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Lowest council tax rise in Wales

Caerphilly County Borough Council has agreed the lowest Council Tax rise in Wales, a decision that will be welcomed by residents across the area.

The decision to limit the increase to 1% (instead of the 3.9% originally anticipated) was approved at a meeting of Full Council at the end of February when the council's budget for 2016/17 was agreed.

The Leader of Council has pledged that the council will continue to work hard to protect services, protect staff and protect the vulnerable in the community. "This is a fair, well thought out budget that puts local people first and protects frontline services.

"Caerphilly is navigating its way through these difficult financial times thanks to our strategic approach to budget management and the

support of a dedicated workforce who are all pulling together to make savings and deliver quality services."

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budget**
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"We are also proud to be in a position to offer the lowest council tax rise in Wales.

Our proposed 1% rise equates to a weekly increase of just 19p for a Band D property. We are aware that people out there are feeling the pinch at the moment and we have responded accordingly," he added.

Savings amounting to £11.1million have been identified within the budget and, of these, over £8.7million will have no impact on front line services, and £1.9 million is the full year impact of savings made in 2015/16 These savings have been achieved by making cuts to 'back room' services and through vacancy management across the organisation.



Cllr Keith Reynolds
Leader of the Council

Residents' Recycling Reminder

The council is keen to remind residents of what can and cannot be placed in the brown recycling bin with its '7 recycling bin sins' campaign.

While the majority of residents do recycle - and for a number of years Caerphilly has been among the best performing council areas in Wales for recycling - there remains an issue with incorrect materials being placed in some recycling bins.

The '7 recycling bin sins' are the seven things that cause the most problems by residents incorrectly placing these items in their recycling bins. Throughout August and September last year, each household received a visit from a trained officer representing the council as part of the campaign, and each household also received a leaflet detailing what can and cannot be recycled.

Cllr Nigel George said, "While the majority of our residents do recycle, we need to acknowledge that as a community, we need to do even more to make sure we continue to meet the ambitious recycling targets set by Welsh Government. By residents ensuring they place only the correct items in their recycling bin this will go a long way to helping us achieve those targets."

Residents are also encouraged to participate in the council's food waste recycling scheme. Currently less than 50% of residents use this service, which leaves thousands of tonnes of food waste being disposed of in the large green general waste bin.

Don't waste your recycling!

Did you know that putting wrong items in your brown recycling bin reduces the amount of material that can be recycled, which costs us all money?

We need your help to improve the quality of our recycling by ensuring that none of the 7 bin sins listed below get into your household recycling!

THE 7 RECYCLING BIN SINS



NAPPIES

Should be placed in your refuse bin.



PET POO

Should be placed in your refuse bin.



ELECTRICALS

Take to your recycling centre.



FOOD WASTE

Recycle all food in your separate food caddy (remove all packaging first and recycle as much of the food container as possible).



CERTAIN PLASTICS

Place plastic film in your refuse bin. Take hard plastic (toys, cd cases, plant pots etc) to your household waste recycling centre.



CERTAIN PACKAGING

Crisp packets/pet food pouches/polystyrene trays/polystyrene packaging from electrical goods. These should be placed in your refuse bin.



TEXTILES

Take to your or a charity shop.



For more information on what can and cannot be recycled, please visit www.caerphilly.gov.uk or call 01443 866533

Dog control consultation

Joint action sees tenants evicted

A family of five have recently found themselves evicted from their council property, following a catalogue of anti-social behaviour incidents.

During their three year tenancy, repeated complaints had been received regarding the unacceptable behaviour of the parents at the property. Incidents included late night drunken arguments, excessively loud music being played at all hours, intimidation of neighbours, use of abusive language and threatening behaviour.

Various support referrals were made during this time in an attempt to work with the family to alter their patterns of behaviour. Following joint investigations with Gwent Police, formal action was taken against the father and both parents were made subject to a Noise Abatement Notice. A successful application was also made for a Suspended Possession Order, so that officers could continue to work with the family to try and help them sustain their tenancy.

Within six weeks of the Order being granted however, further complaints were received, with audio evidence capturing use of offensive language, threats and excessively loud music being played by both parents. An application for a Warrant of Eviction was therefore made, which was granted in December last year.

Following the eviction, neighbours told of how their lives have been totally transformed for the better, and how they now feel about to sleep soundly at night, without fear of what would happen next with their neighbours.

Cllr David Poole said, "Our residents should not have to live in a situation where their quality of life is being adversely affected by another, and we will continue to use any powers at our disposal to ensure that this remains the case."

To report an issue of this nature, please contact your local housing office or visit www.caerphilly.gov.uk

Useful Numbers Rhifau Defnyddiol

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| MAIN SWITCHBOARD PRIF SWITFSWRDD ☎ 01443 815588 | Children's Social Services Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol i Blant ☎ 0808 100 1727 |
| Minicom Minicom ☎ 01443 873626 | Consumer Advice Cyngor i Ddefnyddwyr ☎ 08454 04 05 06 |
| Emergency Number for Council Services: Rhif argyfwng ar gyfer Gwasanaethau'r Cyngor: ☎ 01443 875500 (Out of hours only • Allian o Oriau yn unig) | Council Tax Enquiries Ymholiadau Treth y Cyngor ☎ 01443 863002 |
| Adults' Social Services Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol i Oedolion ☎ 0808 100 2500 | Furniture Recycling Ailgylchu Dodrefn ☎ 01685 846830 |
| StreetPride BalchderStryd ☎ 01443 866566 | Housing & Council Tax Benefits Budd-daliadau Tai/Treth y Cyngor New Claims: Rhifau Newydd: 01443 866567 Existing Claimants: Rhifau Preswyl: 01443 864099 |
| Blue Badge Bathodyn Glas ☎ 01443 866571 | |

Supported Lodgings

The council's 16 Plus team is looking for people to support their Supported Lodgings Scheme across Caerphilly county borough.

The scheme is designed to provide young people aged between 16 and 21, who have previously been in foster care or who find themselves homeless, into a family environment. The council is looking for people who may like to support this scheme – and the criteria is simple; a spare room in your homes and some time to invest in providing a young person with guidance and support, while also teaching them some of the practical aspects of living independently. For those who can relate with teenagers and

Llety â Chymorth

Mae tîm Dros 16 y Cyngor yn edrych am bobl i gefnogi eu Cynllun Llety â chymorth ar draws bwrdeistref sirol Caerffili.

Mae'r cynllun wedi'i gynllunio i leoli pobl ifanc rhwng 16 a 21 oed, sydd wedi bod mewn gofal maeth o'r blaen neu sydd nawr yn gweld eu hunain yn ddigartref, mewn amgylchedd cartref teuluol. Mae'r cyngor yn edrych am bobl a gall fod â diddordeb mewn cefnogi'r cynllun hwn – ac mae'r meini prawf yn syml, ystafell sbâr yn eich cartref a rhywfaint o amser i fuddsoddi mewn darparu person ifanc gydag arweiniad a chefnogaeth tra hefyd yn eu haddysgu rhai o'r agweddau ymarferol o fyw'n annibynnol. Ar gyfer y rhai sy'n gallu uniaethu â phobl ifanc a'r materion sy'n

eu wynebu, mae'r rôl â thâl hwn yn gyfle delfrydol i wneud gwahaniaeth i fywyd person ifanc. **Am wybodaeth bellach, ffoniwch y tîm Dros 16 ar 029 20 849 815**



What's ON / Digwyddiadau

Sign up to receive regular information about local events by e-mailing: events@caerphilly.gov.uk
For information about upcoming talks, book clubs and craft sessions at your local library visit www.caerphilly.gov.uk or call **01443 864068**

Roll on Easter • Mae Bron yn Basg
24/03 • 12pm – 2pm
Ynys Hywel Farm • Fferm Ynys Hywel

Entertaining activities galore and a chance to get up close to the animals, with the very famous egg-rolling finale. Cost £1.50 - please bring a hard-boiled egg. Booking is essential. Digonedd o weithgareddau difyr a chyfle i fynd yn agos at yr anifeiliaid, gyda'r diweddgllo rhoio wly enwog. Pris £1.50 - dewch ag wly wedi berwi'n galed. Mae archebu yn hanfodol. **01495 227 206**

The Great Easter Bunny Hunt
Helfa Fawr Cwningen y Pasg
27/03
Cwmarn Forest • Coedwig Cwmarn

Come along and join in the hunt for the cheeky Easter Bunny who has stolen the golden egg! Use your skills to find the egg and claim your eggs-citing prize. £4.50 per child. Dewch i ymuno yn yr helfa am Gwningen y Pasg direidus sydd wedi dwyn yr wly euraidd! Defnyddiwch eich sgiliau i ddod o hyd i'r wly a hawlio'ch gwobr h-wy-l. £4.50 y plentyn. **01495 272 001**



The Company of Wolves
07/04, 08/04 + 09/04 • 7.30pm
Cwmarn Forest • Coedwig Cwmarn

A unique theatrical adventure, retelling ancient folklore and mythical tales – join Burn the Curtain as they journey into the darkness of the forest. The route is 2-3 miles for walkers and 4-5 miles for runners. The tale will be performed along the way. Suitable for age 8+. Tickets £14/£12 for under 18s.

Antur theatrig unigryw, yn ailadrodd llên gwerin a straeon mytholegol - ymunwch â Burn the Curtain wrth iddynt deithio i dywyllwch y goedwig. Mae'r llwybr yn 2-3 milltir ar gyfer cerddwyr a 4-5 milltir ar gyfer rhedwyr. Bydd y stori'n cael ei berfformio ar hyd y ffordd. Addas i blant 8+. Tocynnau £14/£12 ar gyfer rhai o dan 18. **01495 227 206**

Eggs-citing Easter Crafts • H-wy-l Crefftau Pasg
25/03 + 28/03 • 11am-12pm
Winding House • Y Tŷ Weindio

Join the team for some Easter family fun! Get creative with some eggs-cellent crafts; bonnets, baskets and bunnies. £2.50 per child, children must be accompanied by an adult. Ymunwch â'r tîm ar gyfer hwyl y Pasg i'r teulu! Byddwch yn creadigol gyda chrefftau h-wy-liog; bonedi, basgedi a chwmnogod. £2.50 y plentyn, mae'n rhaid i blant fod yng nghwmni oedolyn. **Booking is essential. Mae archebu yn hanfodol. 01443 822 666**



Little Red Riding Hood + The Three Little Pigs • Hugar Fach Goch + Tri Mochyn Bach
28/05 • 7.30pm
Blackwood Miners' Institute • Sefydliad y Glowyr Coed Duon

Award winning company, Ballet Cymru present two hugely popular stories in ballet adaptations. Tickets £14, £12 for concessions and £40 family of four. Mae'r cwmni, Ballet Cymru, sydd wedi ennill gwobrau, yn cyflwyno dwy stori boblogaidd iawn mewn addasiadau bale. Tocynnau £14, £12 ar gyfer consesiynnau a £40 am deulu o bedwar. **01495 227 206**

Traditional Easter Crafts and Games • Crefftau a Gemau Traddodiadol y Pasg
25/03 + 28/03 • 11am – 4pm
Llancaiaich Fawr

An Easter 'eggs-stravagnaza' of crafts and games. Normal manor entry fees apply. Diwrnod llawn h-wy-l gyda chrefftau a gemau'r Pasg Ffi mynediad arferol i'r Maenordy. **01443 412 248**



Cofrestrwch i dderbyn gwybodaeth reolaidd am ddigwyddiadau lleol drwy e-bostio: digwyddiadau@caerffili.gov.uk
I gael gwybodaeth am sgysiau, clybiau llyfrau a sesiynau crefft sydd ar y gweill yn eich llyfrgell leol ewch i www.caerffili.gov.uk neu ffoniwch 01443 864068

www.caerphilly.gov.uk/events • www.caerffili.gov.uk/digwyddiadau

Ready for a challenge?

There's a challenge to suit everyone this summer – with participants gearing up ready for the Caerphilly Sport Relief Mile, the Caerphilly Challenge Series 'The Forge' and the Caerphilly 10k. Walk or run the Sport Relief six mile, three mile or one mile events at Caerphilly Castle on Sunday 20th March to raise money for Sport Relief 2016. Visit www.sportrelief.com to register.

Next up is the Caerphilly Challenge Series 'The Forge' on Saturday 7th May. With walks ranging from 1-5 miles to a mammoth 22 mile challenge, there is a route available for people of all ages and abilities. The closing date for registering to take part in the longer routes is Sunday 24th April. Full details are at www.caerphillychallenge.com. Finally, the Caerphilly 10k returns on Sunday 19th June and will lead participants through and around the town centre, passing a number of iconic landmarks along the way. To sign up, or for more information, please visit www.caerphilly.gov.uk/10k



CAERPHILLY 10K
10cilomedr CAERFFILI

Barod am her?

Mae her ar gyfer pawb yr haf hwn - gyda chyfranogwyr yn barod ar gyfer Milltir 'Sport Relief' Caerffili, Cyfres Heriau Caerffili 'Yr Efail' a 10cilomedr Caerffili. Cerddwch neu rhedwch y chwe milltir Sport Relief, digwyddiadau tair milltir neu un milltir yng Nghastell Caerffili ar Ddydd Sul 20fed Mawrth i godi arian ar gyfer 'Sport Relief' 2016. Ewch i www.sportrelief.com i gofrestru.

Nesaf fydd Cyfres Her Caerffili 'Yr Efail' ar ddydd Sadwrn 7fed Mai. Gyda theithiau cerdded yn amrywio o 1-5 milltir i her enfawr o 22 milltir, mae llwybr ar gael ar gyfer pobl o bob oedran a gallu. Y dyddiad cau ar gyfer cofrestru i gymryd rhan yn y llwybrau hiraf yw Dydd Sul 24ain Ebrill. Mae manylion llawn ar www.caerphillychallenge.com. I orffen, mae 10cilomedr Caerffili yn dychwelyd ar Ddydd Sul 19eg Mehefin a bydd yn arwain cyfranogwyr drwy ac o amgylch canol y dref, gan fynd heibio nifer o dirnodau eiconig ar hyd y ffordd. I gofrestru, neu am fwy o wybodaeth, ewch i www.caerffili.gov.uk/10cilomedr

Protecting You • Eich Diogelu Chi

The council's Public Protection team aims to ensure that the county borough is a healthy, safe and fair place for people to live, work & visit. One of the team's key tasks is to expose and bring before the courts those individuals and businesses we discover acting illegally. **Below are examples of recent prosecutions:**

Nod tîm Diogelu'r Cyhoedd y cyngor yw sicrhau bod y fwrdeistref sirol yn lle iach, diogel a theg i bobl fyw a gweithio ynddo ac ymweld. Un o brif dasgau'r tîm yw datgelu'r gwir am yr unigolion a'r busnesau hynny sy'n gweithredu'n anghyfreithlon, a'u dwyn gerbron y llys. **Isod ceir enghreifftiau o erlyniadau diweddar:**

Trading Standards prosecutions • Erlyniadau Safonau Masnach

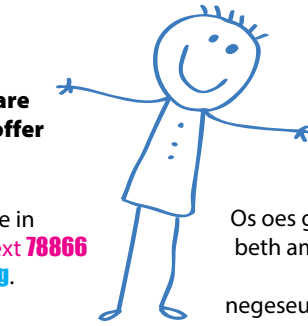
| Defendant | Offence | Court Decision |
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| Grant Sutherland Parker, trading as Trinant Respray Centre | 15th February 2016 at Cwmbran Magistrates Court. Failing to disclose the fact that he was selling motor vehicles in the course of a business. Selling a vehicle that had been an insurance write off without disclosing the fact to the purchaser. | £2,300 fine, £800 compensation to the consumer, £913.50 costs to the council and a £50 victim surcharge. Consumer Protection from Unfair Trading Regulations 2008. |
| Anthony Zaccaria of Canton, Cardiff | 4th February 2016 at Cardiff Magistrates Court. Street Trading without appropriate consent from the local authority. | 16 weeks imprisonment. 12 month supervision order on releases from prison. Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982. |
| John Morgan, of Ely, Cardiff | 29th January 2016 at Newport Magistrates Court. Street Trading without appropriate consent from the local authority. | £750 fine, £260 costs to the council and £75 victim surcharge. Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982. |
| Sean Patrick Feeley and Sean Simon Feeley, trading as Alpine Construction of Lower Race, Pontypool | 19th January 2016 at Newport Crown Court. Mis-describing building work, making false statements regarding guarantees and previous work carried out by the business. Failure to inform consumers of their right to cancel. Fraudulent use of a trade mark. | Sean Patrick Feeley: 26 weeks imprisonment suspended for 18 months + 100 hours unpaid work. Sean Simon Feeley: 18 month supervision order + 100 hours unpaid work. Jointly: £1,576.90 compensation to the consumer, £1,000 costs to the council and £80 each victim surcharge. Consumer Protection from Unfair Trading Regulations 2008. Trade Marks Act 1994. |

To view the full list, visit www.caerphilly.gov.uk/prosecutions
Gellir gweld y rhestr yn llawn ar www.caerffili.gov.uk/erlyniadau

Prosecution results are provided for a limited period to promote the openness of the council's actions to local residents. Information provided must not be reused in any form without the agreement of CCBC. Caiff canlyniadau erlyniadau eu dangos am gyfnod cyfyngedig i ddangos i drigolion lleol bod y cyngor yn gweithredu mewn modd agored. Ni ddylid aildefnyddio gwybodaeth mewn unrhyw fodd heb ganiatâd Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Caerffili.

Foster Appeal

The Council needs foster carers to care for children over the age of 10. We offer extensive support, comprehensive training & attractive fees. If you have room in your home and time in your life, why not call **0800 587 5664**, text **78866** or visit www.caerphilly.gov.uk/fostering. Texts cost the standard network rate.



Apêl Maethu

Mae angen gofalyddion maeth ar y cyngor i ofalu am blant dros 10 oed. Rydym yn cynnig cymorth helaeth, hyfforddiant cynhwysfawr a ffioedd deniadol. Os oes gennych le yn eich cartref ac amser yn eich bywyd, beth am ffonio **0800 587 5664**, anfon neges destun at **78866** neu ewch i www.caerffili.gov.uk/maethu. Mae negeseuon destun yn costio'r gyfradd rhywdaith safonol.