



RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE

DECISION MADE BY: Cabinet DATE DECISION MADE: 25th January 2018

Agenda Item: 8

SUBJECT:

OPERATIONAL CHANGES TO THE COMMUNITY MEALS SERVICE AND PROPOSAL TO CLOSE ST GEORGE'S DAY CENTRE AND TRANSFER THE OPEN ACCESS DAY CENTRE PROVISION TO GILFACH GOCH DAY CENTRE

**Cabinet Members Present
County Borough Councillors:**

A.Morgan (Chairman), M. Webber, R.Bevan, A.Crimmings,
G.Hopkins, M.Norris, J Rosser, R.Lewis & C.Leyshon.

Other County Borough Councillors

In Attendance:

S Bradwick

1. DECISION MADE:

Agreed –

1. To maintain the existing levels of service provided by the Community Meals Service;
2. To change the method of preserving weekend meals from a “blast chilled” method to a “frozen” method;
3. To reduce the number of Community Meals production kitchens from three to one (retaining the Ynyshir kitchen), and to reconfigure the staffing and delivery rounds, saving £258,000 per annum, for a one-off capital cost of £180,000, the capital funding for which will be secured from existing resources;
4. That the Council undertakes an eight week public consultation in respect of the proposal to close St George’s Day Centre, Tonyrefail, and transfer the open access day service to Gilfach Goch Day Centre; and
5. To receive a further report summarising the results and feedback from the consultation process prior to any decision being made in relation to the proposal to close St George’s Day Centre.

2. REASON FOR THE DECISION BEING MADE:

The need to continue to offer a community based service that is efficient and effective and represents good value for money.

The need to initiate a consultation to close St. George’s Day Centre, Tonyrefail and transfer open access day services to Gilfach Goch Day Centre

3. LINKS TO CORPORATE PRIORITIES / FUTURE GENERATIONS – SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT.

The decision focuses on the delivery of the Community Plan, and in particular the objective of “promoting independence and positive lives for everyone”.

4. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO DECISION BEING MADE:

As outlined in section 7 of the report, changes to the Community Meals Service is not subject to a public consultation as this is deemed as an operational change which would maintain existing service levels. Appropriate consultation

would however be undertaken with all staff (and their trade union representatives) potentially impacted by the proposal in accordance with the Council's Managing Change Policy should Cabinet agree the proposals.

The closure of St George's Day Centre and the transfer of open access day centre provision to Gilfach Goch Day Centre will be subject to an eight week consultation with the local community and other relevant stakeholders.

5. PREVIOUS CONSIDERATION BY A COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL
None

6. PERSONAL INTERESTS DECLARED:
None

7. DISPENSATION TO SPEAK (AS GRANTED BY STANDARDS COMMITTEE):
N/A

8. (a) IS THE DECISION SUBJECT TO 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. **2nd February, 2018** to enable it to be the subject to the Call-In Procedure in Rule 17.1 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules.

8. (b) IF NO, REASONS WHY IN THE OPINION OF THE DECISION-MAKER THE DECISION IS DEEMED EXEMPT OR NON APPLICABLE:

I. COUNCIL FUNCTION (CALL IN IS THEREFORE NON APPLICABLE):-
Reason:.....**N/A**.....

II. URGENT DECISION:-
Reason:.....**N/A**.....

8. (c) IF DEEMED URGENT - 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)

25th January, 2018
(Dated)