# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE SUBJECT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 3 HELD HYBRID IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER - CIVIC OFFICES, ANGEL STREET, BRIDGEND, CF31 4WB ON MONDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER 2024 AT 16:00

**Present** 

Councillor JPD Blundell - Chairperson

S J Bletsoe C Davies MJ Williams

Present Virtually

N Clarke RJ Collins P W Jenkins W J Kendall

J E Pratt G Walter I Williams

#### Apologies for Absence

Councillor MJ Kearn and the Corporate Director of Communities

#### Invitees:

Councillor Hywel Williams – Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance Councillor Paul Davies – Cabinet Member for Climate Change and the Environment

Zak Shell – Head of Operations Community Services Jen Sparrow – Cleaner Streets & Waste Contract Manger

## Officers:

Lucy Beard Scrutiny Officer

Stephen Griffiths Democratic Services Officer - Committees

#### **Declarations of Interest**

Councillor Jon-Paul Blundell – Prejudicial – Member of Cabinet when Item 4 considered.

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## 81. Approval of Minutes

| Decision Made      | Resolved: That the minutes of a meeting of Subject Overview and Scrutiny Committee 3 dated 16 July |
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|                    | 2024, to be approved as true and accurate record.  |
| Date Decision Made | 30 September 2024  |
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Cllr Martin Williams was nominated as Chair and chaired the meeting for the following item only.

# 82. Future Waste Service Options

| Decision Made | Resolved: Following consideration of the report and detailed discussion with Cabinet Members and Senior Officers the Committee made the following comments and Recommendations:  |
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|               | Following consideration of the report on the options for delivering Waste Service post 2026 Members felt that more investigation was still needed to provide further information on the LATCo. and In-house options, in particular more detail on the following including the impact and associated risks:               |
|               | - Staff recruitment;   |
|               | - Profit and loss to be expected;  |
|               | - Pay scales – protection of employees;  |
|               | - Commercial Waste and the Competitive market;   |
|               | - The IT system and the advantages and disadvantages of one system in place;   |
|               | - The control, challenge and flexibility of the options.   |
|               | Members expressed that more time was required to explore with local authorities closer to home that had followed one of these options, whether successfully or unsuccessfully, particularly the LATCo. option, as either option would be a big change for the Authority and a fully informed decision would be required. |

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|                    | The Committee recommended that there be a year's extension to the current contract with Plan B, to allow more time for work to be done to really understand the LATCo and In-House options, the extent of risk and the full impact on resources. |
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| Date Decision Made | 30 September 2024  |

# 83. Information Report - 2023-24 Quarter 4 Performance

| Decision Made      | Resolved: The Committee noted the publication of the information report on 2023-2024 Quarter 4 Performance report. |
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| Date Decision Made | 30 September 2024  |

# 84. Forward Work Programme Update

| Decision Made      | <ul> <li>Resolved: The Committee considered and approved the Forward Work Programme (FWP) in Appenidx A, Subject to inclusion of the items below, noted the Recommendations Monitoring Action Sheet in Appendix B and noted that the FWP, Recommendations Monitoring Action Sheet and any updates from the Committee would be reported to the next meeting of Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee, following consideration in this cycle of Committee Meetings.</li> <li>The Committee requested the following be included in the FWP:</li> <li>A Member raised a potential item for inclusion of the FWP on major parks in the borough, be scoped and discussed at a future forward work planning meeting.</li> <li>Members requested that the Porthcawl Regeneration and Pavilion Update, be scheduled for the February meeting alongside the Maesteg Town Hall report.</li> </ul> |
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| Date Decision Made | 30 September 2024  |

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# 85. Urgent Items

| Decision Made      | None              |
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| Date Decision Made | 30 September 2024 |

To observe further debate that took place on the above items, please click this <u>link</u>.

The meeting closed at 18.42.