

CABINET

TUESDAY 11 JULY 2023

PRESENT: Councillors Simon Werner (Chair), Lynne Jones (Vice-Chair), Joshua Reynolds, Catherine Del Campo, Adam Bermange and Amy Tisi

Present Virtually: Councillors Richard Coe and Karen Davies

Officers: Oran Norris-Browne, Stephen Evans, Andrew Durrant, Elaine Browne, Kevin McDaniel and Michael Shepherd

Officers in attendance virtually: Alysse Strachan

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Hill. Councillors Coe & Davies were attending virtually so they could participate in discussions, but were unable to take part in any form of voting.

Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were made.

Minutes

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY: That the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 29 June 2023 were approved.

Leisure Services update and award of interim contract

Cabinet considered the report titled 'Leisure Services Update & Award of Interim Contract'.

Councillor Reynolds, Cabinet Member for Communities & Leisure, introduced the report to Cabinet and outlined the three options that were available, as outlined in table 2 of the report. Section 1 outlined in detail; the recommendation that was being put forward to Cabinet. He explained the risks that could potentially be involved if this recommendation was not agreed to as outlined within the report.

This was proposed by Councillor Reynolds and seconded by Councillor Werner.

AGREED UNANIMOUSLY: That Cabinet noted the report and:

- i) **Agreed to terminate the current Leisure Contract procurement process.**
- ii) **Agreed to a new 20-month interim contract to the incumbent leisure operator to ensure continuity of service allowing time for the consideration below to be made.**
- iii) **Requested officers conduct research to consider leisure delivery options in light of HMRC VAT ruling change and bring back to cabinet for decision on delivery option and if necessary, authority to run a new procurement process at the end of the interim contract.**
- iv) **Noted the risks and opportunities of taking the actions above.**

The meeting, which began at 7.00 pm, finished at 7.05 pm

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