



**RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**RECORD OF DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE**

**DECISION MADE BY: Cabinet    DATE DECISION MADE: 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2016**

***Agenda Item - 3***

**SUBJECT:**

Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment – Housing (Wales) Act 2014

**Cabinet Members Present  
County Borough Councillors:**

A.Morgan (Chairman), R.Bevan, A.Crimmings, G. Hopkins  
K. Montague, J. Rosser & M.Webber

**Apologies for Absence  
County Borough Councillors:**

M.Forey & E. Hanagan

**Other County Borough Councillor(s)  
in Attendance:-**

R Smith

**1. DECISION MADE:**

**Agreed –**

1. To note the methodology used to undertake the Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment (GTAA), as in accordance with Welsh Government Guidance.
2. To note and approve the findings of the GTAA as outlined in Appendix 1 of the Report and agree for it to be submitted to Welsh Ministers for their consideration.
3. To give authority for the Service Director, Public Health and Protection, and the Service Director, Planning to take appropriate steps to meet the housing need that has been identified in the Assessment as detailed in Section 6 of the report in order for the Council to discharge its statutory duty in this regard.

**2. REASON FOR THE DECISION BEING MADE:**

- In accordance with the statutory duties placed on the Authority under Part 3 of the Housing (Wales) Act 2014, the need to advise Cabinet Members of the findings of the GTAA.
- The need to make appropriate provision to meet the need identified following the undertaking of the GTAA by the Council.

**3. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO DECISION BEING MADE:**

- As outlined within section 5 of the report the assessment was undertaken in accordance with Welsh Government guidance which included establishment of
  - steering group and focus groups,
  - awareness raising of the opportunity for Gypsy and Travellers to take part in the assessment,
  - engagement with other local authorities,
  - survey undertaken with Gypsy and Travellers (these took place between July 2015 and December 2015).

**4. PERSONAL INTERESTS DECLARED:**

- None

**5. DISPENSATION TO SPEAK (AS GRANTED BY STANDARDS COMMITTEE):**

N/A

**6. (a) IS THE DECISION URGENT AND NOT TO BE THE SUBJECT OF ANY CALL-IN BY THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:**

YES      NO ✓

**Note:** This decision will not come into force and may not be implemented until the expiry of 5 clear working days after its publication i.e. **26<sup>th</sup> February 2016** to enable it to be the subject to the Call-In Procedure in Rule 17.1 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules.

**6. (b) IF YES, REASONS WHY IN THE OPINION OF THE DECISION-MAKER THE DECISION IS URGENT:**

N/A

**6. (c) SIGNATURE OF MAYOR OR DEPUTY MAYOR OR HEAD OF PAID SERVICE CONFIRMING AGREEMENT THAT THE PROPOSED DECISION IS REASONABLE IN ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES FOR IT BEING TREATED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULE 17.2:**

N/A

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(Mayor)

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(Dated)



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(Proper Officer)

**18.02.16**  
(Dated)