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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 14th May 2025 at 7:30pm.

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 and Vacancy
(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 9th April 2025
6. Dyfed Powys Police Monthly Crime Figures for Betws for March 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 –
 1. **Carmarthen Shopmobility Caerfyrddin Request for Financial Support**
 2. **Amman Valley Hospital League of Friends - Ffrindiau Ysbyty Dyffryn Aman**
 - c) Qtr 4 EOY finance figures
 - d) Audit – Annual return for year ended 31 March 2025 and Annual Governance Statement to agree and complete
 - e) To review the Annual rent payment for Betws RFC

8. Planning Applications –

The following applications were received:

PL/09203 - Conversion of outbuilding, single storey side extension and external alterations to facilitate the change of use of the building to 4 short term holiday lets (Resubmission of PL/08211) - Plough And Harrow, 52 Betws Road, Ammanford, SA18 2HE – Consultation date 16/4/2025 – 7/5/2025.

The following applications were granted/refused/withdrawn: None received

9. Correspondence/Matters for Information/Action (email sent out to members)

- a) **Ammanford Foodbank Survey and Architects sketch of new building - Final chance to share your thoughts.(email sent 22/4/2025)**
- b) **Booking now open for Compassionate Communities in Wales event – Thursday 8 May 2025 (OVW) (email sent 22/4/2025)**
- c) **IMPACT - Llais monthly newsletter (email sent 22/4/2025)**
- d) **Funding Opportunity - Welsh Government Democratic Engagement Grant (CCC) (email sent 22/4/2025)**
- e) **TRAINING DATES - APRIL - JUNE 2025 (OVW) (email sent 22/4/2025)**
- f) **Jim Griffiths MP Memorial Event (email sent 22/4/2025)**
- g) **Independent Audit Committee Member Sought (OVW) (email sent 22/4/2025)**
- h) **Can you help? Welsh Government Consultation on Managing and Designing Gypsy and Traveller sites contact Gypsy and Travellers Wales 02920214411 or Travelling Ahead 08088020025 if you wish to take part of go to [Updated guidance for designing Gypsy and Traveller sites \[HTML\] | GOV.WALES](#) by 19th May 2025 (email sent 22/4/2025)**
- i) **One Voice Wales E-Bulletin (email sent 22/4/2025)**
- j) **VE80 Celebrations (RBL) (email sent 22/4/2025)**
- k) **Carmarthenshire Area Committee meeting 14.4.25 (OVW) (email sent 30/4/2025)**
- l) **Admissions Forum Membership (CCC) (email sent 30/4/2025)**
- m) **Invitation - Biodiversity Pilot Group (OVW) (email sent 30/4/2025)**
- n) **TRAINING DATES - APRIL - JUNE 2025 (OVW) (email sent 30/4/2025)**
- o) **Revised Financial Regulations 2025 (OVW) (email sent 7/5/2025)**
- p) **E Bulletin (OVW) (email sent 7/5/2025)**
- q) ***Keep Wales Tidy* (OVW) (email sent 7/5/2025)**
- r) **FW: Applications Now Open - National Windrush Day 2025 (CCC) (email sent 7/5/2025)**
- s) **Heart of Wales railway work reminder - Llanwrtyd and Pantyffynnon (email sent 7/5/2025)**
- t) **VE Day 80 - 2 minute silence on 8 May (OVW) (email sent 7/5/2025)**
- u) **Press Release National Awards Conference 2025 (OVW) (email sent 8/5/2025)**
- v) **DBCC - Electoral Review Programme 2025 (ERP 2025) (email sent 8/5/2025)**

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)
 - b) Betws RFC – report to be given by Emyr Morgan
 - c) Annual Lease check for 2024/2025 to be completed – Dave and Emyr to completed on Saturday 15 February 2025. To Do - Report required to be sent to the Clerk and Insurance to check.
- 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 and 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)
 - 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)

Correspondence received

1. Thank you email from Betws Park Volunteers re VE day celebration in Betws Park on Monday 5th May (email sent 7/5/2025)

- 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 – not received to date
 - ii) MYB grant for Maesquarre Phase 2 and Sustainable Communities Fund Round 4 – Update regarding phase 2 of the Maesquarre project and project closure outputs document - Cllr Phillips/Cllr Stacey to send £1900 invoice and bank statement to Caroline once Eamonn completed grass mats and handles for new tema unit.
 - iii) Grass Play Field - Heol Y Felin (Adjacent to Betws Rugby Club) – goal nets – Delivered to Cllr Derrick – installation completed.
 - v) Update on newly designed Castle/Tema unit slide (part of Phase 2 Sustainable Communities Fund) - installation completed.

Correspondence received

- i) Final inspections from Parks and Play for both playgrounds (email sent 25/4/2025)
- ii) Goal Posts in Heol Y Felin email from resident (email sent 30/4/2025)
- d) Finance and Staffing Committee – Cllr James
- e) Community Engagement and Events Committee – Cllr Allchurch BH Monday 5th May VE Day Event organized by Betws Park Volunteers - Feedback
- f) i) Toolkit working group - work in progress - to be re-visited once the new contracts and recreation ground management plan has been completed.
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. Cllr Stacey pushed to a future meeting due to other commitments.

Yours sincerely



Clerk to the Council