**MINUTES OF THE ARGOED COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 4TH JULY 2017 AT 7 P.M. AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, MERCIA DRIVE, MYNYDD ISA.**

**PRESENT:**

Councillor K Mutch Councillor B Clarke Councillor A Henry

Councillor J Holiday. Councillor J McCarron Councillor M Shepherd

Councillor H McGuill Councillor W J Taylor (Chair) Councillor I Jolly

**1.35/17 Apologies for absence**

The following apologies were received

Cllr J Norwood. Councillor R Marsh

**2.36/17 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

**3.037/17 Police Report**

No report received the Clerk has requested one and will forward to members when received

**4**.**037/17** **Co-Option of members**

**None**

**5..038/17 Standing Orders**

**6.039/17 Declaration of Interests to be signed**

Cllr J McCarron CCTV contract.

**7.040/17 Financial Matters**

**Approval of Accounts for Payment for June2017.**

BT May telephone and internet 54.84

Redbud Ltd Community Maintenance Contract 675.00

Caffi Isa Meeting Rooms 2 months 31.90

JDH Business Internal Audit 324.00

EUK HOST Website Hosting 79.92

Flintshire CC Street Lighting Inspection 232.83

Energy 381.07

Repairs 164.05 778.00

**Total Payments** **1943.66**

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

**Salary Costs** arenot recorded in minutes but Councillors have been informed of the cost,

Cash received for CCTV footage £25.00 increased cash on hand to £25.04

Postage expenses paid out of cash £ 2.07

Cash on hand £22.97

Approval of grants Argoed Playgroup £150

Tots to Teens £150

Argoed Gardening Club £200

MI Fuschia and Geranium £100 £600

**Resolved: The above payments were authorised**

**8.041/17 Approval of Minutes of the Council Meeting of the 6th of June2017**

**Resoved:The minutes were approved and signed by the chair**

**9.042/17 Chair’s Monthly Report**

**a) Matters since last meeting**

1. Heol Fammau have had two new double swings installed in the park which complete the revamp of the park. were waiting for the invoice for payment
2. Concerns were expressed as to how the children were getting into the farmer’s fields next door. The following was the quote received to close the gaps in the fencing and to prevent children climbing into the field.

A member stated that the children were identified and spoken to.

Price to take down fence and replace with 1.8m Vmex in Mynydd Isa (50 metres) would be £1943 plus VAT.

**Resolved: The fence to be passed to amenities committee for discussion**

1. The Five aside Goals for Wat’s Dyke Avenue have been ordered with Flintshire county council.
2. The Audit papers have been sent to external Auditors.
3. The Amenities committee have reviewed the quotes received from four suppliers and recommend one supplier. Cllr McCarron left the meeting for the discussions.

The Clerk explained to the members how the decision of the successful contractor had been reached and analysis of the four contracts was included with the information pack showing the breakdown of each contract.

**Resolved: The recommended supplier was approved.**

1. The Clerk is to attend a meeting tomorrow regarding Community Shares
2. The County Forum meeting for the 28th was cancelled however some communities turned up.
3. Cllr Mared Eastwood of Flintshire County Council has requested that New Brighton Park be considered for upgrading. It has not had new equipment in around 10 years and the request is that this year’s parks upgrade to be allocated there.

**Resolved:That New Brighton Park will be upgraded this year. The clerk is to ensure that only items not safe are removed and to get a confirmation from Flintshire for this.**

9. Cllr Shepherd has been booked on a training course in July.

**10.043/17 Notice of Motion**

**The Council to consider purchasing a defibrillator for use in the community**.

**Cllr B. Clarke**

Councillor B Clarke gave a presentation to the council on the importance of having a defibrillator in the community as heart attacks can happen at any age. There are defibrillators in Argoed Sports and the junior school but none in the community. The funding required is £950-2000 to have on set up in the community The Councillor would like to have the support of the Council to raise money in the community to provide one in the area.

**Resolved: The council is happy to support the councillor and willing to consider match funding to the amount raised.**

**The Council to consider a memorial seat in memory of Cllr Cliff Bull -Amenities committee**

The Members discussed a bench for in memory of the late Councillor Cliff Bull and it was recommended a recycled material bench should be purchased and to be placed in Wat’s Dyke Park in an area nearest to Alwyn Avenue where he once resided.

**Resloved: the Clerk to purchase a seat and arrange its location.**

**The Council to consider changes proposed by Flintshire CC in relation to Wat’s dyke school**

The members discussed the alternative plans and some were not happy as they felt that the problem was moved to another area rather than resolved.

It was drawn to their attention that a refusal at this point may result in the matter not being resolved at all.

**Resolved: The motion was carried with 6members supporting the plan 2 abstaining and 2 objecting.**

**11.044/17 Planning Applications/Decisions**

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| **Application ref:** | **055597** | **055785** |  |
| **Application date** | 10/08/2016 | 15/08/2016 |  |
| **Location** | Land at Rose Farm Livery  Well Street Buckley | Top Farm Bryn Road  Bryn-Y-Baal |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| **Development** | Erection of a detached Bungalow | Change of use to a garden from open space |  |
| **Council's Decision** | Consulted with FCC no reply this impedes decision and Objection Lodged |  |  |
| Closing Date |  | 05/09/2016 |  |
| **Council's Comments** | objection | Land Registry Problems |  |
| **FCC Decision** | Gone to committee | **NO DATA** |  |
| **BY:** |  |  |  |
| **Date** | Target 21/10/2016 |  |  |

**12.045.17Representative’s Report**

**13.046.17Committee and group reports**

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

PRESENT.

**Committee Members:** Cllr W J Taylor, Cllr G K Mutch, Cllr B Clarke Cllr J Holiday

**In attendance:** Clerk Rhodri Hampson-Jones, Redbud Ltd

**Apologies**: Cllr R W Marsh Cllr Norwood, Cllr A Henry

**Absent: None**

**Declaration of interests:** None

**Contractor’s report from redbud Limited**

**Report for Argoed Community Council amenities meeting 21st June 2017**

**Work in progress**

Watering, deadheading and refilling water in baskets to be continued.

Everything has been fed to encourage flowering.

The weather is affecting the begonias again.

Unhealthy plants have been removed.

The large border at the square has been maintained.

The grass area at the square will be mowed before competition week.

**Questions –**

Am I to be doing any litter picking at all on run up to competition?.  
Is any work to be continued at the Bonc park? I did start to weed the borders but summer bedding maintenance has used all the hours.

**Possible additional work to be considered**

To create 'new' border to allow for extension of building. The following is a rough guide to equipment required and costs.  
Turf cutter - £90  
Rotavator - £80  
Very large skip - 250 - 300  
THEREFORE ROUGHLY £500 JUST ON EQUIPMENT HIRE.  
ESTIMATED HOURS TO PREPARE NEW BORDER AREA AND RE PLANT ALL PLANTS 95-100 HOURS (£1500 LABOUR).  
**Recommendation: Plants should not be moved**

**Annual Contract**

Due to the need to plan Autumn and Winter works, my burgeoning workload and family commitments, I will need to have confirmation of the offer of a new annual contract to cover September 2017 to 2018 **by 4th August** (one month before the present contract ends). If the contract is not renewed by that date I will have to assume it will not to be renewed and reschedule the time to other customers.

**Recommendation: The council to decide on the contract for Clerk to process and to continue with contract**

**Comemorative seat in memory of Cllr Cliff Bull.**

This item was requested to be on the Council meeting agenda in June

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| **Argoed Community Council** | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **CCTV replacement cameras.** | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Type | where | new type | Sabre | Jacksons | CP | CCS |  |
|  |  |  |  | Inc Cabling |  |  | inc cabling |  |
| Camera 1 | round | foyer | round D | 265 |  | 515.17 | 375 |  |
| camera3 | round | rear car pk | bullet WA | 530 |  | 543.45 | 425 |  |
| camera 4 | bullet | path to centre | bullet WA | 530 |  | 543.45 | 425 |  |
| camera 6 | bullet | nursery garden | bullet WA |  |  |  |  |  |
| camera 7 | round | back door | round D | 265 |  | 515.17 | 375 |  |
| camera 8 | round | back door | round D | 265 |  | 515.17 | 375 |  |
| camera9 | round | by clerks office | bullet WA | 530 |  | 543.45 | 425 |  |
| Camera 11 | bullet | path away from cent | bullet WA | 530 |  | 543.45 | 425 |  |
| camera12 | round | at front door | round D | 265 |  | 515.17 | 375 |  |
| camera 14 | round | caffi isa door | round D | 265 |  | 515.17 | 375 |  |
| DVR |  |  |  | no | yes\*\*\*\* | yes\*\*\* | no |  |
|  |  |  |  | **3445** |  | **4749.7** | **3575** |  |
| contract |  |  |  | **600** | **143** | **365** | **425** |  |
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|  | \*\*\* | Not requeste |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \*\*\*\* | cameras not compatible with DVR | | |  |  |  |  |

**Recommendation: Sabre be appointed**