

RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council held at the County Borough Council Offices, The Pavilions, Clydach Vale on Thursday, 15th December, 2016 at 5.00 p.m.

PRESENT

County Borough Councillor R.Lewis – in the Chair

County Borough Councillors

L.M.Adams	M.Forey	S.Rees
(Mrs.)T.A.Bates	A.S.Fox	S.Rees-Owen
D.R.Bevan	M.Griffiths	(Mrs.)A.Roberts
J.Bonetto	P.Griffiths	J.Rosser
S.A.Bradwick	(Mrs.)E.Hanagan	G.Smith
A.Calvert	G.E.Hopkins	R.W.Smith
S.Carter	J.S.James	G.Stacey
(Mrs.)A.Crimmings	P.Jarman	(Mrs.)M.Tegg
W.J.David	(Mrs.)S.J.Jones	R.K.Turner
A.L.Davies,MBE	W.L.Langford	G.P.Thomas
(Mrs.)A.Davies	(Mrs.)C.Leyshon	L.G.Walker
G.R.Davies	A.Morgan	(Mrs.)J.S.Ward
J.Elliott	M.A.Norris	M.Webber
S.Evans	S.Pickering	D.H.Williams
S.M.Evans-Fear	K.A.Privett	C.J.Willis
		R.Yeo

Officers in Attendance

Mr.C.Bradshaw – Chief Executive
Mr.C.Lee – Group Director, Corporate & Frontline Services
Mr.G.Isingrini – Group Director, Community & Children’s Services
Mr.P.J.Lucas – Director, Legal & Democratic Services
Mr.T.Wilkins – Director, Human Resources
Mr.C.Hanagan – Director, Cabinet & Public Relations
Ms.J.Cook – Director, Regeneration & Planning
Mr.R.Waters – Service Director, Highways & Streetcare Services
Ms.K.May – Head of Democratic Services

82 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from County Borough Councillors P.Baccara, H.Boggis, J.Bunnage, (Mrs.)J.Cass, C.Davies, (Mrs.)M.E.Davies, (Mrs.)L.De Vet, G.Holmes, s.Lloyd, R.B.McDonald, C.J.Middle, K.Morgan, I.Pearce, s.Powderhill, M.J.Powell, P.Wasley, M.Weaver, E.Webster, W.D.Weeks and T.Williams.

83 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Director, Legal and Democratic Services informed the Council that in respect of Agenda Item 2 – Appointment of Chief Executive, all Chief Officers present at today's meeting would have a personal and pecuniary interest, as on previous occasions and that during consideration of the item, all Chief Officers would leave the meeting except for the Director of Human Resources and himself. The Director of Human Resources would be presenting the report and address any queries Members may have and he would remain in the meeting to assist with any legal queries with regards to the report.

84 TRIBUTES TO MR.PAUL J.LUCAS, DIRECTOR OF LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

The Mayor announced that this would be the last Council Meeting to be attended by Mr.Paul J.Lucas, Director of Legal and Democratic Services as he was to retire as of the 31st December, 2016. The Mayor thanked Mr.Lucas for the work he has undertaken on behalf of the Council over his many years of service.

Many Members, including the Leader of the Council, the Leader of the main Opposition Group and Cabinet Members endorsed the Mayor's comments and all wished him a long, healthy and happy retirement.

85 CHANGE IN THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

The Mayor stated that there would be a change in the order of the agenda items as shown below.

86 CITY DEAL - PRESENTATION

The Leader reported that a report will be presented to a Council Meeting in January/February of next year in respect of moving the City Deal cabinet out of shadow following the progress made by the ten local authorities in terms of putting together the building blocks for the City Deal as a practical entity that can deliver the £1.2BN programme.

Members received Ms.J.Cook, Director of Planning and Regeneration and Mr.R.Waters, Service Director of Streetcare and Highways, who with the aid of PowerPoint slides gave their observations on Housing and Transport issues respectively, which was followed by an overall progress report by the Chief Executive.

Following responses to many questions raised by Members, the Leader reported that any additional queries that Members may have be brought to the attention of the respective Officers and himself prior to the matter being reported upon in the New Year.

RESOLVED – to note the information.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR, HUMAN RESOURCES

87 APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Pursuant to Minute No.67 of the Council Meeting held on the 26th October, 2016, the Director of Human Resources advised Members that following the assessment and interview process, the Appointments Committee determined on the 8th December, 2016 to recommend to council that Mr.Christopher Bradshaw be appointed to the post of Chief Executive.

RESOLVED – to ratify the recommendation of the Appointments Committee that Mr.Christopher Bradshaw be appointed to the post of Chief Executive from the 16th December, 2016.

Note:

Having earlier declared personal and pecuniary interests in the above matter (Minute No.83 refers), Mr.C.Bradshaw, Mr.C.Lee, Mr.G.Isingrini, Mr.C.Hanagan, Ms.J.Cook and Mr.R.Waters left the meeting during consideration of this item.

88 SEASONS GREETINGS

The Mayor wished all present, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and declared the meeting closed.

**R.LEWIS
MAYOR**

The meeting closed at 6.25 p.m.

