



RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE

DECISION MADE BY: Cabinet DATE DECISION MADE: 21 September, 2021

Cabinet Members Present:

Councillor A Morgan (Chair), Councillor M Webber (Deputy Chair),
Councillor R Bevan, Councillor A Crimmings, Councillor M Norris,
Councillor J Rosser, Councillor R Lewis, Councillor C Leyshon and
Councillor G Hopkins

Other Councillor(s) in Attendance:-

Councillor P Jarman
Councillor L Jones

Agenda Item : 8

**SUBJECT: Designation as a Country Park Of Land at Clydach Vale, Tonypandy
Currently Known as Cwm Clydach Countryside Park**

1. DECISION MADE:

Agreed –

1. To approve the designation of an area of land currently known as Cwm Clydach Countryside Park, measuring approximately 67.2 ha / 166 acres at Clydach Vale, Tonypany as 'Cwm Clydach Country Park' in accordance with the provisions of the Countryside Act 1968.

2. REASON FOR THE DECISION BEING MADE:

The need to seek authority to designate land currently known as Cwm Clydach Countryside Park at Clydach Vale, Tonypany (within the Rhondda Fawr Valley) as a Country Park in accordance with the provisions of the Countryside Act 1968.

The designation of the land as a Country Park will allow the Council and partners to apply for external grant funding to enhance opportunities for residents and visitors and which will have a direct improvement on health and wellbeing of people using the Country Park.

3. LINKS TO CORPORATE PRIORITIES/FUTURE GENERATIONS - SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT:

This proposal directly supports the Council's 2020-2024 Corporate Plan – 'Making a Difference' where there is a commitment to Investing in our town centres, bringing jobs and homes into our town centres to create vibrant, thriving places people wish to live, work and socialise.

Future works, led by Cambrian Village Trust, in partnership with the Council and Friends of Cwm Clydach Country Park, will help develop a vision document and future plan for the park, linked in with corporate and national priorities

4. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO DECISION BEING MADE:

There was no legal requirement set out in the Countryside Act 1968 to undertake a public consultation as part of the process to designate an area as a Country Park.

Initial consultation was carried out with the local Councillor and local community interest groups, notably Cambrian Village Trust and Friends of Cwm Clydach Country Park regarding the proposed designation. All stakeholders were in support of the proposal outlined in this report.

5. PREVIOUS CONSIDERATION BY A COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL:

None

6. PERSONAL INTERESTS DECLARED:

County Borough Councillor M Norris made the following personal and non prejudicial

declaration of interest in respect of this item: "I am a voluntary Board Member of the Cambrian Village Trust mentioned in the report."

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

Note: This decision will not come into force and may not be implemented until the expiry of 3 clear working days after its publication to enable it to be the subject to the Call-In Procedure in Rule 17.1 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules.

The closing date for Call-In is 5pm on the 24 September 2021

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

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

- II. URGENT DECISION:-
Reason N/A

8.(c) IF DEEMED URGENT - SIGNATURE OF PRESIDING OFFICER OR DEPUTY PRESIDING OFFICER 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:

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(PRESIDING OFFICER)

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(Dated)

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APPROVED FOR PUBLICATION: ✓