

South East Wales Corporate Joint Committee

11:00am-12:30pm on Monday 27 June 2022

Meeting Room 4, ICC Wales, Coldra Woods, The Usk Valley, Newport NP18 1HQ
and Microsoft Teams

Minutes

Committee Members

Cllr Stephen Thomas (MS Teams)	Leader	Blaenau Gwent CBC
Damien McCann	Interim Chief Executive Chair of Planning, Access and Rights of Way Committee	Blaenau Gwent CBC
Julian Stedman		Brecon Beacons NPA
Cllr Huw David OBE	Leader	Bridgend CBC
Mark Shephard	Chief Executive	Bridgend CBC
Cllr Huw Thomas	Leader	Cardiff Council
Cllr Sean Morgan	Leader	Caerphilly CBC
Christina Harrhy	Chief Executive	Caerphilly CBC
Cllr Geraint Thomas	Leader	Merthyr Tydfil CBC
Ellis Cooper	Chief Executive	Merthyr Tydfil CBC
Cllr Mary Ann Brocklesby (absent between 10:42- 10:46)	Leader	Monmouthshire CC
Paul Matthews (MS Teams)	Chief Executive	Monmouthshire CC
Cllr Jane Mudd	Leader	Newport CC
Beverly Owen	Chief Executive	Newport CC
Cllr Andrew Morgan OBE (MS Teams)	Leader	Rhondda Cynon Taf CBC
Christopher Bradshaw	Chief Executive	Rhondda Cynon Taf CBC
Cllr Richard Clark (MS Teams)	Member	Torfaen CBC
Cllr Lis Burnett	Leader	Vale of Glamorgan Council

Officers

Kellie Beirne (KB)	Interim Chief Executive	SEW CJC
Christopher Lee (CL)	Interim Section 151 Officer	SEW CJC
James Williams (MS Teams)	Interim Monitoring Officer	SEW CJC
Jon Day	Economic Policy Manager	Cardiff Council
Frances O'Brien	Chief Officer	
Marcus Goldsworthy	Head of Regeneration and Planning	Vale of Glamorgan Council
Rachel Jowitt (MS Teams)	Chief Officer	Torfaen CBC
Gill Brown	Group Accountant	Accountable Body
Lindsey Yeoman	Accountant	Accountable Body
Gareth Gates	Accountant	Accountable Body
Rhys Thomas	Chief Operating Officer	Office of the CCR
Hrjinder Singh	Head of Finance, Risk & Assurance	Office of the CCR

Nicola Somerville	Head of Inclusive Growth & Business Development	Office of the CCR
Rob O'Dwyer (MS Teams)	Head of Infrastructure	Office of the CCR
Jonathon Segarty	Corporate Governance Manager	Office of the CCR
Steven Hazleton	Marketing & Communications Lead	Office of the CCR
Vikky David (MS Teams)	Social Media & Website Officer	Office of the CCR
Gemma Jones	Graduate Development Officer	Office of the CCR
Liz Fitzgerald	Business Development & Partnership Officer	Office of the CCR

Observers

Sara-Jane Byrne (MS Teams)	Audit Manager	Audit Wales
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Apologies

Cllr Anthony Hunt	Leader	Torfaen CBC
Stephen Vickers	Chief Executive	Torfaen CBC
Paul Orders	Chief Executive	Cardiff Council
Rob Thomas	Chief Executive	Vale of Glamorgan Council
Suzanne Chesterton	Head of Governance, Policy and Communications	Office of the CCR
Nicola Butler	Business Development & Partnership Officer	Office of the CCR

Recording of the meeting started at 11:01

1. Welcome and Apologies

Cllr Stephen Thomas opened the meeting and apologies were noted.

2. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were received.

3. (a) Appointment of Chair for 2022/23 (b) Appointment of Vice Chair for 2022/23

(1) Appointment of Chair for 2022/23

Cllr Stephen Thomas asked for nominations for Chair. Cllr Huw Thomas nominated Cllr Anthony Hunt, seconded by Cllr Mudd. No other nominations were received.

(2) The SEW CJC accepted the nomination and Cllr Anthony Hunt was appointed Chair of the SEW CJC for 2022/23.

(3) Appointment of Vice Chair for 2022/23

Cllr Stephen Thomas asked for nominations for Vice Chair. Cllr Huw Thomas nominated Cllr Mudd, seconded by Cllr Morgan. No other nominations were received.

- (4) Cllr Stephen Thomas congratulated Cllr Hunt and Cllr Mudd and handed the chair to Cllr Mudd.

4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 31 January 2022

The minutes of the previous meeting on 31 January were agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

5. 2021/22 Financial Out-turn and Annual Return

- (1) CL introduced the report and outlined the key points including the services provided via the three SLAs with Rhondda Cynon Taf CBC, Cardiff Council and the CCR. It was a part-year budget and there was a small surplus. Officers would work with Audit Wales over the summer to publish approved accounts no later than November. Christopher thanked officers for their work in preparation of the outturn.
- (2) It was resolved that the SEW CJC:
 - (1) noted the Final Budget Out-turn position for the financial year ended 31st March 2022 as set-out in the report;
 - (2) approved the Annual Return attached at Appendix 1 and authorised the CJC Chair (or CJC Vice-Chair if the CJC Chair was absent) to sign the Annual Return on its behalf and for its onward submission to Audit Wales, to commence the 2021/22 audit as set out in this report;
 - (3) noted that the findings of the external audit shall be reported back to the CJC for approval and signature of the audited Annual Return at a future meeting and no later than 30th September 2022.

The meeting ended at 11:06

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