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Dear Sir/Madam

**CCBC Budget Consultation 2019/20**

In relation to Caerphilly County Borough Council's 2019/20 budget proposals, members of Llanbradach & Pwllypant Community Council put forward the following comments for your consideration:

1. CCBC's budget proposals contradicts their own strategy, 'Caerphilly County Borough Council recognises the importance of Town Centres to the wider economy of the county borough and the strategic development of town centres is at the core of the Council's Regeneration Strategy'.

The following cuts proposed, which we strongly oppose, will discourage people from visiting our town centres:

- Removing toilet provision
- Reducing support for bus services
- Increasing car parking charges
- Cessation of Community Safety Warden Service
- Cleansing cuts resulting in poor and unkempt street scene

2. Llanbradach & Pwllypant Community Council strongly opposes the proposed closure of Penallta Civic Amenity Site due to it being a well-used facility, with higher tonnage than other sites such as Rhymney and Aberbargoed. There is good off road access to Penallta Civic Amenity on the Penallta Industrial Estate and it serves several large communities.

It makes good business sense to base money saving decisions on tonnage and population.

Sites producing less tonnage and in more sparsely populated areas should be considered for closure to make savings.

Closure would mean our communities and open spaces deteriorating, as fly tipping becomes the norm.

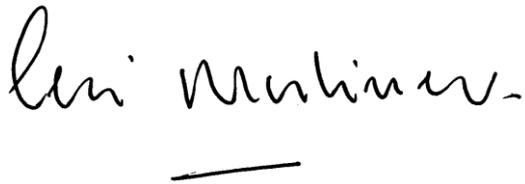
We therefore urge CCBC that Penallta Civic Amenity Site does not face closure.

3. Llanbradach & Pwllpant Community Council objects to the proposed reduction of 1 hour caretakers' support across all centres from April, and further, the proposal to remove caretakers support from all centres from October.

We urge CCBC to adopt a different approach by looking at the balances and usage of each centre in turn.

Community Centres are the hub of our communities, and this approach does not promote community well-being.

Yours sincerely

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Clerk to the Council