

**RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL
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**ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

7th OCTOBER 2013

**REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF
LEGAL & DEMOCRATIC SERVICES**

Agenda Item No. 7

EXECUTIVE RESPONSE

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1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to make Members aware of the response received from the Executive following a recommendation submitted from the Environmental Services Scrutiny Committee.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Committee are recommended to note the response.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 During the Environmental Services Scrutiny Committee on the 1st July, 2013 the Committee resolved for the following recommendation to be taken forward to the Executive for consideration:-
“That the Service Director, Planning recommends communal waste collection areas be provided within future developments of flats and communal housing.”
- 3.2 The response of the Executive to the Committees recommendation is attached at appendix 1.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

as amended by

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

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Item: Response of the Executive

Minute 7b Environmental Services Scrutiny Committee 1st July, 2013.

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To: The Chairman of Environmental Services Scrutiny

Re: - Executive Response to the Environment and Housing Scrutiny Working Group Recommendations

1. The Service Director, Planning recommends Communal waste collection areas be provided within future developments of flats and communal housing.

The Service Director, Planning has undertaken some research into recent planning applications for flats and it appears that some form of refuse storage has been incorporated at planning stage into the majority of the proposals. In addition, the Planning Service is currently in the process of preparing Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) for flats developments. It proposed to work closely with the Streetcare Service so that the guidance provides detailed advice to ensure that suitable refuse and recycling facilities are incorporated into flats developments at planning application stage.

In the meantime Planning Officers will continue to work with applicants to encourage the incorporation of refuse and recycling facilities in new flats developments.

Councillor Clayton Willis

Cabinet Member for Human Resources and Service Improvement

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