

**RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL
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A Meeting of the **Corporate Parenting Board** will be held at the County Borough Council Headquarters, The Pavilions, Clydach Vale (Council Chamber) on

MONDAY, 8th FEBRUARY 2016 at 10 a.m.

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

1. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

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

- Note:**
1. Members are requested to identify the item number and subject 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 must notify the Chairman when they leave.

2. MINUTES

To approve as an accurate record the minutes of the meeting of the Corporate Parenting Board held on the 7TH December, 2015.

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3. DEVELOPMENT OF LAC WEBSITE – YOUNG PEOPLE’S CONTRIBUTION

To receive comments and feedback from some of the young people who assisted in the development of the Council’s Looked after Children Website.

4. ELECTED MEMBERS’ VISITS TO FRONTLINE TEAMS IN CHILDREN’S SERVICES 2015-16.

To consider the report of the Group Director, Community & Children’s Services outlining the visits taken to date to frontline teams by members of the Corporate Parenting Board.

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5. SOCIAL SERVICES QUARTERLY COMPLIMENTS AND COMPLAINTS REPORT.

To consider the report of the Group Director, Community & Children's Services providing Members with an overview of the operation and effectiveness of the statutory social services complaints procedure between 1st July and 30th September, 2015.

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6. RESPONSE FROM CABINET TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TWO SCRUTINY WORKING GROUPS IN RELATION TO LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN.

To consider the joint scrutiny report of the Group Director, Community & Children's Services and Temporary Director, Education & Lifelong Learning advising of the Action Plan created following the scrutiny working group recommendations to Cabinet.

(**N.B** the Looked After Children Scrutiny Working Group reports can be accessed through the following link (agenda Item 5):-

<http://www.rctcbc.gov.uk/EN/Council/CouncillorsCommitteesandMeetings/Meetings/Cabinet/2015/11/24/Cabinet24Nov2015.aspx>)

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7. CHILDREN SERVICES PERFORMANCE INDICATORS.

To receive the report of the Group Director, Community & Children's Services providing members with information on using non social work qualified staff and its effect in relation to the Welsh Government Performance Indicators.

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8. TO CONSIDER PASSING THE UNDER-MENTIONED RESOLUTION:

"That the press and public be excluded from the meeting under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972 (as amended) for the next item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 13 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Act."

9. REGULATION 32 REPORTS – RESIDENTIAL CHILDREN'S HOMES AND RESPITE SERVICE

To consider the report of the Group Director, Community & Children's Services, containing exempt information.

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10. TREHERBERT REGULATION 32 REPORT

To consider the report of the Group Director, Community & Children's Services, containing exempt information

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11 URGENT BUSINESS

To consider any items which the Chairman by reason of special circumstances is of the opinion should be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency.

Circulation:

County Borough Councillors:

G.E.Hopkins (Chair), (Mrs.)E.Hanagan (Vice-Chair), (Mrs.) M.E.Davies, (Mrs.)C.Leyshon, M.A.Norris, L.G.Walker and M.Weaver.

Officers:

Mr.C Bradshaw – Chief Executive

Mr.G.Isingrini – Group Director, Community & Children's Services

Mr.P.J.Lucas – Director, Legal & Democratic Services

Ms A Batley – Service Director, Children Services

Mrs.G.Davies – Acting Service Director, Access, Engagement & Inclusion (Ty Trevithick)

Ms.H.Bevan – Education Co-ordinator for Looked After Children (LAC) YMBAREL (Ty Trevithick)

Ms.J.Thomas, Complaints & QA Manager, Social Services (Ty Elai)

