**MINUTES OF THE ARGOED COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 6th DECEMBER 2016 AT 7 P.M. AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, MERCIA DRIVE, MYNYDD ISA.**

**PRESENT:**

Councillor M Jones Councillor J Holiday.

Councillor W J Taylor (Chair) Councillor A Hayward-Baker

Councillor J McCarron Councillor F Hadfield-Jones

Councillor C L W Bull Councillor D Jenkins

Councillor R Marsh Councillor J Norwood

Councillor A Henry Councillor B Clarke

**In attendance:**

Mr R Hampson-Jones (Clerk)

**1.083/16 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

The following apologies were received: Councillor H McGuill

**2.084/16 Use of recording Equipment**

The meeting was not recorded

**3.085/16 Police Report**

A report had been received from PCSO Maggie Lynch and had been forwarded on to councillors.

**4.086/16 Co-option of Members**

**5.087/16 Standing Orders**

It was agreed that the Chair and vice-chair would review ProcedureManual by February meeting

**6.088/16 Declaration of Interests**

Cllr Hayward-baker declared an interest in Item relating to solicitors update

**7.089/16 Financial Matters**

**a) Accounts for payments November**

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Clerk expenses Hay rakes, lock wreath and keys 145.64 paid

Cllr Norwood Pick up Clerk 8.55

Cllr Taylor Cement etc 21.57 paid

Cllr Jenkins Travel NWAMWALC Rhyl 23.50 paid

NWAMWALC Subscription 55.00

Flintshire CC September and October Inspection 465.66 Energy 668.86 Repairs 416.50 1551.02

BT Telephone and Internet 54.25

Canda Copying Photocopying 3 mths 128.50

HH Print Ltd A3 Safety signs 114.00

CHD Electrical Callout failed electrics 45.00

Redbud Ltd Community Contract 5 weeks 900.00

**Total Expenditure**   **3047.03**

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

**Salary Costs:** Note: salary costs will not be recorded in minutes it’s for Councillors information only

**b) Pension Strategy Statement**

A pension strategy report has been received from Clwyd Pensions which has been reviewed by Cllr D Jenkins.

**Resolved: The Chair with Cllrs Norwood and Jenkins will review with Clerk and come back to Council.**

**8.090/16. Approval of Minutes of the Council Meeting of the 1st of November2016**

**The Minutes were approved by council and signed by the chair**

**9.091/16. Chairman’s Report**

**Matters arising since last meeting**

1. Registration of land is proceeding Gamlins have provided the following update:

Just to update you on the voluntary first registrations of the Bonc and Quarry, we are looking at possibly getting OS Maps of the two sites to assist with HM Land Registry application. We are preparing the documentation to be submitted, but in order to assist, do you have a copy of the lease for the Bonc? Also can you confirm the name that we would be applying to register the area of land in? Would it be ACC? As this is a voluntary first registration I need to show the devolution of title from The Council to ACC.

**Resolved:The land should be registered as Mold Recreation Grounds**

1. The following correspondence has been received regarding the football posts in Wat’s Dyke Park.

Thanks for the note, I am somewhat concerned of the actions being undertaken on land managed by the council without prior discussion and agreement with ourselves on the provision of the goal.

Richard, had provided an estimation of cost to your council to provide new goals from an approved supplier as we have to ensure that the workmanship is to an acceptable standard. I respectfully request that the council consider the removal of both goals and we match fund a new set of approved goals at a cost of £800.00

**Resolved: The Council acknowledged receipt of letter and noted its considerations.**

1. The new latch for the gate at Y Bonc has been fitted with a new sign asking users to replace latch at all times.
2. A gift for Miss Fortune has been found and suggestion is to purchase and present in January.

**Resolved: The Council reviewed the proof of the gift and approved the cost of the larger which will be subject to discussions with the recipient’s representative.**

1. No response from Tesco regarding grant.
2. A meeting has been arranged between the Chief Officer Organisational Change and the Chief Officer of Governance on the 15th of December at 11.30 in Caffi Isa the subject will be the regarding the current situation of New Brighton Community Centre.

**Resolved: Members were encouraged by chair to attend**

1. Representatives of Argoed School were meant to be attending to-night but sent their apologies and asked if they could come in the New Year. The Clerk has suggested that the amenities committee would be meeting on the 14th of December. The school have been provided with Hay rakes and have lifted the grass in the quarry.
2. The plan for amenities for the next 5years will be discussed at their meeting on the 14th of December.
3. A letter received from Flintshire Council regarding election costs. If elections are held in our two wards it could cost around £5000. It’s important that Councillors ensure they register in the right ward. As it would cost only £135 per electoral area. Members should note that the six month period began Tuesday 8th of November and no more co-options can happen.

**Resolved : Members to ensure that election registrations relate to the wards they represent**

1. The Clerk has discussed with Discover Flintshire in putting up a notice board in the hall next to the Clerk.
2. The Clerk has forwarded details of discussions in the County Forum to members. The Meeting on the 28th of June will be held In the Library at Mynydd Isa.
3. LDBCW Publication - Electoral Reviews: Policy and Practice e-mail received from the Boundary Commission wales has been forwarded to you.
4. Had some abusive e-mails about paying some invoice this has been ignored.
5. The Annual Christmas Dinner has been postponed until January and will most probably be at the Sycamore restaurant in the Red Lion Penyffordd.
6. The accounts for Mold recreations have been filed with the Charity Commission.
7. The Christmas tree has been erected and the lighting contractors contacted and the groups performing have been informed.
8. An e-mail from the Crime Commissioner has been received and forwarded if members wish to respond they can.

**10.92/16 Notices of Motion**

None

**11.093/16. Planning Applications/Decisions**

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| **Application ref:** | **055597** | **055870** |  |
| **Application date** | 10/08/2016 | 08/09/2016 |  |
| **Location** | Land at Rose Farm Livery  Well Street Buckley | 154 Mold Road |  |
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| **Development** | Erection of a detached Bungalow | Erection of two storey rear extension and detached Double garage |  |
| **Council's Decision** | Consulted with FCC no reply this impedes decision and Objection Lodged |  |  |
| Closing Date |  | 29/09/2016 |  |
| **Council's Comments** | objection | No objection |  |
| **FCC Decision** | Under consideration | Under consideration |  |
| **BY:** |  |  |  |
| **Date** | Target 21/10/2016 | Target 21/10/2016 |  |
| **Application ref:** | **055785** | **055310** |  |
| **Application date** | 15/08/2016 | 17/05/2016 |  |
| **Location** | Top Farm Bryn Road  Bryn-Y-Baal | Argoed Service Station, Main Road, New Brighton |  |
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| **Development** | Change of use to a garden from open space | Erection of 24no. dwellings with associated garages, parking garden areas and open spaces with demolition of existing service station and outbuildings |  |
| **Council's Decision** | No Objection | The Council has objected to this application  previously and stands by its objection and would also like the Builder to be responsible in providing a mini  roundabout on the main road capable of handling this site and another site opposite where it is expected to have approx 70 cars coming on to a very busy main road |  |
| Closing Date | 05/09/2016 |  |  |
| **Council's Comments** | No Objection | Objection |  |
| **FCC Decision** | Under Consideration | Refused/Appeal Pending |  |
| **BY:** |  |  |  |
| **Date** | Target 21/09/2016 | 19/10/2016 |  |
| **Application ref:** | **055842** | **055876** |  |
| **Application date** | 30/08/2016 | 07/09/2016 |  |
| **Location** | Vacant Land Adjacent to  Tristernaugh New Brighton | 2 LLys Fammau  Mynydd Isa |  |
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| **Development** | Erection of detached Dwelling and garage | Erection of two Storey extension to front of dwelling |  |
| **Council's Decision** | No Objection | No objection |  |
| Closing Date | 20/09/2016 |  |  |
| **Council's Comments** |  |  |  |
| **FCC Decision** | Under Consideration | Approved |  |
| **BY:** |  | Delegated Officer |  |
| **Date** | Target 14/10/2016 | Target 19/10/2016 |  |
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| **Application ref:** | **055919** | **055977** |  |
| **Application date** | 05/09/2016 | 27/09/2016 |  |
| **Location** | 4 Bryn Road  Bryn y Baal | 1 Moel Gron  Mynydd Isa |  |
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| **Development** | Erection of Extension to rear of dwelling | Erection of 1st floor extension, single storey rear extension to replace the existing conservatory |  |
| **Council's Decision** | No objection | No Objection |  |
| Closing Date |  |  |  |
| **Council's Comments** |  |  |  |
| **FCC Decision** | Approved | Approved |  |
| **BY:** | Delegated Officer | Delegated Officer |  |
| **Date** | Target 30/09/2016 | Target 20/10/2016 |  |
| **Application ref:** | **056082** | **056170** |  |
| **Application date** | 26/10/2016 | 09/11/2016 |  |
| **Location** | Land at Bryn Y Baal Rd  Bryn y Baal | 7 Stone Row  New Brighton |  |
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| **Development** | Residential development of 5 houses | Continuation of Private Hire Taxi Vehicle |  |
| **Council's Decision** | Refuse as Number of bedrooms not recorded |  |  |
| Closing Date |  | 30/11/2016 |  |
| **Council's Comments** |  |  |  |
| **FCC Decision** | Under Consideration |  |  |
| **BY:** |  |  |  |
| **Date** | Target 06/12/2016 |  |  |
| **Application ref:** | **056242** |  |
| **Application date** | 09/11/2016 |  |
| **Location** | 154 Mold Road  Mynydd Isa |  |
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| **Development** | Erection of two storey rear extension and detached garage |  |
| **Council's Decision** |  |  |
| Closing Date | 21/12/2016 |  |
| **Council's Comments** |  |  |
| **FCC Decision** | Under Consideration |  |
| **BY:** |  |  |
| **Date** | Target 13/01/2017 |  |

**12.094/16 Representative’s Report**

**Argoed Sports Association.**

Representatives were dismayed at the attitude of the Association in their expected hike in rental to the Social club. Should it proceed the club would have to consider closing.

**Resolved: The members agreed with the representatives concerns and expressed their support for the continuation of the club.**

**13.095/16. Committee and Group Reports**

**Minutes of Amenities Committee held on Wednesday at 6.00 pm 9th November at the Community Centre Mercia Square, Mynydd Isa.**

PRESENT.

**Committee Members:** Cllr Taylor, Cllr C Bull Cllr Norwood

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

**Apologies**: Cllr R W Marsh Cllr McGuill, Cllr D Jenkins,

**Absent: None**

**Declaration of interests:** None

**Y Bonc Wall –** The clerk had received confirmation that work should begin on the wall after the 14th of December subject to workload.

**Y Bonc Gate** Cllr Cliff Bullhad shown his design to theChair, Cllr Norwood and Clerk

And all were very happy with the design and development. Cllr bull confirmed that the latch could be on the gate once the sign was ready.

**Community Contract**: The Chair discussed with members as regards to the control of hedging around the park at Y Bonc and asked Redbud to do so as part of the community contract Redbud agreed to do so.

**Christmas Trees**

The Clerk confirmed the trees were ordered and that the lighting and carol service are all in hand.

**Goals in Wat’s |Dyke Park**

The Clerk gave members a copy of an e-mail received from Flintshire County Council in relation to the goals on Wat’s Dyke. The clerk had written to the department advising that the Council had erected the goal. Their answer was to advise the Council to take down the goals and they will purchase new ones from a supplier that has the correct safety feature which will require an £800 match funding from the council.

The members were unhappy and informed the Clerk not to reply.

**Next Meeting: 14th December**

**Meeting Terminated: 7.05 pm**