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**RHONDDA CYNON TAF**  
**COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**COMMITTEE SUMMONS**

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**YOU ARE SUMMONED** to a virtual meeting of **RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL** to be held on **WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER, 2020** at **5.00 PM.**

**AGENDA**

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**11.1. AMENDED NOTICE OF MOTION**

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**Service Director of Democratic Services & Communication**

**To: All Members of the Council**

## COUNCIL MEETING 25<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2020

### AMENDMENT TO NOTION OF MOTION AS SET OUT AT ITEM 11.A OF THE COUNCIL AGENDA

In accordance with Procedural Rule 10.4.4 of Part 4 of the Council Constitution the following amendment was received in the names of County Borough Councillors L. M. Adams, D. R. Bevan, H Boggis, J. Bonetto, S. Bradwick, J Brencher, A Calvert, G. Caple, A. Crimmings, A. Davies-Jones, L De- Vet, J. Edwards, J Elliott, S. Evans, M Fidler Jones, M. Forey, A. Fox, E. George, M. Griffiths, J. Harries G. Holmes, G. Hopkins, G. Hughes, G. Jones, R. Lewis, W Lewis, C. Leyshon, A. Morgan, S. Morgans, M. A. Norris, D. Owen-Jones, S Pickering, S. Powell, S. Powderhill, S. Rees, A. Roberts, J. Rosser, G Stacey, M Tegg, G Thomas, W Treeby, R K Turner, M. Webber, D. Williams, T. Williams, C. J. Willis and R. Yeo.

Unprecedented. Devastating. Traumatizing. Those are the three most often used words in relation to the floods that hit so many communities across RCT this year. And we weren't the only communities affected, with similar scenes being seen across Wales.

Council notes the significant costs related with the recovery, and that is has been estimated that at least £500m more is needed in the next decade if Wales is to avoid significant flooding. Council further notes that as a result of climate change, flooding is far more likely to occur in the future.

~~(Delete – Council acknowledges that many questions our residents have relating to the floods remain unanswered nine months on)~~ ,INSERT - Council acknowledges that residents have many questions and want assurances on the pace of progress of works, with some suffering further floods as recently as August. Every time there is now heavy rainfall, people are naturally anxious.

~~{Delete: Council believes that though a number of reports have either been published or are pending, it is clear that they are limited in scope and are conducted by the organisations themselves rather than by external, independent agencies. Neither do they address the impact on the mental and physical health of residents, nor the lasting economic and social impact.}~~

Council ~~{replace 'supports' with 'notes'}~~ the thousands of residents that signed a recent Senedd petition ~~{Delete that there must now be}~~ Insert 'for' an independent inquiry into the floods to bring together all the reports, scrutinise them and bring together the evidence and experiences of residents and businesses. ~~{Delete It is the only way that we can secure the answers and justice for the residents and businesses affected.}~~

Council therefore requests that the Leader of the Council writes to the First Minister of Wales to ~~{Delete –call for an independent inquiry}~~ Insert – outline the progress made by the Council in evaluating the response by the local authority and partners (such as Natural Resources Wales) to these unprecedented weather events. It will

also consider what can be done differently to further improve the partnerships, planning and the future response of all public agencies in Wales, stating that the Council will Insert 'Continue to' participate openly and transparently in such a process, so that lessons can be learnt for the future and investment secured for flood prevention measures.

Insert {Council notes that the Cabinet and Senior Officers are planning to bring forward a further report in December with further recommendations}

**The motion amended will read:**

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