# 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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Dear Councillor,

# Cyfarwyddiaeth y Prif Weithredwr / Chief Executive's Directorate

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Dyddiad/Date: Tuesday 4 April 2023

# **COUNCIL**

A meeting of the Council will be held as a Hybrid meeting in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Angel Street, Bridgend, CF31 4WB on **Wednesday**, **12 April 2023** at **16:00**.

#### **AGENDA**

Apologies for absence

To receive apologies for absence from Members.

2. <u>Declarations of Interest</u>

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

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To receive for approval the minutes of 1/3/23 and 15/3/23

- 4. To receive announcements from:
  - (i) Mayor (or person presiding)
  - (ii) Members of the Cabinet
  - (iii) Chief Executive
- 5. To receive announcements by the Leader
- 6. The Well-Being Plan for Cwm Taf Morgannwg

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7. To receive the following Questions from:

#### **Councillor Tim Wood to the Cabinet Member – Regeneration**

During recent years BCBC has expended a significant sum of public money firstly holding a consultation then a report and investigation process into opening a small portion of Bridgend Town Centre back open to traffic.

This consultation back in 2016 had the highest public engagement in the history of this

council and the public were resounding in their backing of this partial re-opening of the town centre.

As such, will the Cabinet Member for Regeneration agree that we as a council are here to serve the public, to be good stewards of the public purse and are here to encourage and sustain our town centres not hinder them.

So, will the Cabinet Member for Regeneration detail to me their plans to make Bridgend Town Centre accessible to all?

# **Councillor Alex Williams to the Cabinet Member - Communities**

Will the Cabinet Member - Communities make a statement on the subsidies which BCBC currently provides to support those bus routes which have been deemed as commercially unviable; outline what consideration has been given to the reduction or complete withdrawal of these subsidies; and what analysis has been conducted on the potential ramifications of such a reduction or withdrawal in subsidies on people within the communities which were previously in receipt of subsidised routes?

### **Councillor Tim Thomas to the Cabinet Member - Communities**

What is the Cabinet Member doing to ensure that BCBC roads and highways are accessible for the elderly and disabled?

# Councillor Ian Williams to the Cabinet Member - Regeneration

Could the Cabinet Member for Regeneration please let me have an update on what measures are being taken to restore the many derelict buildings in our town centre and what is the timeline for this remediation?

#### 8. 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.

Note: This will be a Hybrid meeting and Members and Officers will be attending in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Angel Street Bridgend / Remotely via Microsoft Teams. The meeting will be recorded for subsequent transmission via the Council's internet site which will be available as soon as practicable after the meeting. If you have any queries regarding this, please contact cabinet\_committee@bridgend.gov.uk or tel. 01656 643147 / 643148.

Yours faithfully

#### **K Watson**

Chief Officer, Legal and Regulatory Services, HR and Corporate Policy

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E L P Caparros M L Hughes JH Tildesley MBE

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