

RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNCIL YNYSANGHARAD WAR MEMORIAL PARK CABINET COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the Ynysangharad War Memorial Park Cabinet Committee meeting held on Thursday, 8 March 2018 at 10.30 am at the Council Chamber, The Pavilions, Cambrian Park. Clydach Vale, Tonypany, CF40 2XX.

County Borough Councillors - Ynysangharad War Memorial Park Cabinet Committee Members in attendance:-

Councillor R Bevan (Chair)

Councillor G Hopkins

Councillor M Norris

Officers in attendance

Mr C Hanagan, Service Director of Cabinet & Public Relations

Mr A Wilkins, Head of Legal - Corporate & Democratic Services

Ms L Davies, Head Of Environmental Health, Trading Standards & Community Safety

8 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from County Borough Councillors M Webber and A Crimmings.

9 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

In accordance with the Code of Conduct there were no Declarations of Interest made pertaining to the agenda.

10 MINUTES

Members **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the 21st November, 2017 as an accurate reflection of the meeting Ynysangharad War Memorial Park Cabinet Committee

11 PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDER (INTOXICATING SUBSTANCES INCLUDING ALCOHOL)

The Head of Environmental Health, Trading Standards and Community Safety presented her report to Members which sought to obtain Members views about a proposed Public Space Protection Order (PSPO). The Officer advised that the proposal was to continue the current PSPO to designate the whole County Borough as a Controlled Drinking Zone and extend the PSPO to designate Aberdare Town Centre and Pontypridd Town Centre (including Ynysangharad War Memorial Park) as Exclusion Zones, prohibiting the ingestion of intoxicating substances in public places.

Members were advised that the public consultation on the proposal commenced on the 15th January and would conclude on the 12th March and the officer spoke of the wide ranging engagement that had been undertaken to seek the public's view on the proposal.

The Chair thanked the Head of Environmental Health, Trading Standards and Community Safety for the report and opened up the item for Members questions.

Members queried the alcohol licensing for the 'Lido Ponty' and how the proposal would have an effect on any future events held within the park or the Lido. The officer advised that the Lido did not have a licence but could be granted a licence under a Temporary Events Notice if required for a future event.

Members discussed the sanction of the Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN) and it was queried whether the 'Positive condition' sanctions could be issued as an alternative to the FPN. The Head of Environmental Health, Trading Standards and Community Safety explained that the positive sanctions would be issued for repeat or persistent unacceptable behaviour and would not be used in the first instance. The officer added that a proportionate enforcement policy could be looked into as part of the proposal. A further query was raised in respect of the sanctions for youth offenders and the officer added that primarily the police should be confiscating any alcohol from a person underage, the potential of engaging with parents through the Anti Social Behaviour route and one Member suggested re-ability courses as a positive measure. The Head of Environmental Health, Trading Standards and Community Safety spoke of the current work being taken forward with the Community Alcohol Partnership, redirecting young people off the streets and into activities.

The Chair commented on the role of the MASH in respect of youth offenders and the possibility of interventions available. He also questioned the officer in respect of the role of licensed premises within Town Centres with respect to the proposal and the partnership working with youth engagement, community safety and the police. Working with both cultural and leisure services was also referenced by the Chair to supplement the work already being undertaken in this area. He also suggested utilising empty properties for pop up services, as an alternative for young people.

The officer confirmed that the authority's enforcement officers could also issue fines and that the onus was not entirely on the police. She continued by also advising of the future monitoring of the scheme through robust data collection by the police going forward.

Members talked of the role of the Public Services Board and engagement with all of its Members referencing the Cwm Taf University Health Board and the Police to assist with the positive outcomes if the proposal was to be taken forward.

Before concluding the meeting the Chair highlighted that following close of the consultation a report would be presented to Cabinet in respect of the decision to be taken forward.

Members **RESOLVED**:

1. That the views and comments of the trustees be taken forward as part of the public consultation in respect of the proposal to continue the current PSPO to designate the whole County Borough as a Controlled Drinking Zone and extend the PSPO to designate Aberdare Town Centre and Pontypridd Town Centre (including Ynysangharad War Memorial Park) as Exclusion Zones, prohibiting

the ingestion of intoxicating substances in public places.

This meeting closed at 11.05 am

**Cllr R Bevan
Chairman.**