

THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL

COUNCIL: 7TH MARCH, 2022

REFERENCE FROM CABINET: 28TH FEBRUARY, 2022

“C860 NON-DOMESTIC RATES - RETAIL, HOSPITALITY & LEISURE RATES RELIEF (EL/PR) (SCRUTINY – CORPORATE PERFORMANCE AND RESOURCES) –
(Urgent by reason of the need to refer the report for Council's consideration on 7th March, 2022 with a view to introducing the scheme on 1st April, 2022)

The Executive Leader and Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources presented the report the purpose of which was to confirm adoption of a Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Rates Relief Scheme for 2022/2023 in respect of qualifying business premises within the Vale of Glamorgan area under discretionary relief powers in accordance with section 47 of the Local Government Finance Act 1988.

The report brought to the attention of Cabinet the Councils discretionary powers to award non-domestic rates relief to businesses within the Council's area under Section 47 of the Local Government Finance Act 1988.

The report drew Cabinet's attention to the proposed funding that would be provided by Welsh Government in order to support businesses in the retail, hospitality and leisure sectors throughout the Council's area.

The report proposed that Cabinet adopt the Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Rates Relief Scheme for 2022-23 in accordance with the provisions contained in Section 47 of the Local Government Finance Act 1988.

This was a matter for Executive and Council decision.

Cabinet, having considered the report and all the issues and implications contained therein,

RESOLVED –

(1) T H A T the following be recommended to Full Council:

- (i) The Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Rates Relief Scheme for 2022-23 in accordance with the provisions contained in Section 47 of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 be adopted.**
- (ii) That award relief to all qualifying businesses as in accordance with the Non-domestic Rates Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Rates Relief Guidance issued by the Welsh Government at attached at Appendix A to the report be agreed.**

(iii) That award entitlement to eligible businesses following receipt of a valid application form be agreed.

(2) T H A T the use of Article 14.14 of the Council's Constitution (Urgent decision Procedure) be authorised in respect of 1 above.

Reasons for decisions

(1) To enable a scheme to be adopted using discretionary relief powers under section 47 of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 for the provision of Retail, Hospitality & Leisure Rates Relief for qualifying business premises within the Vale of Glamorgan area.

(2) The use of Article 14.14 will enable the issue to be reported to Council on the 7th March 2022 with a view to introducing the Scheme on the 1st April 2022.”