DRAFT MINUTES FROM THE FINANCE EMPLOYMENT AND POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING OF PENNARD COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON THE 12th NOV AT 7.00 PM

Present: Cllr Jon Dickson JD (Chair), Cllr Keith Roberts KR, Cllr Cari Jones CJ, Cllr Richard Beynon RB, Clerk

Apologies for absence: Cllr Rebecca Donnachie, Cllr Rachel Carter

Declarations of interest: None
All votes will be named votes
Questions from the Public relating to items on this agenda (limited to 10 minutes) – none

Under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media will be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted
Proposed by JD seconded by KR agreed by all

1. To receive and discuss the tenant rent review recommendation
The Market Rent Valuation was briefly discussed having been sent round prior to the meeting, there were no questions or amendments suggested, and it was proposed that the recommendations be accepted.
Proposed by KR seconded by RB agreed by all

A tenant representative joined the meeting at 7.13pm

2. To discuss the recommended rate with the tenant and receive their views
The recommendation was discussed with the tenant, who raised a question regarding the calculation method used in the report, it was explained that the report seemed to base the calculation on square footage. A lengthy discussion ensued and the tenant was advised that they would be welcome to obtain their own valuation. The Clerk was asked to obtain clarification on the calculation method used.

The tenant representative left the meeting at 7.40pm

3. To agree the rent pricing for the next three years from 1st Oct 2026 to 30th Sept 2029 for recommendation to Full Council.

JD proposed that this item be adjourned pending clarification of the calculation used in the report. Further discussion ensued.
KR proposed an amendment
To recommend the rental figure to Full council subject to clarification being provided by the Valuer that the figure was calculated on the square footage.
The amendment was Seconded by CJ, but JD and RB voted against.
After further discussion
JD went on to propose that the rent review be accepted and the rent pricing for the next three years be recommended to the Full Council.
Seconded by RB agreed by all

The Meeting closed at 7.58pm