



RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNCIL CLIMATE CHANGE, FRONTLINE SERVICES & PROSPERITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the virtual meeting of the Climate Change, Frontline Services & Prosperity Scrutiny Committee held on Tuesday, 27 June 2023 at 5.00 pm.

County Borough Councillors – The following Climate Change, Frontline Services & Prosperity Scrutiny Committee Councillors were present online

Councillor C Middle (Chair)

Councillor G L Warren	Councillor P Binning
Councillor V Dunn	Councillor E L Dunning
Councillor G Holmes	Councillor W Hughes
Councillor G Jones	Councillor A O Rogers
Councillor W Treeby	Councillor P Evans
Councillor G O Jones	

Officers in attendance:-

Mrs S Handy – Members' Researcher & Scrutiny Officer
Ms J Nicholls – Principal Scrutiny Officer

County Borough Councillors in attendance:-

Councillor Crimmings, Cabinet Member for Environment and Leisure
Councillor Leyshon, Cabinet Member for Climate Change and Corporate Services
Councillor Norris, Cabinet Member For Prosperity and Development

Apologies for absence

Councillor J Barton Councillor R Yeo

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed Members to the first meeting of the Climate Change, Frontline Services & Prosperity Scrutiny Committee for the 2023-24 Municipal Year.

2 Apologies

Apologies of absence were received from County Borough Councillors J. Barton

and R. Yeo.

3 Declarations of Interest

In accordance with the code of conduct, there were no declaration of interest pertaining to the agenda.

4 Minutes

The minutes of the 22nd March 2023 were approved as an accurate record.

5 Scrutiny Research

The Members' Researcher and Scrutiny Officer referenced the research facilities that were available to Members within the Council Business Unit. Members were advised that if they have any specific queries to email them to Scrutiny@rctcbc.gov.uk.

6 Consultations

The Members' Researcher & Scrutiny Officer referenced the consultation links, which were available through the 'RCT Scrutiny' website. Members were reminded that information is provided in respect of relevant consultations for consideration by the Committee, which are circulated on a monthly basis and updated on a fortnightly basis.

7 Climate Change, Frontline Services & Prosperity Scrutiny Committee - Forward Work Programme 2023-24

The Members' Researcher and Scrutiny Officer presented the Forward Work Programme 2023-24 to Members and sought Members approval of the work programme and invited any suggestions from Members.

Following this, discussions ensued.

A Member queried whether grass cutting could be referenced in the Tree and Hedgerow item and another Member questioned if the Public Rights of Way report could reference barbed wire and the relevant legislation surrounding it. The Members' Researcher and Scrutiny Officer confirmed that these items would be passed on to the relevant Officers.

Following discussion, Members **RESOLVED** to approve the Forward Work Programme 2023-24.

8 Urgent Business

There was no urgent business to report.

9 Chairs Review and Close

The Chair thanked Members for attending and emphasised that the next meeting will be in October, where the Committee can start to utilise the Forward Work Programme.

This meeting closed at 5.08 pm

**Councillor C Middle
Chair.**