



CABINET – 12TH JULY 2023

PUBLIC INTEREST TEST – EXEMPTION FROM DISCLOSURE OF DOCUMENTS PARAGRAPH 14 OF SCHEDULE 12A LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

SUBJECT: GEORGE STREET, CWMCARN – REAR WALLS SCHEME

REPORT BY: HEAD OF LEGAL SERVICES AND MONITORING OFFICER

I have considered grounds for exemption of information contained in the report referred to above and make the following recommendations to the Proper Officer:-

EXEMPTIONS APPLYING TO THE REPORT:

Paragraph 14 - Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person.

FACTORS IN FAVOUR OF DISCLOSURE

There is public interest in the way that a council intends to spend its budget..

PREJUDICE WHICH WOULD RESULT IF THE INFORMATION WERE DISCLOSED:

The report contains detailed information of the expected costs associated with the delivery of the scheme based on detailed engineering drawings. The contract for the works has yet to be awarded and detailed financial details should not be made public at this stage as this could affect the tendering exercise.

MY VIEW ON THE PUBLIC INTEREST TEST IS AS FOLLOWS:

That paragraph 14 should apply.

On the basis I feel that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information. Importantly, the contract for the delivery of the scheme has yet to be awarded. Members are asked to consider these factors when determining the public interest test, which they must decide when considering excluding the public from this part of the meeting.

RECOMMENDED DECISION ON EXEMPTION FROM DISCLOSURE:

On the basis set out above I feel that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, and that the report should be exempt.

Signed: 

Dated: 28 June 2023

Post: Head of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer

I accept the recommendation made above.



Signed: _____
Proper Officer

Date: 28th June 2023