## CYNGOR BWRDEISTREF SIROL RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

A meeting of the CABINET will be held at the County Borough Council Headquarters, The Pavilions, Clydach Vale (The Council Chamber)

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2015 at **10.30am** 

Contact: Mrs Emma Wilkins (Tel No. 01443 424062)

Councillors and members of the public wishing to request the facility to address the Cabinet on any of the business as listed below, must request to do so by 5 p.m. on the 11<sup>th</sup> December 2015. It must be noted that this facility is at the discretion of the Chair and each request will be considered based on the agenda items being considered, the public interest/interest of the member in each matter and the demands of the business on that day. To make such a request please contact the Cabinet Office on 01443-424062 or alternatively please email Cabinet@rctcbc.gov.uk.

## **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

#### 1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

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

#### Note:

- 1. Members are requested to identify the item number and subject matter 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 a prejudicial interest they <u>must</u> notify the Chairman when they leave.

## 2 BASELINE ECONOMIC ANALYSIS FOR SOUTH EAST WALES.

To receive the report from the Director, Regeneration & Planning informing Members of a Baseline Economic Analysis for the South East Wales region.

## 3 TALBOT GREEN – EXTRA CARE HOUSING SCHEME.

To receive the report of the Group Director, Community & Children's Services advising Cabinet of the work being undertaken to develop the new extra care housing scheme in Talbot Green and to obtain approval for the draft allocations policy and eligibility criteria for extra care.

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# 4 RE-COMMISSIONING OF DOMICILIARY HOME CARE CONTRACTS.

To receive the report of the Group Director Community & Children's Services seeking approval from cabinet to work collaboratively with Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council to re-commission domiciliary home care contracts.

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#### 5 HEALTH & WELLBEING – SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATIONS

To receive the report from the Secretary to the cabinet providing Members with the findings and recommendations of the 'Empty Properties Scrutiny Working Group'.

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#### 6 PORTH LIBRARY

To receive the report from the Group Director, Corporate & Frontline Services advising members of the proposal to relocate the services delivered in Porth Library to Porth Plaza, where it is intended to create a sustainable community hub, delivering a range of complementary services.

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## 7 RCT TOGETHER – EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST / COMMUNITY ENABLING FUND APPLICATIONS.

To receive the Joint report from the Group Director, Corporate & Frontline Services and Secretary to the Cabinet providing Members with the recommendations of the Voluntary Sector Liaison Steering Group in respect of progressing the identified Expressions of Interest and the Community Enabling Fund applications.

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## 8 RCT TOGETHER - COMMUNITY ACTION FUND.

To receive the report from the Group Director, Corporate & Frontline Services advising Members of the potential for the introduction of a small grant scheme for volunteers and community members to be hosted by the County Voluntary Council, Interlink RCT.

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#### 9 COUNCIL TAX BASE FOR 2016/17.

To receive the report from the Group Director, Corporate & frontline Services formally setting the Council Tax Base for the financial year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2017 for tax setting purposes and to set the level of discount applicable to properties considered as second homes, long term unoccupied and unfurnished properties.

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#### 10 CORONER SERVICE

To receive the report from the Director, Legal & Democratic Services seeking Members' response to the Ministry of Justices invitation to respond to its current consultation on the proposed merger of the coroner areas.

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## 11 UPDATE ON CHILDCARE MARKET IN RESPONSE TO CHANGES TO NURSERY EDUCATION FUNDING.

To receive the report from the Director, Education & Lifelong Learning providing Members with an update on the Childcare market in Rhondda Cynon Taf in response to the changes to nursery education funding; and to provide an update on the Childcare Sufficiency Assessment Action Plan 2015-16.

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#### **12 URGENT BUSINESS**

To consider any urgent business as the Chairman feels appropriate.

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Service Director and Secretary to the Cabinet