



CYNGOR BWRDEISTREF SIROL
RHONDDA CYNON TAF
COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

**A virtual meeting of the CABINET will be held on
Monday, 18th December, 2023 at 10.30 am**

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Councillors and members of the public wishing to request the facility to address the Cabinet on any of the business as listed below, must request to do so by 5pm on the Thursday, 14 December 2023 Councillors and Members of the public should stipulate if this address will be in the medium of English or Welsh.

It must be noted that the facility to address the Cabinet is at the discretion of the Chair and each request will be considered based on the agenda items being considered, the public interest/interest of the member in each matter and the demands of the business on that day. To make such a request please email:- ExecutiveandRegulatoryBusinessUnit@rctcbc.gov.uk

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

1. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

To receive disclosures of personal interest from Members in accordance with the Code of Conduct

Note:

1. Members are requested to identify the item number and subject matter 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 a prejudicial interest they must notify the Chairman when they leave.

2. MINUTES

To receive the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 20th November 2023 as an accurate record.

(Pages 5 - 14)

3. PROPOSAL TO CLOSE RHIGOS PRIMARY SCHOOL WITH PUPILS TRANSFERRING TO HIRWAUN PRIMARY SCHOOL

To receive the report of the Director of Education and Inclusion Services, which seeks to advise Members of the outcome of the recent consultation in respect of the proposal to close Rhigos Primary School with pupils transferring to Hirwaun Primary School by no later than September 2024.

(Pages 15 - 76)

4. CONSULTATION ON THE PROPOSALS TO REALIGN ADDITIONAL LEARNING NEEDS MAINSTREAM LEARNING SUPPORT CLASS PROVISION WITHIN RHONDDA CYNON TAF

To receive the report of the Director of Education and Inclusion Services, which seeks to advise Members of the outcome of the publication of the Statutory Notices in respect of the proposal to realign Learning Support Class (LSC) provision within Rhondda Cynon Taf (RCT).

(Pages 77 - 168)

5. CABINET WORK PROGRAMME

To receive the report of the Service Director of Democratic Services and Communication, which provides the Cabinet with the proposed list of matters for consideration for the 2023-2024 Municipal Year.

(Pages 169 - 194)

6. ABERDARE TOWN CENTRE STRATEGY

To receive the report of the Director of Prosperity and Development, which provides Cabinet with an update on the response to the formal consultation exercise undertaken on the draft Aberdare Town Centre Strategy as agreed by Cabinet on 28th June 2023 and to highlight the changes made to the document in light of the responses received. The report also seeks approval from Cabinet to formally adopt the Strategy.

(Pages 195 - 420)

7. RISK MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

To receive the report of the Deputy Chief Executive and Group Director of Finance, Digital and Frontline Services, which sets out the Council's updated Risk Management Strategy.

(Pages 421 - 438)

8. PRE-SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FEEDBACK

To receive the report of the Service Director, Democratic Services and Communication providing the feedback and comments of the items that were pre-scrutinised by the Council's thematic Scrutiny Committee's following its last Committee cycle.

(Pages 439 - 444)

9. DAY SERVICES FOR OLDER PEOPLE

To receive the report of the Director of Social Services, which makes recommendations with regards to the future delivery of the Council's Day Services for older people.

(Pages 445 - 490)

10. PROPOSAL TO DECLARE A NEW ADDITIONAL LICENSING SCHEME FOR HOUSES IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION IN 2024

To receive the report of the Director of Public Health, Protection and Community Services advising Cabinet of the effectiveness of the 2019 Additional Licensing Scheme for Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMOs) and propose the Council declare a New Additional Licensing Scheme for HMOs from April 2024, in accordance with the provisions of the Housing Act 2004.

(Pages 491 - 658)

11. TO CONSIDER PASSING THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

"That the press and public be excluded from the meeting under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act (as amended) for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of the exempt information as defined in paragraph 14 of Part 4 of the Schedule 12A of the Act".

12. INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICE

To receive the report of the Deputy Chief Executive & Group Director of Finance, Digital and frontline services, which sets out the options for Cabinet to consider in terms of ongoing service delivery arrangements with the Internal Audit Service.

(Pages 659 - 666)

13. URGENT ITEMS

To consider any urgent business as the Chairman feels appropriate.



Service Director of Democratic Services & Communication

Circulation:-

Councillors: Councillor A Morgan (Chair)
Councillor M Webber (Deputy Chair)
Councillor G Caple
Councillor A Crimmings
Councillor R Lewis
Councillor C Leyshon
Councillor M Norris
Councillor B Harris

Officers: Paul Mee, Chief Executive
Barrie Davies, Deputy Chief Executive and Group Director of Finance, Digital and Frontline Services
Andy Wilkins, Director of Legal Services and Democratic Services
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Louise Davies, Director of Public Health, Protection and Community Services
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