

FILMING OF MEETINGS as at 15/06/11

All Councils allow BBC Wales and ITV Wales to film the Councillors in the chamber preparing for the meeting, but filming stops as the meeting starts.

Welsh Local Authorities	Do you allow filming of your meetings by members of the public	Do you allow filming of your meetings by the press / media	Do you record and stream the proceedings of meetings on your website	If you do film and broadcast meetings what were the installation costs
<u>1. Blaneau Gwent County Borough Council:</u>	No	No	No	N/A
<u>2. Bridgend County Borough Council</u>	No	No	No	N/A
<u>3. Caerphilly County Borough Council</u> Do not generally allow filming of meetings. However if media or public wish to film, they must seek prior permission. Permission will depend on topic being discussed. Also, filming of outside of building is not allowed. Do not stream proceedings, however facility is available in main Council Chamber. Installation was done when the new chamber was being built and was part of the set up cost - not a retrospective cost.	No	No	No	See note

<u>4. Cardiff Council</u> Do webcast <u>full</u> Council meetings only. At each Council meeting permission is sought at the start of the meeting to webcast. Not sure of costs involved in installation, but it is done via Public Eye, held on external server, and hire of equipment and cost of website.	No - see note	No	Yes - see note	See note
<u>5. Carmarthenshire County Council</u> Section 100A (7) of the Local Government Act 1972 states: (7)Nothing in this section shall require a principal council to permit the taking of photographs of any proceedings, or the use of any means to enable persons not present to see or hear any proceedings (whether at the time or later), or the making of any oral report on any proceedings as they take place.	No - see note	No	No	N/A
<u>6. Ceredigion County Council</u>	No	No	No	N/A

<u>7. Conwy County Borough Council</u> Conwy County Borough Council's Constitution states: 28. (15) Audio/Video recording or transmission No person other than the Council shall be entitled to make a video or audio recording or transmission of a meeting of the Council or its Committees.	No - see note	No	No	N/A
<u>8. Denbighshire County Council</u> person to contact is Steve Price - 01824 712589 / steve.price@denbighshire.gov.uk Do have a webcam system but it is not available to the public	No	No	No	N/A
<u>9. Flintshire County Council</u>	No	No	No	N/A
<u>10. Gwynedd Council</u> Not prohibited under Standing Orders and up to the discretion of the Chair	No	No	No	N/A

<u>11. Isle of Angelsey County Council</u> Piloting the online publication of the audio of the proceedings of the Planning and Orders Committee, which allows members of the public to listen to the debate (post-meeting) via our website.	No	No	No - see note	N/A
<u>12. Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council</u>	No	No	No	N/A
<u>13. Monmouthshire County Council</u> Filming has never been an issue - however it is not prohibited under Standing Orders and up to the discretion of the Chair	See note	See note	No	N/A
<u>14. Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council</u> With the exception of the Annual Meeting, or otherwise resolved by the Council, the taking of photographs or the oral recording of proceedings whilst they are taking place of any meeting of the Council shall be prohibited	No	No	No	N/A

<u>15. Newport City Council</u> Have not had an issue with any members of the public or press filming proceedings. However, it would be up to each individual Chairman whether it is allowed	See note	See note	No	N/A
<u>16. Pembrokeshire County Council</u>	No	No	No	N/A
<u>17. Powys County Council</u>	No	No	No	N/A Have looked but costs are prohibitive

<p>18. Rhondda Cynon Taf http://www.rhondda-cynon-taf.gov.uk/</p> <p>RCT at its AGM held on 25th May 2011 decided: To adopt the Council Procedure Rule set out in paragraph 6.2 of the report with regard to photographs and recording of meetings and the Constitution be amended accordingly. i.e.</p> <p>6. PHOTOGRAPHS AND RECORDING OF MEETINGS</p> <p>6.1 With the increasing sophistication of communication technology it is becoming easier to record/transmit proceedings at Council and Committees. In order to regulate such recordings it is considered that the following procedure rule be adopted:</p> <p>6.2 Photographs and Recordings at Meetings Proceedings at meetings may not be photographed, videoed, sound recorded or transmitted in anyway outside the meeting without prior permission of the Mayor. Failure to comply with this rule may invoke Rule 19.4 (Members to leave meeting) and 20.1 (Removal of members of the public).</p>	No	No	No	N/A
<p>19. City & County of Swansea</p> <p>Discretion of presiding Officer</p>	No - see note	No - see note	No	N/A

<p><u>20. Torfaen County Borough Council</u></p> <p>Constitution: 4.28.16 Proceedings at meetings may not be photographed, videoed, tape recorded or transmitted in any way outside the meeting room without the prior permission of the Mayor or Chief Executive</p>	No	No	No	N/A
<p><u>21. Vale of Glamorgan Council</u></p>	No	No	No	<p>N/A</p> <p>We have looked at it but couldn't justify cost albeit this stance may have to change given proposals in the Measure relating to remote attendance at meetings.</p>

<p><u>22. Wrexham County Borough Council</u></p> <p>The Council's Standing Orders stipulate that proceedings at meetings may not be photographed, videoed, sound recorded or transmitted in any way outside the meeting without the prior permission of the Chair</p>	No	No	No	N/A
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