Sections 14(7) and 15(7) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 and Section 2 Local Government Byelaws (Wales) Act 2012.

NOTICE OF INTENTION IS HEREBY GIVEN that Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council (the Council) in pursuance of sections 14(7) and 15(7) of the Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1982 (the Act) and section 120 of the Local Government Act 2003 proposes to adopt byelaws (*The Model Byelaws for Acupuncture, Tattooing, Semi-Permanent Skin Colouring, Cosmetic Piercing and Electrolysis*) for the purposes of securing the cleanliness of premises registered under section 14(1) or 15(1) or both of the Act and fittings in such premises and of persons registered under sections 14(1) or 15(1) or both of the Act and persons assisting them and of securing the cleansing and, so far as appropriate, sterilisation of instruments, materials and equipment used in connection with the practice of acupuncture or the business of tattooing, semi-permanent skin-colouring, cosmetic piercing or electrolysis. These byelaws are being made under powers conferred under the Local Government Byelaws (Wales) Act 2012, section 2.

If the Model Byelaws are adopted by the Council, it will be possible for the Council to prosecute both non-compliant and unregistered practitioners. On conviction, the Court may impose a fine and /or suspend or cancel the person's registration. The Court may also suspend or cancel his premises registration so that the practitioner may no longer operate from them.

Should the Council resolve to adopt the Model Byelaws, when the proposed byelaws come into effect, the existing byelaws on ear piercing, tattooing, acupuncture and electrolysis currently in force in the Borough will cease to have effect.

The proposed byelaws may be viewed at www.gov.wales/docs/phhs/publications/110705modelen.doc or a copy will be provided on request at the address below.

If you wish to make representations about the proposal you should send them in writing to the undersigned within 21 days of the date of publication of this Notice.

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