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RHONDDA CYNON TAF
COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

COMMITTEE SUMMONS

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Service Director of Democratic Services & Communication
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The Pavilions
Cambrian Park
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Meeting Contact: Julia Nicholls - Democratic Services

YOU ARE SUMMONED to a virtual meeting of **RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL** to be held on **WEDNESDAY, 10TH MARCH, 2021** at **4.00 PM.**

AGENDA

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1. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

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. CARDIFF CAPITAL REGION CITY DEAL

To receive a PowerPoint presentation from the Director of the Cardiff Capital Region City Deal and the Chair of the Regional Economic Growth Partnership (REGP) providing Members with details of the CCRCD Programme and the work completed to date.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. MINUTES

To approve as accurate records, the minutes of the Council Meeting held on:

- 20th January, 2021
- 10th February 2021

**5. AUDIT WALES - RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH
COUNCIL: ANNUAL AUDIT SUMMARY 2020**

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OPEN GOVERNMENT:

6. STATEMENTS

In accordance with Open Government Council Meeting Procedure Rule 2, to receive any statements from the Leader of the Council and/or statements from Cabinet Portfolio Holders:

7. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

To receive Members questions in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 9.2.

(**N.B** a maximum of 20 minutes shall be allowed for questions on notice.)

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COUNCIL WORK PROGRAMME - FOR MEMBERS INFORMATION

OFFICERS' REPORTS

8. NON ATTENDANCE BY COUNCILLOR FOR SIX MONTHS

To receive the report of the Service Director, Democratic Services & Communication.

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9. REVENUE BUDGET STRATEGY 2021/22

To receive the report of the Director of Finance & Digital Services.

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10. COUNCIL TAX RESOLUTION 2021/22

To receive the report of the Director of Finance & Digital Services.

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11. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2021/22 – 2023/24

To receive the report of the Director of Finance & Digital Services.

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12. TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

To receive the report of the Director of Finance & Digital Services.

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13. CAPITAL STRATEGY REPORT 2021/22

To receive the report of the Director of Finance & Digital Services.

14. THE COUNCIL'S PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2021/22

To receive the Joint Report of the Director of Human Resources and Director of Legal Services.

15. NOTICES OF MOTION

To consider the under-mentioned Notice of Motion standing in the names of County Borough Councillors L. M. Adams, S. Bradwick, D. R. Bevan, H Boggis, J. Bonetto, 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. Jones, R. Lewis, W Lewis, C. Leyshon, A. Morgan, S. Morgans, M. A. Norris, D. Owen Jones, S Pickering, S. Powell, 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.

“The COVID-19 global pandemic has been exceptionally difficult for businesses, with many across our nation, the U.K. and beyond having to close as the world looks to control the spread of the virus and keep people safe. This has naturally had a detrimental impact on those who work in the affected sectors, with millions across the U.K. placed on furlough and many others sadly losing their jobs. In light of this unprecedented situation, now is not the time for disputes over pay and conditions.

This Council notes the on-going dispute between British Gas (and their parent company Centrica) and their hardworking employees – who have been threatened with job losses if they do not accept worse pay and conditions.

Due to the strike action supported by the overwhelming majority of staff and engineers, over 100,000 customers have been left waiting for service, and this number is set to grow over the coming weeks throughout the winter.

This dispute is an unnecessary disruption, with Centrica posting a considerable profit of £901m in 2019 (before exceptional items and tax), whilst the profitability of the home heating business in the UK rose by 27% in the first 6 months of 2020 with a considerable proportion working from home due to the pandemic.

This Council **notes**:

- The valuable work undertaken by staff and engineers to keep British homes warm – with workers often having to go to people’s homes during the pandemic to ensure that they have access to warmth and comfortable living.
- The unjustified actions and threats made by Centrica to British Gas employees – particularly given the recent financial position of the company.

This Council therefore **resolves** to:

- Request that the Council Leader writes to Centrica to outline this Council's support for local British Gas workers.

16. URGENT BUSINESS

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

Service Director of Democratic Services & Communication

To: All Members of the Council