

Council – 6 July 2023

Notice of Motion - Live Animals as Prizes

Notice of Motion from Councillors Chris Holley, James McGettrick, Mary Jones, Jeff Jones, Cheryl Philpott, Wendy Fitzgerald, Lynda James, Mike Day, Susan Jones, Sam Bennett, Kevin Griffiths, Nicola Furlong, Gordon Walker, Mark Tribe, Michael Locke, Peter Black, Graham Thomas & Matthew Bailey.

This Council:

• is concerned about the number of cases reported to the RSPCA each year, regarding pets given as prizes via fairgrounds, social media and other channels in Wales

• is concerned for the welfare of those animals that are being given as prizes

• recognises that many cases of pets being given as prizes may go unreported each year in Wales

• currently bans the giving of live animals as prizes, in any form, on Swansea Council land and calls on the Welsh Government.to legislate to make this activity illegal

The Council agrees to:

• reaffirms its ban on the giving of live animals as prizes, in any form, on Swansea Council land, resolves to inform the RSPCA of its policy, and to better publicise this ban prominently on its website with a clear reporting mechanism for the public; and

• write to the Welsh Government, urging an outright ban on the giving of live animals as prizes on both public and private land in Wales.