



MINUTES OF THE ARGOED COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD AS A HYBRID MEETING ON TUESDAY 2 JULY 2024 AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MYNYDD ISA COMMUNITY CENTRE.

Representatives:

Argoed Ward: Cllr Faron Hadfield-Jones, Cllr John Holiday, Cllr Paul Jewell, Cllr Ian Jolly, Cllr Hilary McGuill, Cllr Gwilym Owen

New Brighton Ward: Cllr Rebecca Legge, Cllr Roy Marsh, Cllr Jack Morris, Cllr Keith Mutch, Cllr Miriam Shepherd

In attendance: Clerk Mared Eastwood, Assistant Clerk Janet Jones

1. Apologies

Received from Cllr Rebecca Blanchard, Cllr Jon McCarron.

2. Chair's Report

No events or matters of significance to report.

3. Clerk's Report

Clerk advised that volunteers have helped plant up the hanging baskets again and that a meeting has been arranged with Mega, to see where the new Christmas displays may be sited.

4. Co-option of members

A resident, Mr Graham Palmer, had indicated an interest in being co-opted onto the Council and gave the following statement in support of his application:

I would like to be considered to become a community councillor for Argoed, I'd like to use some of my time to improve my local community and offer whatever I can to assist. I would like to get more involved in my local community, I can see a general improvement of the community generally and would like to offer what I can to continue this trajectory.

I was a member of Round table for 7 years, initially in Heswall where I have a group of close friends and since 2021 in Mold and Buckley which was re-chartered after lockdown, The organisation does not allow members over 45 so as former chairman I retired from the organisation this year, I have enjoyed fundraising and helping with events taking over the Santa sleigh routes from Mold town council 2 years ago. I will remain involved with the group as member of their follow-on organisation; however this is much less active and my local group is now in Ellesmere Port.

As an electrical engineer I'm afraid I can't bring many skills directly from my work however I have been on the charity and gym committees in work for several years, so I have some awareness of fundraising and allocation of grants. (my work donates to Cheshire Community Foundation and allocates £250K per year to charities around Cheshire)

I have recently become involved with Leeswood Allotments where my wife holds a plot, giving some support to the chairman who has tried to take on all of the responsibility for all areas himself rather than delegating, I'd like to assist with setting up allotments in Mynydd Isa, and hopefully be able to move across leaving Leeswood in a better position before I do so.

I have lived in Mynydd Isa since I was 2 years old when the Broseley houses were built on Park Avenue in 1980, moved away for university etc from aged 19 and moved back buying my childhood home during Covid lockdown.

Resolved: That Mr Graham Palmer be co-opted onto Argoed Community Council.

5. Declarations of Interest
None declared.

6. Standing Orders
None to consider.

7. Financial Matters

a) Clerk gave details on the expenditure incurred as listed below:

Invoice no.	Supplier	Details	Amount (£)	
E0600SIAIV	Microsoft	M/soft 365 Business Basic x 13	76.44	Pd
E0600SI8NT	Microsoft	M/soft 365 Business Standard x 1	12.36	Pd
M1627Q	BT	Telephone and internet	125.11	
TA095461	Flintshire County Council	Street lighting maintenance	237.00	
#2143	The Care-Taker	Installation of new bench and dog-waste bin.	120.00	

b) Salary and other employment costs for June 2024 given as £1,757.14

c) Bank balances were listed as at 31 May 2024 as follows:	
NatWest Current:	£5,359.47
NatWest Reserves:	<u>£83,105.43</u>
Total	£88,643.21

Resolved: That the payments listed be approved to be paid.

The salaries and bank balances were noted.

8. To approve the Minutes of meetings held on 4 June 2024

Consideration of the minutes of the meetings held on 4 June 2024.

Resolved: The minutes of the meeting dated 4 June 2024 were approved.

9. Notices of Motion

None received.

10. Planning Applications

The merits of planning application COU/000437/24 was discussed.

Resolved: 000437/24 – no objection.

11. Proposed Names of 66a Mold Road Development

The proposed names of Maes y Coed and Golygfa Mynydd were considered.

Resolved: Both proposed names considered acceptable.

12. Representatives Report

Clerk reported that there had been some anti-social behaviour at Caffi Isa the previous week and that CCTV footage was being made available to the PCSOs investigating.

New pipeline consultation meetings are being held in Buckley and Penyffordd.

Resolved: Report about the anti-social behaviour was noted.

A letter be sent to the pipeline project manager, requesting a consultation meeting in New Brighton also.

13. Committee and group reports

The minutes of the Amenities Committee, Grants Committee and Extraordinary Council Meeting dated 19 June 2024 were considered.

Resolved: The minutes of the Amenities Committee, Grants Committee and Extraordinary Council Meeting dated 19 June 2024 were approved.

Meeting concluded 7.43pm

Next meeting to be held 3 September 2024