

**COUNCIL - WEDNESDAY, 19 NOVEMBER 2025**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD HYBRID IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER CIVIC OFFICES, ANGEL STREET, BRIDGEND, CF31 4WB ON WEDNESDAY, 19 NOVEMBER 2025 AT 16:00**

**Present**

Councillor HJ David – Chairperson

H T Bennett  
JPD Blundell  
RJ Collins  
M J Evans  
RM Granville  
P W Jenkins  
JC Spanswick  
HM Williams  
T Wood  
H Griffiths

A R Berrow  
E L P Caparros  
C Davies  
N Farr  
GC Haines  
M Jones  
T Thomas  
I Williams

F D Bletsoe  
N Clarke  
P Davies  
J Gebbie  
M L Hughes  
W J Kendall  
A Ulberini-Williams  
MJ Williams

S J Bletsoe  
O Clatworthy  
S Easterbrook  
W R Goode  
D M Hughes  
RL Penhale-Thomas  
AJ Williams  
E D Winstanley

**Present Virtually**

S Aspey  
RM James  
J E Pratt  
R Williams

P Ford  
M R John  
I M Spiller

S J Griffiths  
M Lewis  
G Walter

D T Harrison  
J Llewellyn-Hopkins  
A Wathan

**Officers:**

Mark Galvin  
Laura Griffiths  
Lindsay Harvey  
Carys Lord  
Claire Marchant  
Jake Morgan  
Janine Nightingale

Senior Democratic Services Officer - Committees  
Principal Solicitor  
Corporate Director - Education, Early Years & Young People  
Chief Officer - Finance, Housing & Change  
Corporate Director - Social Services and Wellbeing  
Chief Executive  
Corporate Director - Communities

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Michael Pitman  
Oscar Roberts  
Kelly Watson

Technical Support Officer – Democratic Services  
Business Administrative Apprentice - Democratic Services  
Chief Officer - Legal & Regulatory Services, HR & Corporate Policy

**210. Apologies for absence**

Decision Made	Apologies were received from Councillors Chris Davies, Rob Smith and Jefferson Tildesley
Date Decision Made	19 November 2025

**211. Declarations of Interest**

Decision Made	<p>The following declarations of interest were made:-</p> <p>Members declared a universal personal declaration of interest in Agenda item 13, as members of the LGPS.</p> <p>All Officers present at the meeting declared a prejudicial interest in Agenda item 13, as members of the LGPS, other than the Senior Democratic Services Officer – Committees who remained in the meeting to take a note of proceedings on this item.</p> <p>Councillor E Winstanley declared a personal interest in Agenda item 8 as it mentions premises that are under the ownership of her employer.</p> <p>The Chief Officer – Legal, HR, Regulatory Services and Corporate Policy and Chief Officer – Finance, Housing and Change declared a prejudicial interest in Agenda item 7 and left the meeting whilst this item was being considered.</p>
Date Decision Made	19 November 2025

**212. Approval of Minutes**

Decision Made	<u>RESOLVED:</u>	That the minutes of a meeting of Council dated 22 October 2025, be approved as a true and accurate record.
Date Decision Made	19 November 2025	

**213. Presentation to Council by Mental Health Matters**

Decision Made	<u>RESOLVED:</u>	That the report of the Leader and Chief Executive together with the presentation by representatives of Mental Health Matters, be noted.
Date Decision Made	19 November 2025	

**214. To receive announcements from:**

Decision Made	Announcements were received from the following Cabinet Members and Chief Executive (No decisions required/made):- <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mayor;</li><li>• Chief Executive</li></ul>	
Date Decision Made	19 November 2025	

**215. To receive announcements by the Leader**

Decision Made	Announcements were received from the Leader (No decisions required/made).	
Date Decision Made	19 November 2025	

**216. Initial Response to PPA Assessment and Proposed Changes to the JNC Senior Management Structure**

Decision Made	<p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b> That Council:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Noted the initial response to the PPA recommendations with progress to be monitored through the corporate planning structures;</li><li>2. Delegated authority to relevant Corporate Directors and the Chief Executive to commence a formal consultation with relevant JNC officers;</li><li>3. Delegated authority to the Chief Executive to determine the final JNC senior management structure following the formal consultation and appoint to it in accordance with the Officer Employment Procedure Rules within the Constitution;</li><li>4. Delegated authority to the Monitoring Officer to make minor amendments to the Constitution and the Scheme of Delegation of Functions in relation to references to the portfolio and job title of the relevant JNC officers following the appointment processes.</li></ol>
Date Decision Made	19 November 2025

**217. Capital Programme Quarter 2 Update 2025-26**

Decision Made	<p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b> That Council:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Noted the Council's Capital Programme 2025-26 Quarter 2 update to 30 September 2025 (at Appendix A to the report)</li><li>• Noted the slippage of £84.515 million to 2026-27 as detailed in Appendix B.</li><li>• Approved the virements between schemes as detailed in Appendix B.</li><li>• Approved the new additions/reductions to the capital programme in 2025-26 totalling £6.119 million as outlined in Appendix B.</li><li>• Noted the actual Prudential and Other Indicators for 2024-25 and the projected indicators for 2025-26 (Appendix C).</li></ul>
Date Decision Made	19 November 2025

**218. Treasury Management Half Year Report 2025-26**

Decision Made	<b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b> That Council:-  (1) Noted the treasury management activities for the half year ending 30 September 2025. (2) Noted the Treasury Management Indicators for the period 1 April 2025 to 30 September 2025 against those approved in the Treasury Management Strategy 2025-26.
Date Decision Made	19 November 2025

**219. Council Tax Base 2026-27**

Decision Made	<b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b> That Council:-  <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Approved the council tax base and collection rate for 2026-27 as shown in paragraph 3.1 of the report.</li><li>• Approved the tax bases for the town and community areas set out in Appendix A to the report.</li></ul>
Date Decision Made	19 November 2025

**220. To receive the following Question from:**

Decision Made	Councillor Ian Williams to the Leader (response previously circulated to Members).  A supplementary question was asked by Councillor Williams which was responded to at the meeting.
Date Decision Made	19 December 2025

**221. To receive the following Question from:**

Decision Made	Councillor Ross Penhale-Thomas to the Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Economic Development and Housing (response circulated previously to Members).  A supplementary question was asked by Councillor Penhale-Thomas which was responded to at the meeting.
Date Decision Made	19 December 2025

**222. Notice of Motion Proposed by Councillor Jane Gebbie**

Decision Made	<u>RESOLVED:</u> That the amended Notice of Motion put forward by the Deputy Leader as read out at the meeting, be supported by member, following an electronic vote.
Date Decision Made	19 December 2025

**223. Notice of Motion proposed by Councillor Rhys Goode**

Decision Made	<u>RESOLVED:</u> That this Motion of Motion as was detailed on the meeting agenda, be supported.
Date Decision Made	19 December 2025

**224. Urgent Items**

Decision Made	There were no urgent items.
Date Decision Made	19 November 2025

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**225. Exclusion of the Public**

Decision Made	<b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b>	The report relating to the following item was not for publication as it contained exempt information as defined in Paragraph 12 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007.  Following the application of the public interest test Council resolved pursuant to the Act to consider this item in private, with the public being excluded from the meeting during such consideration.
Date Decision Made	19 November 2025	

**226. Approval of Exempt Minutes**

Decision Made	<b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b>	That the exempt minutes of a meeting of Council dated 22 October 2025, be approved as a true and accurate record.
Date Decision Made	19 November 2025	

To observe further debate that took place on the above items, please click this [link](#)

The meeting closed at 19:30.