**MINUTES OF THE ARGOED COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 3rd OF NOVEMBER 2015 AT 7.00P.M. AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, MERCIA DRIVE, MYNYDD ISA.**

**PRESENT:**

Councillor R Marsh (Chair) Councillor D Jenkins

Councillor J Holiday. Councillor H McGuill,

Councillor F Hadfield-Jones Councillor C L W Bull

Councillor A Hayward-Baker Councillor J McCarron

Councillor W J Taylor Councillor J Norwood

**In attendance:**

Mr R Hampson-Jones (Clerk)

PCSO C3628 M Lynch. PCSO C3461 P Hadfield-Jones

**1.070/15 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

The following apologies were received: Councillor P M Jones, Councillor M Jones

**Absent:** Councillor B Bragg

 **2.071/15 Use of recording Equipment**

The Chair asked that all recording equipment and mobile phones to be switched off with the exception of the recording equipment used by the Clerk

**3.072/15 Standing Orders & Declarations of Interest.**

 None

**4.073/15 Co-Option of Members**

 None

**5.074/15 North wales Police Update.**

Community Support Officers Lynch and Hadfield –Jones presented an update to Council and suggested a quarterly visited and a monthly report to the Clerk.

. A member raised the possibility of having a speed watch scheme in the area as Park Avenue is used as a rat-run and at Mold road and outside Argoed School is bad. The officers stated that the Police would not act unless reported and sending a number plate to the Police does not warrant an action. The member replied that a visual presence would benefit the community. The officers replied that data needs to be captured before action and that it should be borne in mind that Support Officers cannot issue tickets.

The member for South Ward suggested that PCSO’s visit Wat’s Dyke Avenue at pickup and drop off times at the school as persistent complaints are received by the Council regarding the behaviour of parents at these times. It was suggested that staggered times should be considered at the school, a meeting with parents, more foot patrols by Police are to be encouraged.

The Officers left the meeting.

**6.075/15 Financial Matters**

**Accounts for Payments OCTOBER**

 £

Flintshire CC April/May/June 2150.52 Paid

Luke Bros Summer Plants 617.16 Paid

NWAMWAOLC Subs and lunches 95.00 Paid

BT October invoice 71.26 Paid

Flintshire CC July/Aug/Sept 1831.42

Jameya Haque Web Maintenance 500.00

The Warrener Pest Control Moles 70.00

Redbud Ltd Community Contract £ 720.00 additional work £ 24.00 744.00

 Total for October **6079.36**

**Resolved: The above payments were authorised and signed by Chair and Vice Chair**

**Salary Costs** were presented to council in the information pack for information only.

**7.076/15 To approve the minutes of the Council meeting held on 6th October 2015**

**Resolved: Minutes were approved and accepted by the Council.**

**8. 077/15Chairman’s Report**

**Matters since last meeting**

1. No Information has been received from MIFFY regarding the transfer of assets from Y Bonc Park to Mold Recreations.

**Resolved: Clerk should contact solicitors in Mold who have the transfer of deeds.**

1. The Clerk has received papers for opening the bank account for Mold Recreation Grounds.
2. The leisure services have been notified to progress the Heol Fammau development.

**Resolved: The Clerk to notify the department that a “Witches hat” is to be installed.**

1. Two wreaths have been received for poppy day.

**Resolved:Cllr McGuill will attend Buckley on behalf of Council and the Chair will attend New Brighton due to changes of services.**

1. Two trees have been ordered for week ending 28th of November
2. The Clerk has been busy this month with providing North wales Police with footage from CCTV relating to two offences.
3. The metal basket tree has been ordered by the Clerk and is scheduled to be delivered in April next

year and a new sign for Bryn Y Baal Quarry has also been ordered to be delivered before Christmas.

**Resolved:The Clerk is to arrange delivery of Metal for April 2016**

1. The New Bus stop for Bryn Y Baal is on order and should installed in the next month.
2. Additional snow clearing kit has been supplied for the Rockcliffe estate
3. The Clerk and Cllr Mcguill attended the County Forum Meeting in GwernY Mynydd
4. Councillors Taylor and Holiday with the Clerk attend the meeting of the NWAMWAOLC
5. Several complaints have been received through the web page regarding the closure of Bryn Road Bryn Y Baal. The Clerk requested a reason from Stephen O. jones of street scene but none was forthcoming. However Mr Barr of Park Avenue visited the Clerk and advised him that Mr Barr whose profession is health and safety had suggested to the County Council to close the road on safety grounds there was a high risk of an accident occurring having a one way system.
6. Mr Barr has complained about the gate at Wats Dyke Park and the banging noises he has put on noise protection but it does not work. He has requested also that the same gate should be a disabled gate.

**Resolved: to be on agenda for consideration in next year’s budget.**

1. A member submitted a complaint about holes in Wats Dyke Park Redbud has filled them in.
2. Four members are attending the Financial Challenge meeting on the 16th of November

**Correspondence**

North Wales Police CCTV Request Actioned

Flintshire CC Winter Preparation Actioned

Independent remuneration Panel Changes 2016/7 Respond by 30/11

Billy Kemp Park Benches in Wats Dyke Park

 And path around park Reponse reqd

**Resolved: To be reviewed at budget meeting in January**

Welsh Assembly Consultation Ombudsman Forwarded

Welsh Assembly Green Paper –Health care in Wales Forwarded

Flintshire CC Standards Committee

Sheila Petrie dog walking area requests support Received

Cllr McGuill Feasibility of Community transfer

 Mynydd Isa Library Received

**Resolved: that the Clerk should contact other community libraries in the area.**

North Wales Police Attendance at meeting Received

**9.078/15 Expression of Interest in Community Assets**

 The subject was discussed under correspondence

**10.79/15 Notice of Motion**

**The Council to consider Residents’ Parking only in Wat’s Dyke Avenue. Councillor Mc Guill**

This with matter was discussed with North Wales Police during their updat

**11.078/15 Planning Outstanding Items**

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| **Application ref:** | **54393** | **053208** |  |
| **Application date** | 21/10/2015 | 17/02/2015 |  |
| **Location** | The Haven, 60 Chambers Lane, Mynydd Isa | Land at Issa Farm |  |
|  |  | Mynydd Isa |  |
| **Development** | Erection of extension to rear of dwelling  | Erection of 59 dwellings, |  |
| **Council's Decision** |  |  |  |
|  Closing Date | 11/11/2015 | 10/03/2015 |  |
| **Council's Comments** | No Objection | Objection  |  |
| **FCC Decision**  |  |  Refused |  |
| **BY:** |  | Committee  |  |
| **Date** |  |  20/10/2015 |  |
| **Application ref:** | 054363 | **054198** |  |
| **Application date** | 08/10/2015 |  |  |
| **Location** | 10 Carton Road, Mynydd Isa, | Rock Bank New Brighton |  |
| **Development** | Erection of single storey rear extension  | Display of 2no. temporary stacker sign |  |
| **Council's Decision** | No Objection |  |  |
|  Closing Date |  | 25/09/2015 |  |
| **Council's Comments** |  |  |  |
| **FCC Decision**  |  |  |  |
| **BY:** |  |  |  |
| **Date** | Target 20/11/2015 |  13/10/2015 |  |
| **Application ref:** | **054209** | **54226** |  |
| **Application date** |  |  |  |
| **Location** | Rose & Crown New Brighton | 154 Mold Road Mynydd Isa. |  |
| **Development** | Conversion of public house into 2no. dwellings  | Erection of 3No. detached dwellings and access road. |  |
| **Council's Decision** |  |  |  |
|  Closing Date | 02/10/2015 | 07/10/2015 |  |
| **Council's Comments** |  |  |  |
| **FCC Decision**  |  Refused |  |  |
| **BY:** |  Delegated officer |  |  |
| **Date** | 27/10/2015 | Target 23/10/2015 |  |
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Planning application 054226

154 Mold Road Erection of 3 detached dwellings and access road

Argoed community council objects to this development for the following reasons:

1. It does not comply with the rule that the access road needs to be at least 25 ft wide.

2. Pavements in front of the area should be at least 1.8m wide

3.It should be noted that the council has objected to this development on two previous occasions

Planning applications 040645 and 044588 where the applications were refused but allowed on appeal.The council still stands by its objections of the other two times.

The concern of the council is that they see no point in consultation if local views are ignored at appeal.

The Clerk informed the Council that a new name for the 13 houses in New Brighton would be

Oakfield Close/Clos Cae’r Dderwen he suggested having consulted other Welsh speakers in the area that the

Welsh should b Clos Maes Y Dderwen. The Council agreed to suggest the change.

**12.0079/15 Representatives Reports**

**13.080/15 Committees and Groups Report**

The minutes for the amenities committee for the 21st of October are attached. The Chair recommended that no further action should be taken at Y Bonc until the ownership is resolved.

**Resolved: The council agreed with the recommendation and asked the Clerk to Contact solicitors regarding deeds of transfer.**

**Web Group**

The chair of the web group stated that the web had had 430 hits.

**Meeting ended 8.42pm**

**NEXT Meeting 1st December 2015**

**Minutes of Amenities Committee held on Wednesday at 6.00 pm 21st October 2015 at the Community Centre Mercia Square, Mynydd Isa.**

PRESENT.

**Committee Members:** Cllr R W Marsh, Cllr Taylor, Cllr Norwood

 Cllr D Jenkins Cllr C Bull

**In attendance:** Clerk Rhodri Hampson-Jones and

**Apologies**: Cllr McGuill, Redbud Ltd

**Absent: None**

**Declaration of interests:** None

**Recording of Minutes:** Committee members were advised that the minutes were not being recorded.

**Redbud Contract review:**

The members discussed the contract and wanted to continue in its present state but the emphasis should be more on maintaining plants than litter picking. The Council should look into using volunteers in the community to do the litter picking.

Planting out for the winter will not be done this year as the budget is spent however Daffodil and Tulip Bulbs should be purchased so that there is a display in early part of the year.

**Recommendation:** **To suspend winter planting for this year and to purchase bulbs up to £100**

**Bryn Y Baal Quarry**

The Clerk received a quote of £95 for the A4 sign and showed the wording to the committee.

**Recommendation: The Clerk is to proceed with the sign.**

The Grass Cutting has been carried out at the quarry the Charge of £50 will be paid in November.

**Hanging basket Tree** the members were advised that the tree will be ordered as agreed by council for delivery in the first week in April as it won’t be needed until then and will be part of next year’s budget.

Before the design is agreed a representative of Abbey Metals will need to have a site visit to determine the base.

**Transfer of assets Update**

The Council has received a reply regarding the transfer of assets where FCC takes over our lighting and Argoed takes over the maintenance of the parks and green spaces.

**Parks update**

It was confirmed that match funding had been received for Heol Fammau park

**Recommendation: The equipment should be suitable for 8-10 years ol.**

**Next Meeting: 11th November**

**Meeting Terminated: 6.55 pm**