RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

COUNCIL SUMMONS

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YOU ARE SUMMONED to a meeting of RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL to be held at the County Borough Council Offices, The Pavilions, Cambrian Park, Clydach Vale on Wednesday, 24th June, 2015 at 5.00 p.m.

AGENDA

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DECLARATION OF INTEREST

- 1 To receive disclosures of personal interests from Members in accordance with the Code of Conduct
 - 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 prejudicial interest they **must** notify the Chairman when they leave.

2 ANNOUNCEMENTS

3 MINUTES

To approve as an accurate record, the minutes of the meetings of the Council held on:

22nd April, 2015
 Annual meeting of the Council – 20th May, 2015
 1 – 12
 13 - 26

4 OPEN GOVERNMENT:

5 **STATEMENTS** in accordance with Procedure Rule 2

To receive any statements from the Leader of the Council and/or statements from Cabinet Portfolio Holders

OFFICERS REPORTS

The Council's Draft Corporate Performance Report for 2015/16

To consider the report of the Chief Executive

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7 NOTICE OF MOTION

To consider the under-mentioned Notice of Motion standing in the names of County Borough Councillors R.Lewis, S.Pickering, L.M.Adams, (Mrs.)T.Bates, D.R.Bevan, H.Boggis, J.Bonetto. S.Bradwick. (Mrs.)J.Bunnage, A.Calvert, P.Cannon, S.Carter, J.Cass, A.Crimmings, A.Davies, MBE, (Mrs.)A.Davies, W.J.David. (Mrs.)M.Davies, (Mrs.)L.De Vet, J.Elliott, S.Evans, M.Forey, A.Fox, M.Griffiths, P.Griffiths, (Mrs.)E.Hanagan, G.Holmes, G.Hopkins, (Mrs.)S.Jones, L.Langford, (Mrs.)C.Leyshon, S.Lloyd, C.Middle, K.Montague, A.Morgan, B.Morgan, M.Norris, S.Powderhill, S.Rees, (Mrs.)A.Roberts, J.Rosser, G.Smith, R.Smith, G.Stacey, B.Stephens, (Mrs.)M.Tegg, G.Thomas, R.K.Turner, (Mrs.)J.Ward, M.J.Watts, D.Weeks, M.Webber, C.J.Williams, D.H.Williams, T.Williams, C.J.Willis and R.Yeo

"This Council welcomes the proposal of the Cabinet to ban the use of sky lanterns on local authority land and banning the sale of sky lanterns on premises and property controlled by the Council.

RSPCA Cymru has long highlighted the dangers associated with the use of sky lanterns, and continues to call on the Welsh Government to implement an outright ban on their use across Wales.

In 2013 the Welsh Government wrote to local authorities encouraging them to introduce a voluntary ban, and so far five out of the 22 have done so. Once the proposal of the Cabinet is implemented Rhondda Cynon Taf will become a further addition to this list.

Sky lanterns (also known as Chinese lanterns) can harm wildlife, livestock and other animals by causing injuries that lead to suffering and a slow painful death. RSPCA Cymru strongly advises against their use and recommends that harmless alternatives are sought to prevent injury, suffering and fatality of animals.

This Council supports the RSPCA objective and already

refuses permission for sky lanterns to be used on council land, however going further to deliver an outright ban of Sky Lanterns across RCT is welcomed".

8 To consider any items which the Mayor, by reason of special circumstances, is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency.

Director, Legal and Democratic Services

To: All Members of the Council

17th June, 2015

