# Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Pen-y-bont ar Ogwr **Bridgend County Borough Council**



Swyddfeydd Dinesig, Stryd yr Angel, Pen-y-bont, CF31 4WB / Civic Offices, Angel Street, Bridgend, CF31 4WB

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Dyddiad/Date: Thursday, 18 October 2018

Dear Councillor.

### COUNCIL

A meeting of the Council will be held in the Council Chamber - Civic Offices Angel Street Bridgend CF31 4WB on Wednesday, 24 October 2018 at 15:00.

## AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for absence To receive apologies for absence from Members.
- 2. **Declarations of Interest** To receive declarations of personal and prejudicial interest from Members/Officers in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct adopted by Council from 1 September 2008.
- 3. Approval of Minutes To receive for approval the minutes of 19/09/18 4. To receive announcements from: (i) Mayor (or person presiding) (ii) Members of the Cabinet (iii) Chief Executive (iv) Monitoring Officer 5. To receive the report of the Leader 6. Annual Report 2017-18 23 - 72 7. Treasury Management - Half Year Report 2018-19 73 - 92 8. Information Report for Noting 93 - 116 9. To receive the following Questions to the Executive from: Question to the Cabinet Member Education and Regeneration from Councillor T
  - Thomas



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Will the Cabinet Member make a statement on the take up of Welsh A Levels across schools in the County Borough.

# Question to the Cabinet Member Social Services and Early Help from Councillor A Hussain

The number of people living with hearing loss in Wales is 575,500 and this number is rising as the population ages and we live longer. I don't have the number of people we have with hearing loss here in Bridgend County.

Action on Hearing Loss Cymru in their recent report have recommended that, I quote "Local Authorities should review their provision and access arrangements for people who are deaf or have hearing loss, ensuring they are meeting their duties under the Social Services and Wellbeing Act. Particular attention should be given to:

- the first point of contact/access,
- the assessment process,
- the system for issuing assistive equipment and
- the provision of information/advice/guidance throughout."

Keeping in mind the above recommendation suggested by Action on Hearing Loss Cymru, Could the Cabinet Member let the Council know how we are supporting people with hearing loss here in our County?

10. <u>Notice of Motion Proposed by Councillor Tim Thomas</u> Council acknowledges:

> The damaging impact that increased levels of gasses within the atmosphere is having on the environment and the part it is playing in adverse climate change. Council further acknowledges that international cooperation is required to hold the immediate impact on our climate.

Council welcomes:

The UK and Welsh government's commitment to tackling climate change with initiatives to limit global warming, and its acceptance that the use of fossil fuels is a major contributory factor in rising world temperatures and carbon dioxide emissions.

Council notes that during the financial year 2016/17, the Rhondda Cynon Taff Pension Fund, which administers pension arrangements on behalf of Bridgend County Borough Council, invested a percentage of indirect pooled funds in fossil fuels.

This council calls on the Rhondda Cynon Taff Pension Fund to start making an ordered withdrawal of such investments at the earliest opportunity.

### 11. Urgent Items

To consider any item(s) of business in respect of which notice has been given in accordance with Part 4 (paragraph 4) of the Council Procedure Rules and which the person presiding at the meeting is of the opinion should by reason of special circumstances be transacted at the meeting as a matter of urgency.

### 12. Exclusion of the Public

The Report relating to the following item is not for publication as it contains exempt information as defined in Paragraph 12 of Part 4, and Paragraph 21 of Part 5 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to

Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007.

If following the application of the public interest test the Committee resolves pursuant to the Act to consider this item in private, the public will be excluded from the meeting during such consideration.

### 13. VER and Redundancy Package

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Yours faithfully **K Watson** Head of Legal and Regulatory Services

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