

NOTICE OF MOTION – REAL NAPPIES

Notice of Motion Standing in the Name of County Borough Councillor Andrew Farina-Childs and supported by the undersigned Councillors: -

To ask that Caerphilly County Borough Council implement a voucher system to encourage families to switch from disposable nappies to reusable nappies.

I provide the following information in support of my motion:

Single use nappies are made using plastics, elastics, adhesive, paper pulp and chemicals, they are resources expensive using up oil and lots and lots of trees, nappies do not readily degrade and can leach toxins into the ground. It costs 3 times as much to get a disposable nappy to landfill or incineration than it does to buy it. In a 2¹/₂-year period each baby will produce approximately 5,000 nappies, filling 156 black bags (the equivalent weight of an average family car), with a cost to parents of between £700 - £1,300.

Other local authorities in Wales have already adopted cashback incentive schemes to make the switch to reusable nappies, through a simple application process.

As a Council dedicated to waste reduction and carbon neutrality this simple scheme could reduce waste, save money for families in and save our environment.



Councillor A. Farina-Childs

Supported By:

Councillors A. Angel, N. Dix, K. Etheridge, J.E. Fussell, G. Simmonds, C. Mann, J. Roberts, C. Bishop, B. Owen.