



RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

COUNCIL

30 JUNE 2021

URGENT EXECUTIVE DECISIONS TAKEN FORWARD

**REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, DEMOCRATIC SERVICES AND
COMMUNICATION**

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1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 To present, for Members' information an overview of the Urgent Decisions taken forward by the Cabinet Committee and the Urgent Key Officer Delegated Decisions taken forward outside of the Cabinet Committee during the period January – May 2021.
- 1.2 This is excluding those reports which were presented to another Committee of the Council for final decision.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Members:

- 2.1 Note the information contained within the report.

3. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 In accordance with the Overview & Scrutiny Procedure Rules 17.2(a) Urgent Executive Decisions taken forward should be reported to Council for information purposes.
- 3.2 To assist in the openness and transparency of the Decision-making process within the Council.

4. **URGENT DECISIONS OF THE CABINET COMMITTEE**

- 4.1 The following urgent Decision was taken forward by the Cabinet Committee during the period January – May 2021:

Date	Decision Taken	Reason for Exemption
28-01-21	The Council's 2021/2022 Revenue Budget	To allow Phase 2 of the consultation to proceed with immediate effect; final budget strategy will be presented to Council on the 10th March 2021
25-03-21	Non Domestic Rate (NDR) Relief Scheme for Retail, Leisure and Hospitality	Due to the need for Non Domestic Rate demands to be dispatched in line with requirements.
29-04-21	Acquisition of Land to the North West of Harriet Street, Trecynon, being the former Mayhew Chicken Factory, Trecynon, Aberdare, RCT	The acquisition will need to be completed by 30th April 2021.

5. **DELEGATIONS OF EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS TO CABINET MEMBERS**

- 5.1 As outlined in Section 3 of the Leader's Scheme of Delegation, Cabinet Members are permitted to make decisions falling under their portfolio if deemed urgent to protect the interest of the Council, subject to prior consultation with the relevant Senior Leadership Team Officer(s).
- 5.2 The Leader can take urgent decisions in the absence of the appropriate portfolio holder.
- 5.3 The confirmation and signature of the Mayor or Deputy Mayor to the proposed decision must be sought in accordance with the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules 17.2(a)
- 5.4 The following urgent Cabinet Member Decision was taken forward during the period January – May 2021:

Date	Decision Taken	Reason for Exemption
12-02-21	Acquisition of 97- 102 Taff Street, Pontypridd CF37 4SL	The conditions attached to the purchase by the seller as regards to completion timescales.
27.05.21	RCT Together Application To The Community Renewal Fund	The closing date for the Community Renewal Fund in RCT is 31st May therefore it is vital for

		approval to be provided if the application is to meet this very tight timescale
27.05.21	Regional application 'Connect, Engage, Listen, Transform' to the Community renewal fund	The closing date for the Community Renewal Fund in RCT is 31st May therefore it is vital for approval to be provided if the application is to meet this very tight timescale.

6. DELEGATION OF EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS TO OFFICERS.

- 6.1 As outlined within section 6 of the Leaders Scheme of Delegation, and in accordance with Section 15 of the Local Government Act 2000, executive functions can be delegated to Officers (as set out within the terms of Section 5 of Part 3 of this part of the Council Constitution)
- 6.2 Following the Council AGM in 2016 and to increase transparency and accountability, Key Officer Delegated Decisions taken forward would be subject to the Overview and Scrutiny Call in procedure Rules.
- 6.3 The following urgent Key officer Delegated Decision was taken forward during the period January – May 2021:

Date	Decision Taken	Reason for Exemption
19-02-21	RCT Together – Community Asset Transfer of the Muni Arts Centre to Awen Cultural Trust (Registered Charity and Private Limited Company by guarantee without share capital).	There is an imminent deadline for refurbishment works to be undertaken before the end of March 2021, due to WG Targeted Regional Investment Funding criteria.

7. CONSULTATION

- 7.1 None Applicable, this report is for information purposes only.

8. EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 An Equality Impact Assessment is not needed because the contents of the report are for information purposes only.

9. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

9.1 There are no financial implications aligned to this report.

10. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS OR LEGISLATION CONSIDERED.

10.1 There are no legal implications aligned to this report.

11. LINKS TO THE COUNCILS CORPORATE PLAN / OTHER CORPORATE PRIORITIES.

11.1 All of the decisions taken forward link to the Councils Corporate plan / priorities and Members should look to each of the decisions to see how they link accordingly.

11.2 All decisions taken by the Executive are taken through the lens of the Well Being of Future Generations (Wales) Act, ensuring that the decision takes account of the impact it could have on people living their lives in Wales now and in the future.

12. CONCLUSION

12.1 Members are advised of the current position in respect of urgent decisions taken forward within Cabinet Committee and through Individual Cabinet Members and Officer Decisions.

Other Information:-

Relevant Scrutiny Committee – Overview & Scrutiny Committee

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

AS AMENDED BY

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

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Background Papers

- Annual General Meeting – May 2016