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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 October 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)
 - a) To consider a request from Councillor Allchurch to step back from public duties for 3 months.
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 11th September 2024
6. Dyfed Powys Police Monthly Crime Figures for Betws for August 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) request from Glo Man to enable them to publish 10 copies of the magazine between October 2024 – July 2025 (email sent 16/9/2024)
 - ii) Our time.. we are asking for help (Dyfed-Powys Neighbourhood Watch) (email sent 19/9/2024)
 - iii) Urdd Gobaith Cymru – (email sent 25/9/2024)

8. Planning Applications –

The following applications were received:

PL/08246 - Construction of double domestic garage at 2 Y Felin, Betws, Ammanford, SA18 2HN
Consultation date 19/9/2024 – 10/10/2024 (email sent to Cllrs 20/9/2024)

PL/08290 - Variation of Condition 6 on P6/19992/92 (agricultural occupancy condition) at Mwstwr Y Coed, Maerdy Road, Betws, Ammanford, SA18 2RD Consultation date 1/10/2024 – 22/10/2024 (email sent to Cllrs 2/10/2024)

The following applications were granted/refused/withdrawn:

PL/07415 - Construction of two detached double storey residential properties with attached garage, and associated driveway, parking and turning area at Plots on Maesquarre Road, Betws, Ammanford, SA18 2EY – Outline refusal on 16/9/2024

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

- a) **PLANED Information network (email sent 16/9/2024)**
- b) **Carmarthenshire State of Nature Report (OVW) (email sent 16/9/2024)**
- c) **One Voice Wales Annual Membership infographic (email sent 16/9/2024)**
- d) **Carmarthenshire Dementia Community Coalition Funding (CCC) (email sent 16/9/2024)**
- e) **IMPACT - Llais monthly newsletter - health and social care (email sent 16/9/2024)**
- f) **Practice Development Note 8 Code of Conduct: Members and Officers (OVW) (email sent 16/9/2024)**
- g) **Update: 'Martyn's Law' Bill Now Progressing (email sent 19/9/2024)**
- h) **Notice of Conclusion of Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places (CCC) (email sent 19/9/2024)**
- i) **FW: Art Exhibition Cartref Cynnes (CCC) (email sent 19/9/2024)**
- j) **FW: Please take part in our annual (short!) consultation (CCC) (email sent 19/9/2024)**
- k) **Infrastructure (Wales) Act 2024 - Publication of consultation paper (OVW) (email sent 23/9/2024)**
- l) **Free Cookery Session with Welsh Refugee Council (Ammanford Foodbank) (email sent 23/9/2024)**
- m) **Application for road closure C2141 Tirycoed road (One.Network: 140401390) Friday 18th October 2024 for 1 day (CCC) (email sent 25/9/2024)**
- n) **Consultation: Scrutiny of the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2025-26 (email sent 25/9/2024)**
- o) **Crimestoppers County Lines Campaign (CCC) (email sent 25/9/2024)**
- p) **Carmarthen Area Committee 7.10.24 (OVW) (email sent 25/9/2024)**
- q) **FW: Bryn Celyn Produce, Ammanford - October 24 Menu & Christmas Specials (CCC) (email sent 25/9/2024) + Christmas Dinner Christmas dinner is for collection or delivery only on 24th December 2024. Delivery within a 6-mile radius or a small charge applies. Two courses, either a starter and a main OR a main and a dessert - £25.00 per person All three courses - £30.00 per person. All you need to do is thoroughly heat up your meal and enjoy! A £10.00 deposit is required to secure a slot. (email sent 2/10/2024)**
- r) **Board to discuss temporary overnight closure of Minor Injury Unit to protect patient safety - Minor Injury Unit at Prince Philip Hospital changing from 24 hour to 12-hour daytime service (HywelDda) (email sent 25/9/2024)**

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- s) Online Hate Webinar 9 October 10am - 12pm (CCC) (email sent 25/9/2024)
 - t) News from the Cost-of-Living Crisis Support Team (OVW) (email sent 25/9/2024)
 - u) Invitation to Online Police and Crime Plan Consultation - 1st October (DPP) (email sent 27/9/2024)
 - v) Hate Crime Awareness Week 2024 (CCC) (email sent 27/9/2024)
 - w) Mentrau Iaith – Gwreiddiau Gwyllt/Wild Roots (OVW) (email sent 27/9/2024)
 - x) Historic Environment (Wales) Act 2023 – for the protection and management of our unique historic environment (CADW)(gov.wales)(email sent 27/9/2024)
 - y) Help to achieve a Guinness World Record – Restart the Heart month (OVW) (email sent 30/9/2024)
 - z) Invitation to Online Police and Crime Plan Consultation - 1st October (email sent 30/9/2024)
 - aa) Town & Community Councils Update (CCC) (email sent 30/9/2024)
 - bb) Invitation to Carmarthenshire Carers Forum County Wide Event at The Plough, Rhosmaen Thursday, 24th October (CCC) (email sent 2/10/2024)
 - cc) Consultation and Stakeholder Event Looking at the Role, Governance and Accountability of the Welsh Town and Community Council Sector (SLCC) (email sent 2/10/2024)
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)
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 Chris Morgan
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 – minutes to be received by the clerk for the meeting which was held on 16 July 2024 – Cllr Stacey
 - b) Betws Park –
 - i) Update – Cllr Phillips/Stacey
Correspondence received
 - a) Contract extension, 20ft Xmas Tree, prices for a rooted Christmas Tree to be planted in March 2025, Daffodils for drifts in Maesquarre purchase and planting and brambles to be cut back on Pentwyn Road (email sent 16/9/2024)
 - b) Apply now for a FREE Community Orchard Package (OVW) (email sent 16/9/2024)
 - c) Emails regarding damage to Pentwyn Steps (emails sent 19/9/2024)

- d) **Strategy meeting for the Local Places for Nature Showcase Event at Y Senedd. (OVW) (email sent 23/9/2024)**
 - e) **Emails regarding moped being ridden in Betws Park Thursday 19/9/24 between 17:30 and 18:30 (emails sent 23/9/2024)**
 - f) **Various emails from Volunteer Group**
 - g) **Christmas Tree (email sent 27/9/2024)**
 - h) **Heno S4C - Filming at Betws Park (email sent 30/9/2024)**
- ii) Betws Park railings – Cllr Comley if any changes.
- 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.**
 - ii) **New cradle swings ? installed – waiting for swings to be replaced by Cllr Derrick prior to contractor being able to attach new cradles. New chains to be kept for future repairs.**
 - iii) **Feedback from Cllrs Derrick regarding the Castle/Tema unit repairs – parts ordered waiting for delivery and installation.**
 - iv) **MYB grant for Maesquarre Phase 2 and Sustainable Communities Fund Round 4 – Cllr Phillips**
 - v) **Rynat Certificates update ref training for 2 Councillors in April 2024 (email sent 30/8/2024)**

Correspondence received

- a) **Children’s park next to Ffordd Y Glowyr estate (email sent 16/9/2024)**
 - b) **Grass Play Field - Heol Y Felin (Adjacent to Betws Rugby Club) – goal nets (email sent 25/9/2024)**
- d) **Finance and Staffing Committee – Cllr James**
 - e) **Community Engagement and Events Committee – Cllr Allchurch – Remembrance and Christmas Lighting event**
 - 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 F and G below.**
 - g) **New Contracts for 1 April 2024 working group – update – ref playground and grounds maintenance contracts - Cllr Phillips/Jones/Stacey – waiting for documents to be shared by Cllr Stacey with members for their comments prior to approval.**
 - h) **Draft documents for the new contracts to be approved by council to enable to the clerk to send out the documents to the 3 companies who have given their expressions of interest regarding F and G – Cllr Jones/Stacey**

Yours sincerely



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