

CYNGOR TREF COED DUON BLACKWOOD TOWN COUNCIL

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

ADOPTION OF MODEL PUBLICATION SCHEME 1st JANUARY 2009

This is to inform all residents/electors in the Blackwood TC area that the above Scheme has been adopted by the Town Council and as such information held by the Council is available upon written request.

There is a basic charge for this information of 50p per A4 sheet. This charge to include all costs including the Clerk's time, paper, postage, copying costs etc. Information may be requested for the most recent two years only.

The Town Council believes in being as open as possible and in being accountable to local residents. It welcomes local interest and involvement in local government. In this regard its Minutes and Agendas are available from the Town Clerk.

The classes of information in the Scheme which must be available on written request are:-

- Who we are and what we do
- What we spend and how we spend it
- What our priorities are and how we are doing
- How we make decisions
- Our Policies and Procedures
- Lists and Registers
- The Services we offer

The law states that requests must receive a response within twenty days. It should be noted that there are exceptions to the right for information such as personal records and commercially sensitive information such as tenders and quotations prior to the closing date.

John Hold
Town Clerk