**MINUTES OF THE ARGOED COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 5TH JULY 2016 AT 7 P.M. AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, MERCIA DRIVE, MYNYDD ISA.**

**PRESENT:**

Councillor R Marsh Councillor D Jenkins

Councillor M Jones Councillor J Holiday.

Councillor A Hayward-Baker Councillor F Hadfield-Jones

Councillor W J Taylor (Chair) Councillor J McCarron

**In attendance:**

Mr R Hampson-Jones (Clerk)

**1.030/16 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

The following apologies were received:

Councillor C L W Bull, Councillor P M Jones, Councillor J Norwood, Councillor H McGuill

**2.031/16 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

**3.032/16 Police Report**

PCSO Maggie Lynch submitted a police update for the Argoed area which has been forwarded to members

**4.03316 Co-option of Members**

**NONE**

**5.034/16 Standing Orders**

Cllr Bragg is no longer a member.

**6.035/16 Declaration of Interests**

**7.036/16 Financial Matters £**

HH Print Banner and A2 Sign Y Bonc 168.00

BT Telephone and Internet 50.25

Redbud Ltd Community Contract 840.00

Planting Out 968.87

Plants and compost 900.98 709.85

Flintshire CC Lighting and Maintenance April & May 134.52

Clerk Speed gun, Batteries and charger 102.30

Clerk Kaspersky and Litter pickers 49.96 **Total Purchases 4214.96**

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

**Payments of grants: The Council approved a detailed schedule of Grants signed by Chair and Vice Chair**

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

**National pay Award**

The National Joint Council has agreed to a pay award of 1% which increases the salary costs by £43.06 *per month.*

**7.037/16. Approval of Minutes of the Council Meeting of the 7th June 2016**

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

**8.038/16. Chairman’s Report**

**Matters arising since last meeting**

1. A new gate has been installed in Beech grove to accommodate larger tractors. A complaint had been received by a resident which the Chair and the member for the South Ward discussed with the resident.
2. The new metal tree was erected with four planters. It has been agreed that the four others will be erected on lamp post and CCTV post. 4 baskets are hanging and the other four should be hung in the next two weeks
3. We have received a quote from Keene and Kelly for land registry costs which amount to £300 for two sites with £150 for land registry fees. Gamlin’s have also offered a similar price.
4. The Connah’s quay Civic Service is on the 24th of July and the Chair should be able to attend the Clerk cannot as he is on holiday.
5. The Speed Gun has been purchased and are now waiting for the battery charger.
6. Flintshire have been contacted regarding the cleaning up of the memorial garden.
7. The Clerk and Cllrs Jenkins and Holiday attended a Training day with Planning Aid Wales on the 29th and found it interesting. The training gave an insight to the procedure but members who attended felt the delivery was poor as the deliverer was using a presentation that was strange to him.
8. The Clerk and Cllr Mcguill attended the county forum on the 30th where the future of the parks was discussed and the clerk approached FCC regarding the transfer of two pieces of land to Mold Recreations, and the possible management of Parks subject to Service Level Agreement.
9. Flintshire CC acknowledge the Council’s viewpoint regarding the closure of the recycling plant in Buckley and its importance to the Argoed community.
10. The First meeting of the Mold Recreation Grounds Charity met last week 28th of June where it was agreed that Cllr McGuill would be chair of the charity. Resident members did not turn up due to other commitments. The Charity will meet again to appoint Secretary and Treasurer.
11. A New bench has been erected in the quarry the bench was manufactured by Cllr Cliff Bull and erected with the Help of the Chair Cllr WJ Taylor and Cllr J Norwood. There is a plan to put another one in as well.
12. The wales ombudsman report was forwarded to all electronically

**9.039/16 Notices of Motion**

**NONE**

**10.040/16. Planning Applications/Decisions**

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| **Application ref:** |  | **055405** |  |
| **Application date** |  | 31/05/2016 |  |
| **Location** |  | 11 Heol Fammau New Brighton |  |
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| **Development** |  | Use of Land for Purposes ancillary to the dwelling house and erection of fence. |  |
| **Council's Decision** |  | Objection as it is out of keeping with other open areas |  |
| Closing Date |  | 21/06/2016 |  |
| **Council's Comments** |  |  |  |
| **FCC Decision** |  | Approved |  |
| **BY:** |  | Delegated officer |  |
| **Date** |  | 04/07/2016 |  |
| **Application ref:** | **055305** | **055310** |  |
| **Application date** | 04/05/2016 | 17/05/2016 |  |
| **Location** | 8 Park Avenue, Bryn Y Baal, Mold | Argoed Service Station, Main Road, New Brighton |  |
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| **Development** | Proposed first floor extension | Erection of 24no. dwellings with associated garages, parking garden areas and open spaces with demolition of existing service station and outbuildings |  |
| **Council's Decision** |  | Objection as previously and add that the Builder should provide a roundabout |  |
| Closing Date |  |  |  |
| **Council's Comments** | No Objection | No Objection |  |
| **FCC Decision** | Approved |  |  |
| **BY:** | Delegated Officer |  |  |
| **Date** | 06/06/2016 | Target 15/06/2016 |  |

**11.041/16 Representative’s Report**

Cllr Hayward Baker gave a brief report on the governors’ meeting at Ysgol Mynydd Isa where everything was progressing as normal.

Argoed High School a councillor noted that there were some issues regarding the new school uniform .

**12.042/16. Committee and group reports**

**Minutes of Amenities Committee held on Wednesday at 6.00 pm 15th June 2016 at the Community Centre Mercia Square, Mynydd Isa.**

PRESENT.

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

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

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

**Absent: None**

**Declaration of interests:** None

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

**Park Management** The Chair informedthe committee that he had been contacted the builder regarding the wall in the park he has been delayed by previous contracts and he will attend as soon as it is possible**.**

**Basket tree** the clerk had spoken with the works manager and the tree will be delivered on Friday the 17th and will be erected.

**Plants and planting**

Redbud confirmed that the plants will be delivered the next day 16th of June all planting should be completed by the following Wednesday the 22nd of June. The planters will be picked up and filled and watered weekly using the reservoirs.

**Beech Grove**

The Clerk informed the committee that a new gate would be installed in the next two weeks to allow tractors to enter the Wat’s Dyke Park.

**Y Bonc**

The committee discussed the signs and the banner that are to be used in the park. At a request of a dog user a new sign had been designed for the park to encourage dog owners to clear up after their dogs. The banner is to close off the entrance to the park to prevent accidents with children running out on to the road.

**Land Registry**

The Clerk informed the committee that a price had been received from keen& Kelly and Forwarded to members. He will get second price from Gamlin’s.

**Bryn Y Baal Quarry**

Committee members were informed by Cllr Bull that a bench was ready to be installed in the quarry he described the dimensions and it was agreed to meet up at the quarry on the 20th of June at 10.00 am to install the bench. The vandalism where the floor is continually damaged the Clerk was requested to talk with the leisure department.

**Next Meeting: 13th July Terminated: 6.50 pm**

**Next Council Meeting September 6th 2016**