



## **CABINET – 14TH NOVEMBER 2018**

**SUBJECT: NOTICE OF MOTION – SPORT AND ACTIVE RECREATION STRATEGY (SARS) 2019-2029**

**REPORT BY: CORPORATE DIRECTOR FOR EDUCATION AND CORPORATE SERVICES**

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1.1 The attached Notice of Motion was presented to the Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny Committee on 30th October 2018 by Councillor K. Etheridge, and requested that:-

“We the undersigned elected members call on the Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny Committee to make a recommendation to Cabinet which we understand will be discussed on 14th November 2018 that the whole strategy is referred to Full Council for debate and vote by all elected members in the interests of openness and transparency. We acknowledge the strength of feeling and the campaign against the proposals to rationalise leisure centres, a campaign which has achieved cross party support, support of 2 former MPs and the current MP within the Islwyn Parliamentary Constituency.

The ongoing petition currently contains 5000 signatures in respect of retaining sites at Cefn Fforest and Blackwood, and currently lists a number of signatures from the following wards; Argoed, Penmaen, Pengam, Aberbargoed, Pontllanfraith, Ynysddu, Blackwood, New Tredegar, Abercarn, Newbridge, Risca East, Maesycwmmmer, Ystrad Mynach and Cefn Fforest.

We ask the Committee to consider this motion and request should they agree to request that Cabinet refer the matter to Full Council”.

1.2 The Scrutiny Committee considered the Notice of Motion and were advised that in relation to the decision-making process, the decision on whether or not to adopt the Sport and Active Recreation Strategy is an executive function of Cabinet, but Cabinet do have the discretion to refer such matters to Council.

1.3 Following discussion on its contents, it was unanimously agreed that the Notice of Motion be supported, and that it be recommended to Cabinet that the Draft Sport and Active Recreation Strategy 2019-29 being considered on 14th November 2018 be referred to Council for approval.

1.4 Cabinet are asked to note the attached Notice of Motion and consider the above recommendation from the Scrutiny Committee.

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Appendices:

Appendix Report to the Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny Committee on 30th October 2018 - Agenda Item 8.