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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 9th July 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.
 - a) Apologies and Vacancies (to be given to the Clerk prior to the meeting)
 - b) Declaration of Acceptance of Office of New Councillor
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 Annual Meeting and Monthly Meeting held on 11th June 2025
6. Dyfed Powys Police Monthly Crime Figures for Betws for May 2025 and link for Councillors and Residents to access the figures.
[Betws | Police.uk \(www.police.uk\)](http://Betws | Police.uk (www.police.uk))
7.
 - a) Payments/Invoices received
 - b) Donation Requests –
 - c) Audit – External Audit
 - e) To approve the changes to the New Financial Regulations
8. Planning Applications –

The following applications were received:

PL/09517 - Conversion of a Former Pub, Restaurant and Inn to a Residential Dwelling - Scotch Pine, Betws, Ammanford, SA18 2PL – Consultation 26/6/2025 – 17/7/2025 (email sent 27/6/2025)

The following applications were granted/refused/withdrawn: None

- 9. Correspondence/Matters for Information/Action (email sent out to members)**
 - a) **Allotment and Community Growing Grant (CommunityBureau, CCC) (email sent 18/6/2025)**
 - b) **IMPACT - Llais monthly newsletter (email sent 18/6/2025)**
 - c) **Llais y Goedwig's The Gathering 2025 at Penlleagaer Valley woods Swansea and Wild Spirit woods, Bridgend (OVW) (email sent 18/6/2025)**
 - d) **REMINDER Innovative Practice Conference – Wednesday 2 July 2025 (OVW) (email sent 18/6/2025)**
 - e) **Re: Missin bin / dropped curbs (email from resident) (email sent 18/6/2025)**
 - f) **FW: FREE All Wales Training (CCC) (email sent 18/6/2025)**
 - g) **Invitation to Ammanford Town Council Inauguration – 4th July 2025 (email sent to the Chair 18/6/2025)**
 - h) **Mayors and Chairs Networking (email sent to the Chair and Vice Chair 18/6/2025)**
 - i) **Treforis - Youth ASB Issues (email from Anti-Social Behaviour Community Warden, CCC) (email sent 18/6/2025 + 26/6/2025)**
 - j) **Updated Practice Development Notes (OVW) (email sent 20/6/2025)**
 - k) **Amman Valley Hospital League of Friends (email sent 20/6/2025)**
 - l) **Carmarthenshire Area Committee Meeting 1st July (OVW) (email sent to Dave and Carwyn who are representatives)**
 - m) **One Voice Wales E Bulletin - Issue 5 (email sent 20/6/2025)**
 - n) **Consolidation of Planning Law in Wales - Publication of Draft Planning (Wales) Bill (OVW) (email sent 24/6/2025)**
 - o) **FW: 🌸 🌸 Event Celtic Wildflowers Tour 8.7.25 (OVW) (email sent 24/6/2025)**
 - p) **REMINDER Innovative Practice Conference – Wednesday 2 July 2025 (OVW) (email sent 24/6/2025)**
 - q) **IMPORTANT One Voice Wales Constitution and Governance Framework (email sent 26/6/2025)**
 - r) **Meadow Street community garden Visit 7.7.25 (OVW) (email sent 26/6/2025 + 1/7/2025)**
 - s) **Denbighshire Tree Nursery Tour 10.7.25 (OVW) (email sent 26/6/2025)**
 - t) **Diolch From Military Veterans Club Cymru (email sent 27/6/2025)**
 - u) **Scoping Youth Provision- National Youth Agency Census (OPCC DPP) (email sent 27/6/2025)**
 - v) **Town & Community Councils Update (CCC) (email sent 30/6/2025)**
 - w) **Child Poverty Strategy for Wales – Lived Experience Engagement Exercise (OVW) (email sent 30/6/2025)**
 - x) **Assistance to understand active travel in rural Wales (email sent 1/7/2025)**
 - y) **Overhanging trees etc. (County Councillor Betsan Jones) (email sent 2/7/2025)**
- 10. 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)**
- 11. Exempt Matters –**

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- a) Betws RFC and Land issue at Heol Y Felin (if any correspondence received)
Response received regarding both issues (email sent 7/5/2025 + draft to Dave 20/6/2025)
 - b) Betws RFC – (if any correspondence received)
 - c) **Annual Lease check for 2024/2025 to be completed** – Dave and Emyr completed on Saturday 15 February 2025. To Do - Dave - Report required to be sent to the Clerk and Insurance to check. Issues lift certificate required for the 6 monthly checks and emergency exit stairs need repair 2/3rds of the way up.
- 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
 - b) Betws Park –
 - i) Update - Betws Park railings – Cllr Comley if any changes –
 - ii) Update – Simple Metal structure in Nature area (email sent 19/2/2025) reply regarding its construction (email sent 19/3/2025, 21/3/2025)(4/4/2025) (12/4/2025)
 - iii) Update - Missing trees from central avenue Betws park/ (Betws Park Volunteers)(email sent 13/1/2025) – emailed Stephen Edwards/Paul Cleaver 13/2/2025. Room for 2 trees but not where old trees were type TBC as wet Area. Types of Trees (see email sent 2/4/2025) email sent to Hilliers 22/4/2025. Reply received (email sent 7/5/2025, 25/6/2025, 26/6/2025) – Cllr Jones
 - iv) Update – Request 10ft long x 8ft wide x 7ft high container at nature area – Volunteer Group (email sent 18/3/2025) Permission being sought from CCC various emails (1/4/2025) and (12/4/2025, 16/4/2025, 22/4/2025, 24/4/2025) and (13/5/2025, 19/5/2025, 20/5/2025, 23/5/2025, 2/6/2025, 3/6/2025, 4/6/2025, 18/6/2025)
 - v) Update regarding site meeting 16/6/2025 regarding the Betws Park Information board (seen previously under correspondence Fw: 250514 - Sign enquiry | Betws Park Information board (email sent 23/5/2025)

Correspondence received

- 1. Memorial Bench & Tree Ceremony Betws Park - The late WW2 Veteran Neville Bowen (email sent 20/5/2025, 23/5/2025)
- 2. Email from Volunteers regarding Simple Shelter and Shipping Container for Betws Park nature garden (2/6/2025, 3/6/2025, 18/6/2025)

- c) Maesquarre and Heol Y Felin Playground – update –
 - i) Fortnightly Playground Inspection Reports – Cllrs Comely and Derrick to commence from 1st April 2025 as contractor has retired – Feedback from Councillors regarding their first fortnightly checks – to be forwarded to the clerk each time by email to the clerk – May and June checks required
 - ii) Update on Inclusive Roundabout – issues with installation (emails sent 2/6/2025, 3/6/2025, 17/6/2025)

Correspondence received

- i) **RE: Inclusive Roundabout installation defects (Sutcliffe Play) (email sent 18/6/2025)**
- ii) **Re: Quote for clumps of traditional daffodils at Heol Y Felin Green area (email sent 18/6/2025)**
- d) **Finance and Staffing Committee** – Cllr James
- e) **Community Engagement and Events Committee** – chair TBC next meeting 2/9/2025
- f) **i) Toolkit working group** - work in progress - 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 a future meeting due to other commitments.

Yours sincerely



Clerk to the Council