MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF BARRY TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, 17 MAY 2021 AT 6.00 PM

PRESENT: The Retiring Mayor (Councillor Wilkinson), together with Councillors Aviet, Bailey (arrived at 6.12pm), Brooks, Charles, Clarke, Collins, Drake, Hampton, Hawkins, N Hodges, S Hodges, Hooper, Johnson, Lloyd-Selby, Nugent-Finn, Payne (arrived at 6.21pm), Perkes, Richardson (arrived at 7.12pm), Rowlands, Wiliam and Wright.

ALSO PRESENT:	Mark Sims	- - - -	Chief Officer Deputy Chief Officer Facilities and Cemeteries Manager Community Engagement Officer Projects Officer
_	Rebecca Blackwell	-	Office Team Leader

PROCEDURAL

882. ROLL CALL

The Chief Officer took a roll call of all those present.

883. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None were received.

884. <u>TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER THE</u> COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT

None were received.

885. TO ELECT A TOWN MAYOR FOR THE 2021/22 MUNICIPAL YEAR AS DIRECTED IN STATUTE, LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 SS 15(2) AND 34(2)

Nominations were received for the position of Mayor of Barry Town Council for the municipal year 2021/22 as follows:

Councillor Wiliam – nominated by Councillor Clarke and seconded by Councillor N Hodges.

A vote was taken, the result of which was unanimous that Councillor Wiliam be elected as Town Mayor for 2021/22 municipal year by a majority vote.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Wiliam be elected as Town Mayor for the 2021/22 municipal year by a majority vote.

886. TO RECEIVE THE NEWLY ELECTED TOWN MAYOR'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

The newly elected Town Mayor made their Declaration of Acceptance to the Office of Town Mayor, in the presence of the Chief Officer.

887. <u>TO ELECT A DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR FOR THE 2021/22</u> <u>MUNICIPAL YEAR</u>

Nominations were received for the position of Deputy Town Mayor of Barry Town Council for the municipal year 2021/22 as follows:-

Councillor Wilkinson – nominated by Councillor Brooks and seconded by Councillor Aviet.

A vote was taken, the result of which was unanimous that Councillor Wilkinson be elected as Deputy Town Mayor for the 2021/22 municipal year by a majority vote

RESOLVED: That Councillor Wilkinson be elected as Deputy Town Mayor for the 2021/22 municipal year by a majority vote.

888. TO RECEIVE THE NEWLY ELECTED DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

The newly elected Deputy Town Mayor made their Declaration of Acceptance to the Office of Deputy Town Mayor, in the presence of the Chief Officer.

889. INVESTITURE OF THE NEW CONSORT AND DEPUTY CONSORT

The Mayor named Nicola Branson as his consort and the Deputy Mayor named Jayne Norman has her Consort

890. TO RECEIVE THE RETIRED MAYOR'S SPEECH

The Retired Mayor, Councillor Wilkinson gave her speech which congratulated Councillor Wiliam on becoming Mayor for the year ahead. Councillor Wilkinson thanked all the Councillors for electing her as Mayor in 2019 and then re-electing her as Mayor in 2020 and said it has been an honour to be Mayor for Barry. She also mentioned that we must remember those who are not with us and have lost their lives during the pandemic, not only from Covid-19, but other causes too.

Councillor Wilkinson paid particular thanks to all the staff at Barry Town Council, those who work at the Cemetery, the Caretakers who work behind the scenes, her Secretary Manda Webb and her Chaplain Reverend Carole Challis. Councillor Wilkinson advised that she had raised a total of £3,500 for her charities and thanked Councillor Clarke who made a donation to her charities.

Councillor Bailey arrived 6.12pm

891. <u>TO RECEIVE THE NEWLY ELECTED TOWN MAYOR'S SPEECH,</u> <u>INCLUDING NOTIFICATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF THEIR</u> <u>CHAPLAIN AND ANY ARRANGEMENTS FOR THEIR CIVIC</u> <u>SERVICE</u>

The newly elected Mayor, Councillor Wiliam thanked the Councillors for electing him as Mayor and also made thanks to the Retiring Mayor Councillor Wilkinson for her work as Mayor over the last two years with thanks being made to Councillor Clarke for being the Deputy Town Mayor. Mr Mayor named his charities as Barry RNLI and Barry Foodbank. He advised that he intends to hold his Civic Service at the new Cemetery Approach Community Centre, with details to be arranged, and his Chaplain will be Reverend Kevin Davies.

892. WELL-BEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS (WALES) ACT 2015

It was noted that this Act sets out the requirement for a public body to act in a manner which seeks to ensure **that the needs of the present are met without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.**

In order to act in that manner, a public body must take account of the following things:

- (a) the importance of balancing short term needs with the need to safeguard the ability to meet long term needs, especially where things done to meet short term needs may have detrimental long term effect;
- (b) the need to take an integrated approach, by considering how—

(i) the body's well-being objectives may impact upon each of the wellbeing goals;

(ii) the body's well-being objectives impact upon each other or upon other public bodies' objectives, in particular where steps taken by the body may contribute to meeting one objective but may be detrimental to meeting another;

(c) the importance of involving other persons with an interest in achieving the well-being goals and of ensuring those persons reflect the diversity of the population of the part of Wales in relation to which the body exercises functions;

(d) how acting in collaboration with any other person (or how different parts of the body acting together) could assist the body to meet its wellbeing objectives, or assist another body to meet its objectives; (e) how deploying resources to prevent problems occurring or getting worse may contribute to meeting the body's well-being objectives, or another body's objectives.

RESOLVED: That the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 be noted.

893. TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL HELD ON 28 APRIL 2021 AS A CORRECT RECORD

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting of Full Council held on 28 April 2021 be approved and signed as a correct record.

894. <u>TO CONSIDER QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS (STANDING</u> ORDER 3(E) REFERS)

None were received.

895. TO CONSIDER QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC (STANDING ORDER 3(F) REFERS)

None were received.

896. TO CONSIDER MOTIONS SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLORS

None were received.

897. TO RECEIVE COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

The Mayor advised that he had nothing planned as yet

RESOLVED: That communications from the Mayor be received and noted.

898. TO RECEIVE AND NOTE THE MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE SUSTAINABLE BARRY WORKING GROUP HELD ON 29 APRIL 2021 AND TO CONSIDER ANY RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED THEREIN

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of the Sustainable Barry Working Group held on 29 April 2021 be noted.

899. TO ELECT A LEADER OF THE COUNCIL FOR 2021/22 NOTING THAT AS THERE IS NO OVERALL MAJORITY PARTY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL WILL BE ELECTED BY THE COUNCIL IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDING ORDER 33(1)(B)

> Members were asked to elect a Leader noting that as there was no overall majority party that the Leader of the Council will be elected by the Council in accordance with Standing Order 33 (1)(b).

Councillor Perkes nominated Councillor Brooks and Council Drake seconded the nomination.

A vote was taken, the result of which was unanimous that Councillor Brooks be elected as Leader of the Council.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Brooks be elected as Leader of the Council for the 2021/22 municipal year.

900. <u>TO APPOINT THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL COMMITTEES FOR THE</u> ENSUING MINICIPAL YEAR AND APPROVE THEIR TERMS OF REFERENCE

Councillor Brooks proposed changes to Memorial Hall and Theatre Working Group, to place Councillor Lloyd-Selby in place of Councillor Aviet and to place Councillor Aviet on the Fairtrade Advisory Group in place of Councillor Lloyd-Selby and to place Councillor Richardson in place of Councillor Payne on the Welsh Language Working Group. Committee membership was therefore agreed as follows:

1. <u>To appoint to the Council's Standing Committees</u>

a. Finance, Policy & General Purposes

Councillors Brooks, Drake, Hampton, N Hodges, S Hodges, Lloyd-Selby and Rowlands.

b. Halls, Cemeteries & Community Facilities

Councillors Aviet, Clarke, N Hodges, Johnson, Nugent-Finn, Richardson and Rowlands.

c. **Personnel**

Councillors Charles, Clarke, Payne, Perkes, Wiliam, Wilkinson and Wright.

d. Planning

Councillors Aviet (Gibbonsdown), Bailey (Dyfan), Collins (Castleland), Charles (Illtyd), Hawkins (Gibbonsdown), S Hodges (Baruc), Payne (Cadoc) and Perkes (Court).

2. <u>To appoint to Working Parties and non-standing</u> <u>committees</u>

e. Memorial Hall & Theatre Working Party

Councillors Brooks, Charles, Clarke, Drake, S Hodges, Lloyd-Selby and Wiliam.

f. Fairtrade Advisory Committee

Councillors Aviet, Hampton, Hawkins, S Hodges, Johnson, Richardson and Wright.

(Noting that members of the public with voting rights are permitted for the Fairtrade Advisory Committee.)

g. Local Investment Committee

Councillors Bailey, Brooks, N Hodges, S Hodges, Hooper, Lloyd-Selby and Nugent-Finn.

h. Reshaping of Services Working Party

Councillors Hawkins, S Hodges, Johnson, Lloyd-Selby, Nugent-Finn, Richardson and Rowlands.

i. Shop Local Barry Advisory Committee

Councillors Collins, Hampton, Hawkins, S Hodges, Payne, Perkes and Wright.

(Noting that members of the public with voting rights are permitted for the Shop Local Advisory Committee)

j. Welsh Language Working Party

Councillors Richardson, Rowlands and Wiliam.

k. Working Party to Consider Consultations Received

Councillors Charles, Clarke, Drake, N Hodges and Wilkinson.

I. Innovation Working Party

Councillors Bailey, Brooks, Drake and N Hodges.

m. Community Plan Working Group

Councillors Brooks, Charles and S Hodges

n. Sustainable Barry Working Group

Councillors Clarke, Drake, S Hodges, Lloyd-Selby, Payne, Rowlands and Wright

o. Commemorative Naming Advisory Group

Councillor Brooks, Charles, Clarke, Drake, Hampton, Johnson and Payne

Councillor Payne arrived at 6.21pm

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the above members be appointed to Committees for the ensuing municipal year as per Standing Order 4(g) appendix 1.
- 2. That the Terms of Reference for each Committee be approved.

901. <u>TO ELECT THE CHAIRPERSONS AND VICE-CHAIRPERSONS OF</u> <u>THE STANDING COMMITTEES LISTED ABOVE</u>

Members felt that it would be useful to have continuity of Chairpersons and Vice-Chairpersons for the 2021/22 municipal year and agreed that these positions should remain the same as 2020/21. Chairpersons and Vice-Chairpersons were therefore agreed as follows:

Finance Policy & General Purposes

It was noted that Councillor Brooks is the current Chairperson of the Finance, Policy & General Purposes Committee.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Brooks remains as Chairperson of the Finance, Policy & General Purposes Committee for the municipal year of 2021/22.

It was noted that Councillor Lloyd-Selby is the current Vice-Chairperson of the Finance, Policy & General Purposes Committee.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Lloyd-Selby remains as Vice-Chairperson of the Finance, Policy & General Purposes Committee for the municipal year of 2021/22.

Halls, Cemeteries & Community Facilities

It was noted that Councillor N Hodges is the current Chairperson of the Halls, Cemeteries & Community Facilities Committee.

RESOLVED: That Councillor N Hodges remains as Chair of the Halls, Cemeteries & Community Facilities Committee for the municipal year of 2021/22.

It was noted that Councillor Richardson is the current Vice-Chairperson of the Halls, Cemeteries & Community Facilities Committee.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Richardson remains as Vice-Chairperson of the Halls, Cemeteries & Community Facilities Committee for the municipal year of 2021/22.

<u>Personnel</u>

It was noted that Councillor Charles is the current Chairperson of the Personnel Committee for the municipal year of 2021/22.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Charles remains as Chair of the Personnel Committee for the municipal year of 2021/22.

It was noted that Councillor Payne is the current Vice-Chairperson of the Personnel Committee by Councillor Perkes and seconded by Councillor Charles.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Payne remains as Vice-Chairperson of the Personnel Committee for the municipal year of 2021/22.

<u>Planning</u>

It was noted that Councillor Hawkins is the current Chairperson of the Planning Committee.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Hawkins remains as Chairperson of the Planning Committee for the municipal year of 2021/22.

It was noted that Councillor Perkes is the current Vice-Chairperson of the Planning Committee.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Payne remains as Vice-Chairperson of the Planning Committee for the municipal year of 2021/22.

RESOLVED: That Chairs of all Working Parties and Non-Standing Committees would remain as per 2021/22 positions for continuity and consistency.

902. TO APPOINT REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Members were provided with the current Outside Bodies Membership. Councillor Brooks requested to make one change to Barry YMCA, Councillor Perkes would replace Councillor Hawkins as a representative. Representatives on outside bodies were therefore agreed as follows:

Barry YMCA

Councillor Perkes Councillor Payne

Barry Youth Council (when active)

Councillor Wiliam (Town Mayor) Councillor Charles (Representative) Councillor Payne (Representative)

Gibbonsdown Children's Centre

Councillor Wiliam (Town Mayor) **Councillor Clarke Councillor Perkes**

Society of Local Council Clerks - Larger Local Council Forum

Councillor Wiliam (Town Mayor)

One Voice Wales

Councillor S Hodges (Representative) Councillor Brooks (Representative) Councillor Rowlands (Substitute)

One Voice Wales - Larger Local Councils Meeting Councillor Hawkins

Public Services Board Workshops/Events

Councillor Lloyd-Selby (Representative) Councillor S Hodges (Substitute)

Barry Sense of Place Board

Councillor S Hodges (Representative) Councillor Payne (Substitute)

Town Centre Forum

Councillor Hooper (Representative) Councillor Payne (Substitute)

Glamorgan Voluntary Service Network

Councillor Wiliam (Town Mayor)

Vale of Glamorgan Biodiversity Partnership

Councillor N Hodges (Chair of Halls, Cemeteries & Community Facilities Committee) Councillor Richardson (Vice-chairperson of Halls, Cemeteries & Community Facilities Committee)

Vale of Glamorgan Destination Management Partnership

Councillor N Hodges (Representative)

Vale of Glamorgan Community Liaison Committee

Councillor S Hodges (Representative) Councillor Perkes (Substitute)

Vale of Glamorgan Project Board (Cemetery Approach)

Councillor N Hodges (Chair of Halls, Cemeteries & Community Facilities Committee)

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the above appointments be agreed
- 2. That letters are sent to each organisation to notify them of the Council's representatives and request that future notifications of meetings be forwarded to the relevant representative(s) and the Chief Officer.

903. SCHEDULE OF TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS FOR 2021/22

Members were requested to consider the schedule of Town Council meetings for 2021/22. The Chief Officer noted that in preparation of these, there were a number of clashes with Vale of Glamorgan Council meetings this year.

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the Schedule of Town Council meetings for 2021/22 be received, noting the clashes with the Vale of Glamorgan Council.
- 2. That the Schedule of Town Council meetings for 2021/22 be circulated to all Members.
- 3. That the Schedule of Town Council meetings for 2021/22 be uploaded to the Town Council website for access by members of the public.

904. <u>TO AGREE THE COUNCILS APPROACH TO MEETINGS FOR</u> 2021/22

The Chief Officer referred to her report in which it stated that the law has changed to allow Councils to meet virtually due to the Coronavirus Pandemic and since then, new legislative requirements introduced by the Local Government and Elections Wales Act 2021. The Chief Officer requested members' thoughts in relation to hybrid model for committee meetings (in line with Coronavirus regulations) noting that members have expressed previously that they would prefer Full Council meetings to be face to face, whilst some members preferred the virtual approach.

Councillor Brooks advised that a hybrid approach gives flexibility due to the ever-changing nature of the Pandemic and personal circumstances members may have.

Councillor S Hodges agreed with Councillor Brooks and advised that as the country starts to re-open, more controversial planning applications are being submitted and requested that Planning has the ability for public participation to enable residents to raise concerns to members about applications.

Members were in agreement and requested that as the circumstances around the pandemic change that the Councils approach to meetings is reviewed after the summer recess.

RESOLVED: That a hybrid approach to meetings is agreed with a view to review the situation after the summer recess.

905. TO RE-ADOPT THE COUNCILS STANDING ORDERS FOR 2021/22

The Chief Officer made members aware that the Councils Standing Orders for 2020/21 were agreed and adopted at the Annual Meeting held on 28 September 2020 but this was not reflected in the minutes.

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the Council's Standing Orders were adopted in 2020/21 but were omitted from the record of the meeting;
- 2. That the Council's Standing Orders for 2021/22 be noted and re-adopted.

906. TO RE-ADOPT THE COUNCILS FINANCIAL REGULATIONS FOR 2021/22

The Chief Officer made members aware that the Councils Financial Regulations for 2020/21 were agreed and adopted at the Annual Meeting held on 28 September 2020 but was not reflected in the minutes.

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the Council's Financial Regulations were adopted in 2020/21 but were omitted from the record of the meeting;
- 2. That the Council's Financial Regulations for 2021/22 be noted and re-adopted.

907. <u>TO RE-ADOPT THE COUNCIL'S SCHEME OF DELEGATION 2021</u> (WHICH WAS AMENDED IN SEPTEMBER 2020)

Members were provided with the Council's Scheme of Delegation which had been amended in September 2020.

RESOLVED: That the Council's Scheme of Delegation be noted and re-adopted.

908. <u>TO CONFIRM THE COUNCIL'S CHEQUE SIGNATORIES FOR</u> 2021/22

Members were requested to determine the Council's cheque signatories for 2021/22.

Councillor Brooks Councillor Charles Councillor NP Hodges Councillor Hooper Councillor Perkes

Plus either	Emily Forbes	-	Chief Officer
	Mark Sims	-	Deputy Chief Officer

RESOLVED: That the following are Council cheque signatories for 2021/22:-

Any two of	Councillor Brooks
-	Councillor Charles
	Councillor N Hodges
	Councillor Hooper
	Councillor Perkes

Plus either		Emily Forbes	-	Chief Officer
	or	Mark Sims	-	Deputy Chief Officer

909. TO CONFIRM THE COUNCIL'S CHEQUE SIGNATORIES FOR THE TOWN MAYORS CHARITY ACCOUNT FOR 2021/22

Members were requested to determine the cheque signatories for the Mayor's Charity Account for 2021/22.

Councillor Wiliam (Town Mayor)

Plus either or:- Emily Forbes (Chief Officer) Mark Sims (Deputy Chief Officer)

RESOLVED: That the following are cheque signatories for the Mayor's Charity Account for the ensuing municipal year 2021/22:-

Councillor Wiliam (Town Mayor)

Plus either Emily Forbes (Chief Officer) or Mark Sims (Deputy Chief Officer)

910. TO RE-ADOPT THE TOWN COUNCIL'S CIVIC PROTOCOL

Members were provided with the Town Council's Civic Protocol. Councillor Brooks suggested that it be amended to reflect the unprecedented year due to the pandemic.

Councillor S Hodges suggested that it be adopted with a view to amend to reflect the Pandemic and that amendments are discussed at a further meeting of Full Council.

RESOLVED: That the Town Council's Civic Protocol be approved and re-adopted with a view to make an amendment to reflect a pandemic and that it be discussed at a future meeting of Full Council.

911. TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE TOWN COUNCIL'S RISK REGISTER NOTING THE SEPARATE RISK ASSESSMENT IN RELATION TO CORONAVIRUS REGULATIONS

Members were provided with a report containing the Town Council's Risk Assessments Register.

RESOLVED: That the Town Council's Risk Register be received and approved noting the separate risk assessment in relation to Coronavirus Regulations.

912. <u>TO REVIEW AND ADOPT THE TOWN COUNCIL'S STAFF</u> <u>HANDBOOK</u>

Members were asked to consider the Town Council's Staff Handbook. The Chief Officer advised that new policies had been agreed at the Finance, Policy and General Purposes Committee and had been added to the Staff Handbook.

RESOLVED: That the Staff Handbook be noted and adopted, noting updated policies which have been agreed by Finance, Policy & General Purposes Committee and consulted on with staff and Unions throughout the year

913. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ELECTIONS (WALES) ACT 2021

Members were provided with a paper circulated from the Vale of Glamorgan Council Community Liaison Committee and were asked to receive and note an overview of key areas of interest for Town and Community Councils.

RESOLVED: That the information on the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 be received and noted

FINANCE REPORTS

914. INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL WALES ANNUAL REPORT 2021/22

Members were provided with the Independent Remuneration Panel Wales Annual Report 2021/22.

RESOLVED: That the Independent Remuneration Panel Wales Annual report 2021/22 be received and noted and that the Council maintains the current provision with regards to the nonmandatory determinations.

915. TO NOTE THE COUNCIL'S EXPENDITURE INCURRED UNDER S.137 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AND THE POWER OF WELLBEING

Members were provided with a report advising them of the expenditure incurred under S.137 of the Local Government Act 1972 and the Power of Wellbeing.

RESOLVED: That the Council's Expenditure of £222,530 incurred during 2020/21 under S.137 of the Local Government Act 1972 and the Power of Wellbeing be received and noted.

916. TO RECEIVE AND NOTE THE ANNUAL UPDATE REPORT ON CEMETERIES AND FACILITIES

Members were provided with an update on the Cemeteries and Facilities services and work programmes during 2020/21.

Members thanked all those who were involved in the opening of the new Cemetery Approach Community Centre and thanked the Staff for the work at the Cemetery.

RESOLVED: That the annual update on Cemeteries and Facilities be received and noted.

917. <u>TO RECEIVE AND NOTE THE ANNUAL STAFF AND COUNCILLOR</u> TRAINING REPORT

Members received a report detailing the training taken between September 2020 and April 2021.

RESOLVED: That the Annual Staff and Councillor training report be received and noted.

918. <u>TO RECEIVE AND NOTE AN ANNUAL UPDATE FROM THE</u> ENGAGEMENT AND EVENTS TEAM

Members were provided with an annual update from the Engagement and Events Team.

The Community Engagement Officer gave members an update in relation to the Barry Youth Council and advised members that the bunting will be installed by the late May bank holiday.

Councillor Brooks thanked the Community Engagement Officer for her hard work and advised that she is delighted to see the Barry Youth Council making progress.

The Chief Officer provided members with an update in relation to the Council's website advising that a lot of hard work is being undertaken to prepare the website and showed some preview screen shots.

Councillor Nugent-Finn advised that domestic violence is on young people's agenda and that this should be possibly picked up via Barry Youth Council. The Community Engagement Officer advised that this is something that can be raised at the Barry Youth Council meetings.

Councillor Payne thanked the Community Engagement Officer and the Project Officers for their work and advised that the Youth Council will be led by the young people. Councillor S Hodges also thanked the Community Engagement Team and was happy to hear about the installation of the bunting. She also noted that hybrid meetings may help to engage with young people as it takes the formal approach from face to face council meetings which can be daunting.

Councillor Clarke congratulated the Chief Officer on success of the design of the new website and of trademarking the Town Council's Crest.

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the annual update from the Engagement and Events Team be received and noted.
- 2. That the 'Draft Marketing and Communications Strategy' be received and noted and is forwarded onto a meeting of the Innovation Working Party for further discussion.
- 3. That the 'Community Engagement Strategy update' be received and noted and is forwarded onto a meeting of the Innovation Working Party for further discussion.
- 4. That the Engagement and Events Team Plan be received and noted together with the teams 2021/22 objectives.

919. TO APPROVE THE COUNCIL'S DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT

Members were provided with the Council's Draft Annual Report. The Chief Officer thanked the Community Engagement Officer for the production of the draft Annual Report.

Councillor Brooks thanked the staff for the hard work through a difficult year and advised that it was great to see the success of the Covid-19 recovery grants.

Councillor S Hodges also thanked the staff for their hard work and fully supports the work going forward.

RESOLVED: That the Council's Draft Annual Report be approved for publication with the Leader's introduction included.

920. <u>TO NOTE REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES SERVING ON</u> OUTSIDE BODIES ARE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION IN THE LEAVER ARCH FILE KEPT IN THE MAIN OFFICE AND INFORMATION E-CIRCULARS SENT REGULARLY

RESOLVED: That the reports from representatives serving on outside bodies be received and noted.

921. TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE COUNCIL'S FINAL DRAFT CLIMATE CHANGE STRATEGY AND ACTION PLAN FOLLOWING PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Members were provided with the Council's Final Draft Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan following public consultation.

The Projects Officer advised that the public consultation had been successful and that the action plan had been updated to reflect the concerns raised.

Councillor Clarke requested that the Council should have the action plan that relates to the Town and Community Councils Charter as there is a joint interest with the Vale of Glamorgan.

Councillor Richardson arrived 7.12pm

Councillor S Hodges thanked the Projects Officer, staff and the Sustainable Barry Working Group for their hard work.

RESOLVED:

- 1. That members approve the Climate Change Strategy for adoption, noting that it will be made public and will be complied into a more reader-friendly format.
- 2. That the Climate Change Action Plan be approved, noting that it will be a live document that will be reviewed by the Sustainable Barry Working Group to ensure a continued progression towards the overarching goal of net zero carbon by 2030.
- 3. That the current Environmental Management Audits: 'Our Starting Point' be received and noted
- 4. That the Public Services Board Climate Change Charter be noted
- 5. That the Sustainable Projects Officer will report annually on the progress of the Climate Change Action Plan to ensure accountability and an internal focus on Barry Town Council's continued commitment to mitigate its impact on the environment.

922. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Chief Officer advised that the meeting of Full Council will be held in accordance with the hybrid approach previously agreed and that early indication of attendance in person would be welcomed to determine safe numbers for Covid-19 restrictions in the hall

RESOLVED: That the next meeting of Full Council is scheduled to be held on 28 June 2021 at the Cemetery Approach Community Centre on a hybrid basis with remote access.

The meeting closed at 7.20 pm.

Signed (Town Mayor)

Dated