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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 January 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 December 2023
6. Dyfed Powys Police Monthly Crime Figures for Betws for November 2023 and link to for Councillors and Residents to access the figures.
[Betws | Police.uk \(www.police.uk\)](http://www.police.uk)
7. a) Payments/Invoices received
b) Donations –
Christmas Lights for Church and Chapel
8. Planning Applications –
The following applications were received:
PL/06965 New dwelling house including integral garage - Land Adjacent to 38 Colonel Road, Ammanford, SA18 2HP (email sent 18/12/2023)
The following applications were granted/refused/withdrawn: None to date
9. **Correspondence/Matters for Information/Action (emails sent out to members)**

- a) Cost Of Living Crisis Survey 2023 (email sent 18/12/2023) - instruction was for the clerk to complete which has been actioned.
 - b) Countryside Code update December 2023 - to NAFW (national access forum) (email sent 18/12/2023)
 - c) Cost-of-Living – Community and Town Council activity in Wales (email sent 18/12/2023)
 - d) PCC Bulletin from the Police and Crime Commissioner (email sent 18/12/2023)
 - e) Ammanford DEEP group for people with dementia (email sent 18/12/2023)
 - f) 2024 - TRAINING DATES BY MODULE - JANUARY, FEBRUARY & MARCH from OVW (email sent 18/12/2023)
 - g) FREE WEBINAR: Interactive self-guided tours for villages, towns and communities 25/01/24 – OVW/AT Creative (email sent 18/12/2023)
 - h) Examples of Biodiversity actions needed – OVW (email sent 3/1/2024)
 - i) Town & Community Councils Update – CCC (email sent 3/1/2024)
 - j) Older People’s Commissioner for Wales December Newsletter (email sent 3/1/2024)
 - k) Notification of Application for a Licence: coopers Arms, Betws, Rhydaman/Ammanford. (email sent 3/1/2024)
 - l) Guest blog: Working together for an Age-Friendly Wales – OVW (email sent 3/1/2024)
 - m) New consultation: Future spending purposes for dormant assets funding in Wales – OVW (email sent 3/1/2024)
 - n) Consultation: Fiscal Intergovernmental Relations – OVW (email sent 3/1/2024)
 - o) Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service Consultation Draft Service 2040 plan (email sent 3/1/2024)
 - p) Experimental Order - Carmarthenshire - Except Carmarthen/Llanelli and Ammanford - HTTR-1759 – CCC Waiting Restrictions (email sent 3/1/2024)
 - q) URGENT & REALLY IMPORTANT PLEASE - LAMP LIGHT OF PEACE – OVW (email sent 3/1/2024)
 - r) 2024 - TRAINING DATES BY MODULE - JANUARY, FEBRUARY & MARCH – OVW (email sent 3/1/2024)
 - s) Communication about digital training for distribution – OVW (email sent 3/1/2024)
 - t) Betws Mountain sign installed – County Councillor B Jones (email sent 4/1/2024)
10. To approve the report from the Betws RFC annual lease check carried out by both Councillor McMinn-Davies who did the document check and visual checks carried out by Councillor Stacey. 2023 check to be actioned in January 2024 as agreed in a previous meeting.
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
- b) **Maesquarre and Heol Y Felin Playground –** update – Cllr Phillips
 - i) Annual Playground Inspection Reports – not covered in December meeting – Cllr Phillips
- c) **Finance and Staffing Committee –** Cllr James
- d) **Community Engagement and Events Committee –** Evaluation of Community Engagement Surgeries - January 2024 – Cllr Allchurch
- e) **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
- f) **New Contracts for 1 April 2024 working group –** update – ref playground and grounds maintenance contracts - Cllr Phillips/Jones

Yours sincerely



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