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NOTICE OF MONTHLY MEETING

The Monthly Meeting of the Community Council will be held as a Hybrid Meeting at **Betws RFC** and virtually on **Microsoft Teams** on Wednesday 10th April 2024 at 7:00pm.

The meeting will be held on a remote basis in accordance with the provisions of the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Meetings) (Wales) Regulations 2020 and Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021.

Any member of the public who wishes to attend the meeting as a spectator or who has questions to put to the Councillors contact the Clerk for this to be able to take place and the correct procedures to be followed

AGENDA

1. Public Questions/Representations
2. Apologies (to be given to the Clerk prior to the meeting)
3. To receive disclosures of of Personal and Prejudicial Interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting.
4. County Councillor Report.
5. Confirm and sign the minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 13th March 2024
6. Dyfed Powys Police Monthly Crime Figures for Betws for February 2024 and link to for Councillors and Residents to access the figures.
[Betws | Police.uk \(www.police.uk\)](https://www.police.uk)
7. a) Payments/Invoices received –
b) Donations –
c) Audit -
8. Planning Applications –

The following applications were received:

PL/07376 prior notification agricultural/forestry - for a cover for an existing slurry pit at Llwyndu Farm, Betws, Ammanford, SA18 2RE – closed and decision made - planning permission required.

The following applications were granted/refused/withdrawn:

9. **Correspondence/Matters for Information/Action (emails sent out to members)**
 - a) **Community Cushions – (OVW) (email sent 20/3/2024)**
 - b) **Co-Option (email sent 20/3/2024)**
 - c) **Events at CofGâr, the Carmarthenshire County Council Museums and Arts Service (email sent 3/4/2024)**
 - d) **Ammanford College Public Meeting (email sent 3/4/2024) proposal to close Ammanford College**
 - e) **Funding Opportunities (email sent 3/4/2024)**
 - f) **The Urdd's Fund for All (email sent 3/4/2024)**
 - g) **South West Wales Regional Transport Plan (email sent 3/4/2024) – any comments for the attached letter**
 - h) **2024 - MARCH, APRIL, MAY & JUNE 2023 TRAINING DATES OVW (email sent 3/4/2024)**
 - i) **Annual Financial Timetable of Actions – OVW (email sent 3/3/2024)**
 - j) **New consultation: Senedd Cymru (Electoral Candidate Lists) Bill (OVW) (email sent 3/4/2024)**
 - k) **NEW DIRECTORY ENQUIRY FORM – New Directory for Care and Support for Carmarthenshire (email sent 3/4/2024)**
 - l) **Town & Community Councils Update – CCC (email sent 3/4/2024) – including Have your say on how homes are allocated in Carmarthenshire and copper switch over to digital voice BT information roadshow.**
 - m) **Focus group for youth representatives of community and town councils – (OVW) (email sent 3/4/2024)**
 - n) **Forum on "Local Community Enterprises as Drivers of the Local Economy" - 10.00 and 12.00 on Saturday 18th May in Carmarthen Library (email sent 3/4/2024)**
 - o) **Big News! | Ammanford Foodbank (email sent 3/4/2024)**
 - p) **Invitation to *Mudiad Meithrin yn 'Yr Egin'* on Friday, May 3rd from 10.00 until 12.00. (email sent 4/4/2024)**
 - q)
10. **To approve the report from Betws RFC annual lease for 2023-2024 check carried out by Councillor McMinn-Davies in January 2024.**
11. **To consider a motion to exclude the public and members of the press with regards to matters in point 13 due to the confidential nature under Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) 1960, s.1 (2) and Local Government Act 1972, s.100(2)**
12. **Exempt Matters –**
 - a) **Betws RFC and Land issue at Heol Y Felin (if any correspondence received)**
13. **Feedback from Committees/Working Group/Outside Bodies (all minutes of the Committee Meetings can be viewed on the Community Council Website where the Full Council Meeting minutes are also available):**

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a) **Recreation Ground Committee –**

Betws Park –

i) Update – Cllr Phillips

Correspondence received

a) **CLAS Award - Parc Betws (email sent 3/4/2024)**

b) **Keep Wales Tidy update from Caryn Griffiths and Saturday planting (emails sent 3/4/2024)**

c) **Sustainable Communities Fund Round – Rejection Letter (email sent 3/4/2024)**

ii) Betws Park railings – Cllr Comley if any changes.

b) **Maesquarre and Heol Y Felin Playground – update –**

i) **Annual Playground Inspection Reports –not covered in December meeting. Rec meeting due 27 Feb 2024 item to be placed on the agenda and await feedback – meeting cancelled due to Chairs work commitments to be re-convened to 17 April 2024.**

b) Finance and Staffing Committee – **waiting for minutes from Dave from the meeting held 17th January 2024.**

c) Community Engagement and Events Committee – Evaluation of Community Engagement Surgeries January 2024 - Cllr Allchurch to report back on way forward – meeting 2/3/2024 – not quorate notes made by the 2 Councillors to be circulated – meeting to be re-convened.

d) i) **To Adopt the Financial Regulations which were reviewed by the Finance Committee at point 3 in the meeting held on 22nd November 2023.**

ii) **To Adopt the New 2023 Standing Orders as distributed by One Voice Wales last year.**

iii) **Toolkit working group - Review Standing Orders and Financial Regulations and consider future reviews to take place once per election period and/or when updates are received (see 14 June 2023 minutes point 9d Revised Standing Orders This was NOTED by members and agreed that the working group would look at this along with the toolkit).**

plus 9a ref Good Councillor Guide to Employment 2023 to adopt? As only noted in 14 June 2023 meeting. – To re-visit in January 2024 – UPDATE - Working through in mid February to **report back in March to council – apologies sent by Dave Stacey moved to April meeting.**

e) **New Contracts for 1 April 2024 working group – update – ref playground and grounds maintenance contracts - Cllr Phillips/Jones**

f) **draft documents to be approved before advert for maintenance of recreation grounds tenders to go out in SW Guardian by 1st August 2024 latest – Cllr Jones**

Yours sincerely



Clerk to the Council