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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 12th February 2025 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/Approval of Absence/Resignation
(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 8th January 2025
6. Dyfed Powys Police Monthly Crime Figures for Betws for November 2024 and link for Councillors and Residents to access the figures.
[Betws | Police.uk \(www.police.uk\)](http://www.police.uk)
7.
 - a) Payments/Invoices received –
 - b) Donation Requests –
 - i. Menter Dinefwr (email sent 31/1/2025)
 - ii. Cancer Support Wales (Swansea charity) (email sent 31/1/2025)
 - c) To review Qtr 3 Finances
8. Planning Applications –

The following applications were received:

PL/08765 - Variation of Condition 2 on PL/07432 (Amendment to plans to increase floor area of proposed bungalow) - Land at 25 Woodlands Park, Betws, Ammanford, SA18 2HF – Consultation date 17/1/2025 – 7/2/2025 (email sent 27/1/2025)

PL/08795 - Lawful development: Proposed use - Proposed change of use from a dwelling (C3) to a residential care home for up to 2 children (C2) - Serenissima, Heol Y Felin, Ammanford, SA18 2HL – In review awaiting decision 21/1/2025.

PL/08766 - Non-Material Amendment to E/32650 (Amended plans) - 35 Betws Road, Ammanford, SA18 2HE - In review awaiting decision 15/1/2025

PL/08804 - Extension to Storage Shed and Enlargement of External Storage Yard Area (Resubmission of PL/06372 Refused on 25/01/2024) - Penllech Fach, Cwm Felin Road, Ammanford, SA18 2SG – consultation date 31/1/2025 – 21/2/2025 (email sent 31/1/2025)

The following applications were granted/refused/withdrawn:

PL/08409 - Single Storey Side Extension - Llwhisawl Farm, Betws, Ammanford, SA18 2PF – Householder Granted 22/1/2025 delegated decision.

- 9. Correspondence/Matters for Information/Action (email sent out to members)**
 - a) 2025 TRAINING DATES - JANUARY - MARCH 2025 (OVW) (email sent 13/1/2025)**
 - b) Participate in new important Wales community resilience research (OVW) (email sent 13/1/2025)**
 - c) Consultation to seek views on whether to designate two new sites as bathing waters for the 2025 bathing season (7/1/2025 – 17/2/2025) (Welsh Government/OVW) (email sent 13/1/2025)**
 - d) One Voice Wales National Awards 30 April 2025 (email sent 13/1/2025)**
 - e) Asbestos Awareness Training - Save the Dates (OVW) (email sent 13/1/2025)**
 - f) Town & Community Councils Update - Budget Consultation 2025 (CCC) (email sent 13/1/2025)**
 - g) 22.01.2025 Community & Town Councils Liaison Forum (CCC) (email sent 13/1/2025)**
 - h) Carmarthenshire's Public Rights of Way Team and Ramblers Cymru (CCC) (email sent 16/1/2025)**
 - i) Green Flag Community Awards - deadline looming! (CLAS Cymru/Social Farms and Gardens) (email sent 16/1/2025)**
 - j) Dyfed Powys Victims Service name consultation (victim support/CCC) (email sent 16/1/2025)**
 - k) Carmarthen Area Committee 22.1.25 (OVW) (email sent 16/1/2025)**
 - l) Area Committee Survey (OVW) (email sent 16/1/2025)**
 - m) Invitation: Evidence-Based Policing Conference 2025 (DPP) (email sent 16/1/2025)**
 - n) Llais Y Geodwig – Networking Day local to you (email sent 16/1/2025)**
 - o) LPIP Survey - Cambrian News (OVW) (email sent 16/1/2025)**
 - p) REQUEST FOR PROHIBITION OF WAITING AT ANY TIME AT THE JUNCTION OF CAEMAWR/BETWS ROAD, AMMANFORD (CCC) (email sent 27/1/2025)**
 - q) Unjumbling the Jargon (OVW) (email sent 31/1/2025)**
 - r) Can You help RVS volunteer drivers Carmarthenshire (OVW) (emails sent 31/1/2025)**
 - s) Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service (MAWWFRS) supports Register my Appliance week (CCC) (email sent 31/1/2025)**
 - t) Town & Community Councils Update (CCC) (email sent 31/1/2025)**
 - u) Online free Asbestos Awareness Training (OVW) (email sent 31/1/2025)**
 - v) One Voice Wales Annual General Meeting ONLINE 11-03-2025 (OVW) (email sent 31/1/2025)**

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- w) **WAITING RESTRICTION AND STREET PARKING PLACES (VARIATION NO. 41) – HTTR/1790 (CCC) (email sent 3/2/2025)**
 - x) **Shaping my work as Older People’s Commissioner – short questionnaire by phone 03442 640 670 (OVW) (email sent 4/2/2025)**
 - y) **Draft Green and Blue Infrastructure Strategy and Draft Allotment and Community Growing Strategy – Have your say – Survey ends 21 March 2025 (CCC) (email sent 5/2/2025)**
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- 10. **To discuss and update the Councillor Training Plan to be uploaded onto the website as per *Section 67 of the 2021 Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act* to meet the Council’s statutory obligation – Cllr Stacey to email documents to members for their comments (see point 10 of meeting 11/9/2024) – front sheet updated and on website**
 - 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)**
 - b) **Betws RFC – report to be given by Emyr Morgan**
 - c) **Annual Lease check for 2024/2025 to be completed – Karen and Emyr to complete in January 2025**
 - 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):**
 - a) **Recreation Ground Committee**
 - i) **Update on the audit of the signage for the 3 Recreation Areas –**
 - b) **Betws Park –**
 - i) **Update regarding Bins at Betws Park –**
 - ii) **Betws Park railings – Cllr Comley if any changes**
 - iii) **Missing trees from central avenue Betws park (Betws Park Volunteers) (email sent 13/1/2025)**
 - iv)
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- Correspondence received**
- i) **Drinking water fountain /&water supply for park (email sent to Cllrs 15/11/2024) - update from Cllr Stacey**
 - ii) **Brocken fence, trees, branches removed – email from Volunteer Group (email sent 16/1/2025)**
 - iii) **Pine trees above path riverside, opposite nature orchard area. – email from Volunteer Group (email sent 27/1/2025)**
 - iv) **Severe weather warnings for Carmarthenshire – email from Volunteer Group (email sent 27/1/2025)**

c) Maesquarre and Heol Y Felin Playground – update –

i) Annual Playground Inspection Reports – Cllrs Comely and Derrick to update- details in Rec Meeting minutes of 16 July 2024 – any recommendations

ii) MYB grant for Maesquarre Phase 2 and Sustainable Communities Fund

Round 4 – Update regarding phase 2 of the Maesquarre project and its installation - Cllr Phillips

v) Grass Play Field - Heol Y Felin (Adjacent to Betws Rugby Club) – goal nets – clerk will order in February and will be delivered to Cllr Derrick

Correspondence received

d) Finance and Staffing Committee – Cllr James

e) Community Engagement and Events Committee – Cllr

f) i) Toolkit working group - Good Councillor Guide to Employment 2023 to adopt?

As only noted in 14 June 2023 meeting at point 9a. – work in progress - to be re-visited once the new contracts and recreation ground management plan has been completed as per G and H below. To agree when this will be worked on
Cllr Stacey informed members that he has begun working on the Toolkit and he will email it round to members. He has a few queries to send to the clerk in due course. To be placed on the Agenda for the March meeting.

g) To consider the tender documents received from the contractors who have tendered for the maintenance contracts for the 3 Recreation Grounds in Betws

- Cllr Jones

Yours sincerely



Clerk to the Council