

**COFNOD O BENDERFYNIAD BRYG GAN O'R ARWEINYDD Y
CYNGOR, Y CYNGHORYDD A MORGAN**

**RECORD OF URGENT DECISION OF THE LEADER OF THE
COUNCIL, COUNCILLOR A MORGAN**

Yn unol ag Adran 3A Ran 3 (paragraff 3) o Gyfansoddiad y Cyngor.

In accordance with Section 3A of Part 3 (paragraph 3) of the Council's Constitution.

'Storm Bert' – Funding for Recovery and Financial Resilience Support for Businesses

PENDERFYNIAD | DECISION

The Major Incident Recovery Board (Cabinet Steering Group) was established to ensure an Authority wide approach in the delivery of services and the prioritisation of resources in relation to any major incident, causing detrimental effect to the communities of the County Borough.

Rhondda Cynon Taf CBC declared a major incident as a result of severe rain and flooding caused by 'Storm Bert', which impacted the County Borough during the 23rd and 24th November 2024.

The Recovery Board led business continuity planning in the immediate period following this weather event.

An immediate allocation of £0.500M was made from the Council's General Reserves to support the immediate recovery requirement arising from this exceptional event, including a Community Flood Recovery Grant (hardship payment) made available for Residents and Businesses who had been subject to internal flooding.

The costs of immediate recovery and repair continue to be quantified as the scale of this major incident continues to be assessed. Engagement continues with Welsh Government with regard to funding.

However, in the interim it is agreed that a further allocation of £0.500M is made from the Council's General Reserves in order to ensure sufficiency of immediately available funding for the continuation of our recovery actions and for initial targeted resilience across our businesses.

It is further agreed that an allocation of £0.250M (from the above) is set aside to support a Business Flood Resilience Grant Fund to support businesses (SME's) to implement anti-flood measures which would improve their resilience to deal with any potential future significant weather events. This might include :

- Doors (internal and floodgates to doorways)
- Water resistant floor coverings and skirting (for example tiling)
- Internal moisture resistant wall boarding or tiles

- Raising of power points

A grant value of up to £10,000 would be available per business (SME). The Director of Prosperity and Development will be responsible for putting in place the appropriate arrangements for the administration of the scheme, including the basis of eligibility and assessment.

The Deputy Chief Executive and Group Director for Finance, Digital and Frontline Services will continue to be responsible for the ongoing co-ordination and recording of all costs associated with the incident and ensuring the appropriate arrangements for their funding.

A. Morgan

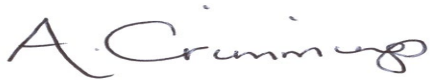
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Leader of the Council's Signature**

Councillor Andrew Morgan

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Councillor Ann Crimmings
Aelod o'r Cabinet ar faterion yr Amgylchedd a Hamdden
Cabinet Member for Environment & Leisure

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