

CYNGOR BWRDEISTREF SIROL RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

COMMITTEE SUMMONS

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The Pavilions
Cambrian Park
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YOU ARE SUMMONED to a meeting of RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL to be held at The Council Chamber, The Pavilions, Cambrian Park, Clydach Vale, Tonypandy, CF40 2XX on WEDNESDAY, 18TH SEPTEMBER, 2019 at 5.00 PM.

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1. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

To receive disclosures of personal interests from Members in accordance with the Code of Conduct

- Members are requested to identify the item number and subject that their interest relates to and signify the nature of the personal interest; and
- 2. Where Members withdraw from a meeting as a consequence of the disclosure of prejudicial interest they **must** notify the Chairman when they leave.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

3. MINUTES

To approve as an accurate record, the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 31st July 2019.

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OPEN GOVERNMENT:

4. STATEMENTS

In accordance with Open Government Council Meeting Procedure Rule 2, to receive any statements from the Leader of the Council and/or statements from Cabinet Portfolio Holders:

5. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

To receive Members questions in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 9.2.

(**N.B** a maximum of 20 minutes shall be allowed for questions on notice.)

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WALES AUDIT OFFICE

6. WALES AUDIT OFFICE ANNUAL IMPROVEMENT AUDIT

To receive the Annual Improvement Audit from the Wales Audit Office

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OFFICERS' REPORTS

COUNCIL WORK PROGRAMME - FOR MEMBERS INFORMATION

7. BREXIT - UPDATE

To receive an update from the Chief Executive.

8. REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS BY THE LOCAL DEMOCRACY AND BOUNDARY COMMISSION FOR WALES

To receive the joint report of the Director of Legal Services and Service Director, Democratic Services & Communication.

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9. LOW CARBON VEHICLE (LCV) INFRASTRUCTURE IN RHONDDA CYNON TAF - NOTICE OF MOTION UPDATE

To receive the report of the Service Director of Democratic Services & Communication.

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10. CHANGE OF MEMBERSHIP

To receive the report of the Service Director of Democratic Services & Communication

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11. NOTICE OF MOTION

A. To consider the under-mentioned Notice of Motion standing in the names of County Borough Councillors G.Davies, K.Morgan, P.Jarman, D.Grehan, H.Fychan, J.Williams, A.Cox, D.Macey, J.Cullwick, J.Davies, M.Weaver, S.Rees Owen, L.Jones E.Stephens E,Griffiths, E,Webster, S.M. Evans, and A. Chapman.

With the advent of the approved Metro in 2022; coupled with the aspirations as set out in the Council's proposed Tourism strategy the time is now right to push for future rail development in the County.

This Council therefore calls on the Cardiff Capital Region City Deal Joint Cabinet and Transport for Wales to commit to extending the Aberdare passenger line to Hirwaun subject to full consultation with the public and other stakeholders on the location of the station so that it is accessible and fully utilised.

This Council further calls on the Cardiff Capital Region City Deal Joint Cabinet and Transport for Wales to also extend the Treherbert line to Tynewydd. subject to its inclusion in the reviewed RCT Local Development Plan.

B. To consider the under-mentioned Notice of Motion standing in the names of County Borough Councillors J. Bonetto, M. Webber, , L. M. Adams, D. R. Bevan, H Boggis, S. Bradwick, J Brencher, A Calvert, G. Caple, A. Crimmings, A. Davies-Jones, L De- Vet, J Elliott, S.Evans, M Fidler Jones, M. Forey, A. Fox, E. George, M. Griffiths, J. Harries G. Holmes, G. Hopkins, G. W. Hughes, G. Jones, R. Lewis, W Lewis, C. Leyshon, A. Morgan, S. Morgans, M. A. Norris, D. Owen-Jones, S Pickering, S. Powell, S Rees, A. Roberts, J. Rosser, G Stacey, M Tegg, G Thomas, W Treeby, R K Turner, D. Williams, T. Williams, C. J. Willis and R. Yeo.

After almost a decade of public sector austerity and the resulting savage cuts across public sector funding imposed by consecutive Conservative-led Westminster Government, this Council notes the staggering loss of 60p out of every £1 received from central government to local government in the last ten years.

This Council wishes to place on record how this unsustainable arrangement is placing significant burden on the essential frontline services run by Councils and continues to push local authorities towards a crisis point as the demands on services such as social care and education continue to escalate.

As part of this, hardworking public sector staff have also suffered through years of pay restraint that has contributed to a real-terms decrease in wages, despite increasing workloads and job insecurity. As a result, this Council would like to place on record its thanks for the immense contribution Rhondda Cynon Taf Council's staff make each and every day in providing the best possible services in challenging circumstances.

This Council believes that:

- The extent of austerity has reached a point where even the awarding of a proper pay rise could seriously threaten the delivery of frontline services.
- As a consequence of this, the Council believes that the UK Government must take responsibility and fully fund a fair increase in pay for Council staff and not transfer the responsibility to local authorities.

This Council therefore resolves to:

- Support our Trade Union colleagues in demanding a fair and fully funded pay settlement for the Council's staff.
- Call on the WLGA and LGA to make representation to the UK Government.
- Write to the Chancellor and Secretary of State to call for a pay increase for local government workers to be funded with new money from central government.
- Meet with local NJC union representatives to convey support for the pay claim.
- Continue to encourage all Council employees to join a trade union.

12. URGENT BUSINESS

To consider any items which the Chair, by reason of special circumstances, is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency.

Service Director of Democratic Services & Communication

To: All Members of the Council