to Committee Members, on the data readily available, and to maintain an understanding of the Committee's impact in supporting the Council's decision-making processes.