

PLACE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Decision Notice – Hybrid Meeting, 24th March, 2026.

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

Also present: M. Blackmore and G. Doyle (Tenant Working Group / Panel Representatives); O. Carroll (Citizens Advice Cardiff and Vale); and Councillors A. Asbrey, J. Aviet, B.E. Brooks (Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Sustainable Places), C.P. Franks, S.M. Hanks, G. John (Cabinet Member for Leisure, Sport and Wellbeing), Dr. I.J. Johnson, H.M. Payne, S.D. Perkes (Cabinet Member for Public Sector Housing and Tenant Engagement), N.C. Thomas and M.R. Wilson (Cabinet Member for Neighbourhood and Building Services).

AGENDA ITEM 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE –

These were received from Councillor E. Penn and K. Mitchell (Tenant Working Group / Panel Representative).

AGENDA ITEM 2. MINUTES –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the minutes of the Extraordinary meeting held on 6th January, 2026 and the meeting held on 20th January, 2026 be approved as the correct record for each meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –

No declarations of interest were received.

AGENDA ITEM 4. REVIEW OF PILOT LEISURE ACTIVITY AT COSMESTON COUNTRY PARK (REF) –

The below recommendation was voted on by the Committee, under a Recorded Vote, as follows:

| | For | Against | Abstain |
|----------------------|------------|----------------|----------------|
| C.E.A. Champion | √ | | |
| P. Drake | | √ | |
| V.P. Driscoll | √ | | |
| A.M. Ernest | √ | | |
| M.J. Hooper | √ | | |
| C. Iannucci-Williams | | √ | |
| S. Lloyd-Selby | | √ | |
| J.M. Norman | | √ | |
| I.A.N. Perry | √ | | |
| C. Stallard | | √ | |
| S.T. Wiliam | √ | | |
| Total | 6 | 5 | |

Therefore, the vote to support the recommendation set out below was carried.

Committee subsequently

RECOMMENDED – T H A T Cabinet consider the following: that the precautionary principle should be applied and the maximum weighting be given to the protection of the ecosystem of the lakes at Cosmeston Country Park, with no weighting given to Council income when the Council considers an aqua park and similar activities at Cosmeston Country Park and its lakes.

Reason for recommendation

To be referred to Cabinet for their consideration, following the discussions at the meeting on the reference and report, and the issues raised by Committee Members, public speakers and others at the meeting, as part of their consideration of the Review.

AGENDA ITEM 5. ENVIRONMENT & HOUSING AND PLACE DIRECTORATE PLANS 2026/27 (OUTLINING YEAR 2 ACTIVITIES, PERFORMANCE MEASURES AND ASSOCIATED PERFORMANCE TARGETS TO DELIVER VALE 2030, THE COUNCIL'S CORPORATE PLAN 2025-30) (DP / DEH) –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the Place (Appendix A to the report) and Environment & Housing Services (Appendix B to the report) Directorate Plans and associated measures and performance targets for 2026/27 contained within them, relating to the scope of the Committee, be endorsed and referred to Cabinet for their consideration and endorsement.

Reason for recommendation

To ensure that the planned activities, associated measures and performance targets for the Place and Environment & Housing Services Directorates, as detailed in the Plans and within the scope of the Committee, were relevant and together with the other three Directorate Plans would become the main means through which performance against Vale 2030 would be monitored and measured during 2026/2027.

AGENDA ITEM 6. HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE 3 YEAR PLAN: 2026 – 2029 (REF) –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the Highway Maintenance Three Year Plan: 2026 – 2029 be noted. Therefore, as no further recommendations affecting the proposed Plan were received from the Scrutiny Committee, the Highway Maintenance Three Year Plan: 2026–2029 was agreed.

Reason for recommendation

Having regard to the contents and recommendations of the reference and report, as well as the discussions at the meeting. To enable the final Plan to be approved following its consideration by the Place Scrutiny Committee.