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**To: All Members**

You are hereby summoned to a remote meeting of the Community Council, to be held on **Tuesday 4 May 2021 at 7 p.m.**

## **AGENDA**

1. Apologies
2. Chair's Report
3. Election of Chair for 2021/22
4. Appointment of Vice-Chair for 2021/22
5. Declaration of Acceptance of Office
6. Chair's Allowance and Remuneration Fees
  - a) To consider continuing current allowances of £1200 for Chair and £150 for Councillors.
  - b) To consider adding any allowance not accepted to the grants budget.
7. Appointment of Members to serve on Council Committees

Current committee members:

Amenities – Cllr I Jolly, Cllr J Norwood, Cllr B Clarke, Cllr R Marsh, Cllr K Mutch, Cllr M Shepherd

Grants - Cllr H McGuill, Cllr R Marsh, Cllr B Clarke, Cllr A Henry (resigned)

IT Group - Cllr F Hadfield-Jones, Cllr J McCarron, Cllr K Mutch, Cllr I Jolly

HR Group - Cllr F Hadfield-Jones, Cllr K Mutch, Cllr R Marsh, Cllr I Jolly, Cllr J McCarron

Quarry Group - Cllr I Jolly, Cllr K Mutch, Cllr M Shepherd

8. Appointment of Representatives on Outside Bodies

Current representatives:

Ysgol Mynydd Isa Governing Body -	Cllr J McCarron
North Wales Consultative Committee -	Cllr J Holiday
North Wales Association of Town Councils -	Cllr J Taylor (resigned) Cllr I Jolly and Clerk

**Council Meeting**

- 9. Co-Option of members
- 10. Declaration of interests
- 11. Standing Orders
  - a) Delegated authorities
- 12. Financial Matters

Payments for authority to pay:

Invoice no.	Supplier	Details	Amount (£)	
	Pro Vision	Street Lights Upgrade	418.99	SO
155186630	Amazon	First Aid Kit	7.90	pd
5107	Roadware	Dog bin	131.94	Pd
0082021	Michelle Jones Gardening	Winter duties	405.00	
0092021	Michelle Jones Gardening	Clearing at Y Bonc	920.00	
73687719975	Webroot	Anti-virus software	24.99	
M124WJ	BT	Telephone and internet	93.48	dd
28845	Universal Silk Screen Printers and Signmakers	Dog Waste Sticker	1.31	
187273233	Amazon	Linseed oil for bug boxes	3.95	
P21230	Revader	Upgrade of dummy cameras	3,960	pd
<b>Total</b>			<b>5967.56</b>	
Outstanding from 2020-21:				
629	Compacc	O/s payroll	3.00	pd
M113NF	BT	Telephone and internet	85.11	pd
852291	EUKHost	Website	82.48	pd

a) Salary and other employment costs: £1,208.38

b) Bank statement balances as at 31.03.2021:

NatWest Current: £6,163.29

NatWest Reserve: £23,742.12

c) Audit 2020/21

To receive an update.

13. To approve the Minutes of the meetings held on 6 April 2021

## **MINUTES OF THE ARGOED COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD AS A REMOTE MEETING ON TUESDAY 6 APRIL 2021.**

### **Representatives:**

#### **New Brighton Ward**

Councillor J McCarron (Chair)

Councillor GK Mutch

Councillor R Blanchard

Councillor R Marsh

Councillor B Clarke

#### **Argoed Ward**

Councillor J Holiday

Councillor I Jolly (Vice-chair)

Councillor H McGuill

Councillor M Shepherd

Councillor F Hadfield-Jones

**In attendance:** Clerk Mared Eastwood

1. Apologies

Received from Cllr J Norwood, Assistant Clerk – Janet Jones

2. Co-option of Members

It was noted that this continues to be a work in progress with the packs needing to be completed. There is another resident who may be approached with a view to her joining the Council in light of the work she is already doing within the community.

3. Declarations of Interest

None received.

4. Standing Orders

It was noted that there have been recent occasions where some matters have been delayed by the requirement to bring the issue to the attention of full Council

for authority. There was a general discussion surrounding delegated authority to authorise expenditure without bringing it to full Council.

**Resolved:** That the Clerk, in conjunction with the Chair, Vice-chair and one other councillor may authorise expenditure in line with the budget up to the value of £500 subject to both wards being represented. That is the three councillors cannot be from the same ward. The expenditure to be brought to the attention of full council at the next meeting.

## 5. Financial Matters

a) The following payments and invoices were noted:

Invoice no.	Supplier	Details	Amount (£)	
	Pro Vision	Street Lights Upgrade	418.99	SO
	Pro Vision	Street Lights Upgrade	418.99	Pd
E0600DZ5ES	Microsoft Basic	Office 365 x 3	13.68	Pd
E0600DZFU8	Microsoft Standard	Office 365 x 1	11.28	Pd
122573951 - 2021-5226	Amazon	Lenovo PC for Clerk	399.98	Pd
	Insuppa Trading	Parts for notice board	16.50	Pd
M123SC	BT	Telephone and internet	84.24	DD
045367351	123-reg	Domain renewal	14.39	Pd
Cheque	HM Land Registry	Office Copy Documents	21.00	Pd
DM Payroll Services Ltd	1335	Payroll Service	70.00	Pd
<b>Total</b>			<b>1,409.05</b>	

b) The salary and other costs were noted.

c) The bank balances were noted as follows:

NatWest Current – £6,142.29

NatWest Reserves- £23,742.12

d) That the audit papers for 2020/21 have been received was noted.

**Resolved:** All payments were noted and approved for payment.

**It was noted that the second payment to Pro Vision reflects the payment that was missed earlier in the year and is not a duplicate payment.**

**The anticipated costs for anti-virus software and a new office monitor were also noted and approved.**

6. To approve the Minutes of meeting held on 2 March 2021

**Resolved: Minutes of meeting dated 2 March 2021 were approved.**

7. Chairman's Report

The Assistant Clerk was thanked for her work in support of getting bulbs for the verge along Bryn Road, Bryn-y-Baal and for the donations of £100.

Cllr M Shepherd was thanked for tidying up the wildflower garden.

Cllr H McGuill was thanked for arranging with the junior school for a pod of their children to maintain the wildflower garden going forward, it was recognised as being good to engage with the children and that it ties in with the curriculum.

**Resolved: Cllr H McGuill to liaise with school to give them permission to put appropriate slogans on the trellis.**

8. Notices of Motion

None received.

9. Action Tracking

The action tracking document which had been circulated separately was noted. Whilst police cars have been seen driving around the villages during the day, it was agreed that a more visible presence of the PCSOs is needed. An electric scooter has been seen on the roads again and the CCTV will be checked. There also seems to be an increase of anti-social behaviour at the ASA and on Moelwyn Avenue, at Sainsbury's and on Chambers Lane and Hill View.

**Resolved: The budget for the planters discussed previously be increased to £1,750 plus VAT**

**To proceed with the CCTV upgrade.**

**To invite the PCSOs to attend a meeting**

10. 20mph limited – pilot consultation

It was noted that we were advised during the presentation from Flintshire County Council that all unclassified roads would be included in the scheme, but it appears that only half of Chambers Lane is proposed to be included,

notwithstanding the speed bumps that are in situ already and the children crossing. It was also noted that the WI hut, used by a playgroup, and terraced properties that exit straight onto the road would not benefit from the scheme as proposed.

**Resolved:** That Argoed Community Council whole-heartedly support the pilot scheme given the number of benefits that come with it.

**Clerk to write and comment that the whole of Chambers Lane should be 20 mph, together with the section of Bryn Road from New Brighton lights to Chambers Lane. In addition, Rose Lane should also be included, at least up to Well Street, as there are numerous residents walking and cycling that route and there is no pavement.**

**11. Consideration of a litter-picking scheme**

Clerk advised that although not many residents have come forward to litter pick during the Easter holidays, there have been several volunteers. Clerk has also arranged with Flintshire County Council to receive our allocation of 12 litter - pickers, together with coloured bags and gloves. Argoed Community Council has been invited to become a Litter Hub, working in conjunction with Flintshire County Council and Keep Wales Tidy.

**Resolved:** To go forward and become a Litter Hub

**Request that the litter bin is re-sited in the Square to that it sits next to the bench.**

**Consider the possibility of creating graphics for the litter bins.**

**12. Dog bin for Quarry**

The different options for the dog bin were considered.

**Resolved:** To purchase the Roadware bin for £109.95 plus VAT – installation to be reviewed once there has been an opportunity to see it at the Quarry entrance.

**13. Planning Applications/Decisions**

General discussion around application no. 062634. It was noted that there has been an unauthorised development on Mold Road in that a hedge has been removed and a 6ft fence installed. In addition, on Chambers Lane some of the verge has been removed and replaced with gravel.

**Resolved: 062634– no objection subject to there being adequate off-road parking.**

**Advise the Planning Officer about the developments on Mold Road and Chambers Lane**

**14. Police Report**

That no report has yet been received for this month but will be circulated when received was noted.

**15. Committee and Group Reports**

Consideration of the minutes from the Amenities Committee on 24 March 2021.

**Resolved: Minutes of the meeting were approved.**

Meeting concluded 20.30pm

Next meeting to be held 4 May 2021

14. Notices of Motion  
None received.

15. Action Tracking  
Document sent separately.

16. Insurance Policy

To consider the insurance renewal options:

Core Covers	Came & Co - Pen (Axa)	Zurich
Public Liability	£10m	£15m
Hirers Liability	£5m	£2m
Employers Liability	£10m	£10m
Officials Indemnity	£500,000	unknown
Libel & Slander	£500,000	£250,000
Fidelity Guarantee	£150,000	£100,000
Increased Cost of Working	£10,000	Not covered
Loss of Revenue	£10,000	Not covered
Motor NCD & Loss of Motor Excess	£250	Not covered
Keyman Cover (accident & illness)	£250 per week (max £2,500)	not covered
Internet & Email	£500,000	Not covered
Crisis Management	£500,000	Not covered
Contract Works	10% or £100,000	Not covered

Details	Came & Co	Zurich
1 year premium	£1441.48	£1638.42
3 year LTA premium	£1371.91	£1565.60
5 year LTA premium		£1492.78

17. Social Media Policy

Document sent separately.

18. Match-funding for play parks

Document sent separately.

19. Holidays

To approve holiday request from Clerk



20. Dates for future meetings

<b>Full Council</b>	<b>Amenities</b>
1 June 2021	19 May 2021
6 July 2021	16 June 2021
7 September 2021	21 July 2021
5 October 2021	15 September 2021
2 November 2021	20 October 2021
7 December 2021	17 November 2021
4 January 2022	15 December 2021
1 February 2022	19 January 2022
1 March 2022	16 February 2022
5 April 2022	16 March 2022
3 May 2022 - AGM	20 April 2022

21. Planning applications/decisions

**Ref:** 062365      **Date Valid:** 21/04/2021      **Expiry Date:** 16/06/2021      **Case Officer:**  
**Agent:** Paterson Macaulay & Owens, 9 Earl Road, Mold, Flintshire, CH7 1AJ  
**Proposal:** Proposed repair and refurbishment works  
**At:** Argoed Hall, Argoed Hall Lane, Mynydd Isa, Mold, CH7 6SQ  
**Grid Ref:** 325419.3 364432.6      **Area:** Argoed Community Council  
**Ward:** New Brighton

**Ref:** 062815      **Date Valid:** 15/04/2021      **Expiry Date:** 10/06/2021      **Case Officer:**  
**Agent:** ,  
**Proposal:** Retrospective planning application for the erection of a new fence which replaces a leylandii hedge of the same size.  
**At:** 17 Wats Dyke Avenue, Mynydd Isa, Mold, Flintshire, CH7 6UL  
**Grid Ref:** 326009 364153      **Area:** Argoed Community Council  
**Ward:** Argoed

**Ref:** 062630      **Area:** Argoed Community Council      **Ward:** Argoed      **Case Officer:** JZB  
**Agent:** Arup, 4 Pierhead Street, Capital Waterside, Cardiff, CF10 4QP  
**Proposal:** Screening Opinion for the redevelopment of Argoed High School.  
**At:** Argoed High School, Bryn Road, Bryn-Y-Baal, Mold, CH7 6RY  
**Date Valid:** 03/03/2021  
**Decision Date:** 15/04/2021      **Decision:** Screening Opinion Issued  
**Decision Issued:** 15/04/2021      **Decision Level:** Delegated-Officer

**Ref:** 062495 **Area:** Argoed Community Council **Ward:** New Brighton **Case Officer:** JZP  
**Agent:** CH Design, Athenia, The Green, Northop, Mold, Flintshire, CH7 6BD  
**Proposal:** Demolition of conservatory & Garage - Proposed single storey rear extension  
**At:** 72 Moorcroft, New Brighton, Mold, CH7 6RU  
**Date Valid:** 09/02/2021  
**Decision Date:** 06/04/2021 **Decision:** **Approved**  
**Decision Issued:** 06/04/2021 **Decision Level:** Delegated-Officer

22. Representative's report

Email received from local PCSO:

Good morning,

Hope you are all well. Please could you forward this email onto your own individual councillors.

Firstly, thank you for all your information surrounding the Anti-Social Behaviour within the community and telling us the places it tends to occur and the dates/times etc.

Flintshire South Policing Neighbourhood Team are aware of the ASB hotspots and the rise of ASB in Mynydd Isa. Last weekend we focused on high-visibility foot patrols within the community – during the weekend we attended the Sainsburys, Rose Lane abandoned house, we patrolled Argoed Social Club park and successfully seized x3 alcohol bottles from x2 females. We patrolled the Mynydd Isa Square, Chambers Lane, Bonc Park (by the speed camera) and any youths we came into contact with, we spoke to and they were dealt with accordingly.

We will continue to patrol these areas and continue to update yourselves. Please continue to update us of any new places – if you have any neighbourhood issues or concerns please contact us.

Kindest regards,



PCSO / SCCH C3942 Maisie Prytherch

23. Committee and group reports

**Minutes of Amenities Committee remote meeting held on Wednesday 21 April 2021 at 6pm.**

**PRESENT**

**Committee Members:** Cllr I Jolly, Cllr K Mutch, Cllr M Shepherd, Cllr J McCarron

**In attendance:** Clerk - Mared Eastwood

1. Apologies:

Cllr R Marsh, Cllr J Norwood, Cllr B Clarke

2. Declaration of Interests.

None.

3. Update on Planters and Hanging Baskets

Clerk advised that the planters and hanging baskets have been ordered as agreed. The volunteers are still on board to help plant up the hanging baskets.

**Recommended: Update was noted.**

4. Weeds in Quarry

It was noted that under the Weeds Act 1959 there are a number of weeds which are prohibited within a certain distance of open farmland. It is understood that four of the weeds that have been identified as existing within the Quarry need to be removed on this basis

**Recommended:** To cross-reference the lists and ask for professional advice on how to conduct targeted weed management.

5. Bins

Streetscene have advised that they will find a wheelie bin for the car park in New Brighton, free of charge. The dog waste bin has been ordered and it was discussed where it is to be installed.

**Recommended:** Clerk to find old signs in respect of dog-fouling, so that they may be installed too.

**Cllrs Jolly and McCarron to take bin to the Quarry when it is delivered, to see where may be best for it to be installed.**

6. 5-year plan suggestions

No new suggestions.

Meeting ended 7.10pm

Next meeting due to be held 19 May 2021