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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 11th October 2023 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 (to be given to the Clerk prior to the meeting)
3. To receive disclosures 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 September 2023 and the Annual Meeting minutes of 10 May 2023 (waiting for chair to update on his report)
6. Dyfed Powys Police Monthly Crime Figures for Betws for August 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 –
c) i) Urdd – awaiting bank balances
ii) Ammanford Junior Netball Team - awaiting bank balances
d) Audit Completion for 2022/2023 (email sent 27/9/2023)
8. Planning Applications –

The following applications were received: None to date

The following applications were granted/refused/withdrawn:

PL/06252 for 2 Ffordd Y Glowyr, Betws SA182FG Discharge of Condition 8 on E/39168 (equipment control) the discharge was granted on 4/9/2023.

PL/06036 for Swn Yr Adar, Colonel Road, Betws SA18 2HR householder planning application for a single storey extension to dwelling and first floor to replace existing timber veranda/decking structure. This was granted 6/9/2023.

PL/06357 for 34 Ffordd Y Betws, Betws SA18 2HE Removal/Variation of condition 2 on PL/03617 (additional design alterations) were refused on 11/9/2023.

- 9. Correspondence/Matters for Information/Action (emails sent out to members)**
- a) Lessons Learned Boundaries Commission Questionnaire (email sent 22/9/2023)**
 - b) Pethau Bychain Next event 27 Sept 2023 – for a green network for Town and Community Councils (email sent 22/9/2023)**
 - c) The Welsh Ombudsman's public consultation: Our Equality Plan 2023-2026 (email sent 22/9/2023)**
 - d) Motions for One Voice Wales AGM 2023 – 30/9/2023 (email sent 22/9/2023)**
 - e) Public Convenience Strategy for Carmarthenshire Consultation (email sent 22/9/2023)**
 - f) Welsh Revenue Authority newsletter (email sent 22/9/2023)**
 - g) HWB Presentation from T&C Liaison Meeting 14/9/2023 (email sent 22/9/2023)**
 - h) Town and Community Council 20mph update (email sent 22/9/2023)**
 - i) Councils - Connect your community to the Slow Ways national walking network (email sent 22/9/2023)**
 - j) More free financial awareness training in Wales (email sent 22/9/2023)**
 - k) One Voice Wales Newsletter No.1 (email sent 22/9/2023)**
 - l) World Alzheimer's Day in Carmarthenshire (email sent 22/9/2023)**
 - j) White Ribbon Event Ammanford Pensioners Hall 23rd November 2023 (email sent 26/9/2023)**
 - k) DPSC-207 Code of Conduct Training for Town and Community Councillors from Carmarthenshire County Council (email sent 26/9/2023)**
 - l) Consultation: Scrutiny of the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2024-25 - ends 30 November 2023 (email sent 26/9/2023)**
 - m) VR sessions St Clears and Llanelli for unpaid carers. We will be moving around the county withing the next 6 months. If you do have anyone interested in an area of Carmarthenshire please let us know and we can see if we can do a session near them.(email sent 26/9/2023)**
 - n) OVW - SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER 2023 TRAINING DATES (email sent 26/9/2023)**
 - o) Electrical Safety Fund Opening – 2023 – deadline 22 October 2023 (email sent 28/9/2023)**
 - p) Autumn Update | Ammanford Foodbank & Help Centre (email sent 28/9/2023)**
 - q) Carmarthenshire County Council's Town & Community Councils update (email sent 28/9/2023)**
 - r) Audit Wales September newsletter (email sent 3/10/2023) including Audit Wales Report regarding Failures in financial management and governance – Ammanford Town Council and Llanferres Community Council – Procurement arrangements**
 - s) PCC Bulletin (police and crime commissioner) (email sent 3/10/2023)**
 - t) Bevan Commission: engagement events Health and Social Care Services in Wales. (email sent 5/10/2023)**

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- u) **ONE VOICE WALES & D-DAY 80 - 6TH JUNE 2024 (email sent 5/10/2023)**
 - v) **Versus Arthritis** - INSPIRE magazine is available to view free of charge online Free digital copy - [Inspire magazine - Versus Arthritis magazine](#) Paper copy – regular supporter with welcome pack action.versusarthritis.org/page/131534/donate/1 (email sent 5/10/2023)
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.**
 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 point 14, 15 and 3.11.3 on lease and letter attached from Betws RFC and email from Peter Comley in his capacity as Secretary of Betws RFC. Reply from Solicitor regarding the Land Issue and Betws RFC lease (as per June Meeting) – waiting for application from Betws RFC requesting approval for the changes made previously – letter in from Lluscennan forwarded to Dave 25/7/2023 with extract of the email I sent to them – email sent ref next steps from meeting held on 13/9/2023 – reply received from Lluscennan 21/9/2023 (email sent 22/9/2023)**
 - b) **Peter Comley Dispensation application – waiting for his application to go to CCC Standards Committee**
 13. **To discuss and update the Council Training Plan as per point 13 of the minutes of the meeting held on 12 July 2023.**
 14. **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 – update – Cllr Phillips**
 - Betws Park –
 - i) **Community Land Advisory Service (CLAS) Community Management Award 2024/Social Farms and Gardens has been awarded to the new nature area at Betws Park/Friends of Betws Volunteers (email sent 22/9/2023)**
 - ii) **Update regarding painting of Betws Park railings and request by Volunteer group ref Community Payback team painting lanterns on Pentwyn Road entrance steps – Councillor Peter Comley**
 - b) **Maesquarre and Heol Y Felin Playground – update –**
 - i) **Annual Inspection Report costings for high and moderate risk issues highlighted for Playgrounds (email sent 22/9/2022) waiting for full reports from CCC.**
 - ii) **Correspondence ref MYB grant application for playgrounds.(emails sent 5/10/2023)**
 - c) **Finance and Staffing Committee –**
 - d) **Defibrillator Project – update from Cllrs Comley/Picouto**
 - e) **Community Engagement and Events Committee – Remembrance Service/Christmas Tree for 2023**
 - f) **Toolkit working group -**

Yours sincerely



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