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To: All Members

You are hereby summoned to a **remote** meeting of the Community Council, to be held on **Wednesday, 4 December 2024 at 7pm**. A link to the meeting will be sent separately.

Yours faithfully,

Mared Eastwood

Clerk and RFO for Argoed Community Council

The meeting will be held as a remote meeting and members of the public and press are welcome to attend. If you wish to attend remotely, please contact the Clerk so that a link may be sent to you.

AGENDA

1. Apologies
To receive any apologies.
2. Chair's Report
To receive the Chair's report.
3. Clerk's Report
To receive the Clerk's report.
4. Co-option of members
To consider the co-option of any potential new members.
5. Declaration of interests
To receive any declaration of interests in the agenda items.
6. Standing Orders
To consider any revision to the Standing Orders and/or Financial Regulations.

7. Financial Matters

a) Payments for authority to pay:

Invoice no.	Supplier	Details	Amount (£)	
E0600UAQH9	Microsoft	M/soft 365 Business Basic x 14	88.20	Pd
E0600UADS3	Microsoft	M/soft 365 Business Standard x 1	12.36	Pd
#17	MLandscapeUK Ltd	Memorial Garden pruning and path	400.00	
NBCC471	NBCC	Office hire Sept-Nov 24	687.51	Pd
AE13052	ACE Electrics Ltd	External Lighting to Canolfan Isa	1398.00	
#471943 (PV)	Amazon	Mesh fencing x 4	107.96	
#466151	Amazon	Mesh fencing x 3	80.97	Pd
#72334	Amazon	Temporary fencing pins	53.16	Pd
SI-584	Caffi Isa CIC	Room hire 19/11/2024	19.00	
NBCC482	NBCC	Office hire – Dec – Feb 2025	687.51	
PV – Rebecca Blanchard	Aldi/Bevan	Santa gifts, Christmas lights and cable ties	232.27	

b) Salary and other employment costs for November 2024: £1,814.06

c) Bank Balances as at 31 October 2024:

NatWest Current: £154.79
 NatWest Reserves: £90,464.63
Total: £90,619.42

8. Defibrillators

To consider and approve the cost of replacement batteries and pads for two Cardiac Science Powerheart G5 defibrillators:

Batteries - £280 + VAT (£336) x 2
 Pads - £59 + VAT (£70.80) x 2
Total - £678 + VAT (£813.60)

9. To consider the request from NBCC to connect to our internet with an independent connection.

10. To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 6 November 2024

MINUTES OF THE ARGOED COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD AS A HYBRID MEETING ON TUESDAY 6 NOVEMBER 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 Jack Morris, Cllr Hilary McGuill, Cllr Rebecca Legge

New Brighton Ward: Cllr Rebecca Blanchard, Cllr Jon McCarron, Cllr Keith Mutch, Cllr Miriam Shepherd, Cllr Gwilym Owen, Cllr Graham Palmer

In attendance: Clerk Mared Eastwood

1. Apologies

Received from Cllr Roy Marsh

2. Chair's Report

- The internet, phone system and office are now completely set up and functioning well.
- There is an issue with the dates of our meeting in that neither Canolfan Isa nor New Brighton Community Centre has availability for us to book space on Tuesday evenings now that there is no internet connection for our former room. There is availability at New Brighton Community Centre for meetings to be held on the first and third Wednesday of each month, subject to 4 December when there is a pre-existing clash.

Resolved: The office update was noted.

That Council meetings be held on the first Wednesday of each month and the Clerk to also establish other alternatives as the day of the week is not convenient to all members.

3. Clerk's Report

- The Remembrance Services will be held at the Memorial Garden in the morning and in St James', New Brighton in the afternoon. Volunteers needed to lay the wreaths on the Council's behalf at Mold and Buckley parades.

Resolved: Clerk's report noted. Cllr Ian Jolly to attend Mold parade, Cllr Gwilym Owen to attend Buckley parade.

4. Co-option of Members

None to consider, the Council is at full complement.

5. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Faron Hadfield-Jones declared a personal interest in item 7(a)

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 (£)	
E0600TXU4V	Microsoft	M/soft 365 Business Basic x 14	82.32	Pd
E0600TXIYY	Microsoft	M/soft 365 Business Standard x 1	12.36	Pd
INV-23442	Internet and installation fee	FHJ Computer Support Ltd	225.60	
1595516	Broadbandbuyer.com	Yealink office phones	169.13	Pd*
186654	Connectec	WiFi access point and PoE injector	130.64	Pd
3612	Follyfield Nurseries	Winter bedding	345.49	
INV-10414	Mega Electrical NW Ltd	Installation of 10 new Christmas displays/lights	3,660.00	
476212	Canda Copying Ltd	Photocopying	30.67	
475822	Canda Copying Ltd	Rental of photocopier	99.60	
ARINV/009979	Audit Wales	Audit fees 20210/21	270.00	

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

c) Bank balances were listed as at 30 September 2024 as follows:

NatWest Current:	£5,650.34
NatWest Reserves:	<u>£90,357.07</u>
Total	£96,007.41

Resolved: The payments were approved to be paid.

The salary and other employment costs, together with bank balances were noted.

8. To approve the Minutes of meetings held on 1 October 2024
Consideration of the minutes of the meeting held on 1 October 2024.

Resolved: The minutes of the meeting dated 1 October 2024 were approved.

9. Notices of Motion
None received.

10. Christmas

Clerk advised that the trees have been ordered and the donated lights have been reviewed with Mega. A barrier is required, to safeguard against small children from wandering into the area inadvertently as the donated lights are high voltage, and to mitigate against the new displays from Shangri-La being damaged. A temporary fence will be required and a potential option is green-coated mesh and iron rods as this should be quite robust but also easy to install, remove and then store.

Consideration also needs to be given to donating towards the cost of gifts for Santa to distribute on the night of the switch-on.

As part of the event will be taking place in the carpark to the rear of Canolfan Isa, consideration also needs to be given to assist towards the external lighting in the alley and over the carpark as they are not working and require maintenance work. Three quotes for the proposed work have been provided.

Resolved: To purchase 3 packs each of pins and mesh (based on 24m perimeter).

To accept quote of £1,165 to have new external lighting on Caffi Isa installed, on the basis that the Council funds the installation and maintains them on an ongoing basis, subject to Canolfan Isa providing the power supply to them.

To donate £200 towards the purchase of gifts for Santa

11. Planning Applications

Consideration of planning applications.

Resolved: FUL/000853/24 – no objection.

OUT/000694/24 – no objection in principle. However, it is outside the settlement boundary, query whether it is affordable social housing. Note it was previously used as a builders yard. Query how it impacts on a public right of way, would not support that.

FUL/000877/24 – no objection.

PAC – New Brighton - formally object to this proposed development for the following reasons:

- It is named Bryn-y-Baal instead of New Brighton, where it is sited.
- The proposed development sits outside the settlement boundary.
- The proposed development is not on a site within Flintshire's LDP.
- The residences on Moorcroft already suffer significantly with surface water drainage, some residents having experienced their homes flooded with sewerage.
- 135 dwellings will create significant extra traffic on our already busy roads.
- There is already sufficient affordable housing in New Brighton.
- The sewerage system cannot currently accommodate 135 additional dwellings.

12. Representatives Report

No police report has been submitted. It was noted that there continues to be anti-social behaviour and illegal parking.

Fireworks event was well attended and went very well.

Resolved: Clerk to write to the Police Commissioner to highlight the issue. Update reports were noted.

Clerk to write to the ASA to thank them for running the fireworks event.

13. Committee and group reports

Consideration of the minutes for the Amenities meeting held on 16 October 2024.

Resolved: The minutes for the Amenities meeting of 16 October 2024 were approved.

Meeting concluded 8.10pm

11. Notices of Motion

None received.

12. Planning applications/decisions

PLANNING APPLICATION CONSULTATION - Ref No: FUL/001030/24

PROPOSAL: SINGLE-STOREY SIDE EXTENSION AND TWO STOREY REAR EXTENSION.

LOCATION: 7, Argoed Avenue, New Brighton, Mold, CH7 6QL

Is a Departure from the Development Plan	N
Affects a Right of Way	N
Accompanied by an Environmental Impact Assessment	N

Consideration of request received from NBCC – copy email sent separately.

13. Representatives Report

To receive any reports from representatives from outside bodies.

14. Committee and group reports

To consider the minutes of the Amenities Committee dated 20 November 2024.

Minutes of the Amenities Committee hybrid meeting held at New Brighton Community Centre on Wednesday 20 November 2024 at 6.30pm.

PRESENT

Committee Members: Cllr Faron Hadfield-Jones, Cllr John Holiday, Cllr Ian Jolly, Cllr Rebecca Legge Cllr Keith Mutch, Cllr Miriam Shepherd.

In attendance: Clerk - Mared Eastwood

1. Apologies

Cllr Roy Marsh, Cllr Jack Morris.

2. Declaration of interests

None declared.

3. Concrete Slabs for bike stands/bench – consideration of costs

The Clerk advised that a site visit has been held with FCC, and quotations have been provided for a concrete slab to hold the bike stands and another for a new bench, to be sited on the junction of Mercia Drive and Mold Road, Mynydd Isa. The quotations were duly considered.

Resolved: Clerk requested to get at least one more quote, to compare.

4. Proposal to increase accessibility to Wats Dyke Park – consideration of costs

Clerk advised that, in response to an email sent by a resident and also to encourage active travel through Wats Dyke Park, a proposal has been suggested which will increase the accessibility to Wats Dyke Park. By law, there must be an accessible means of entry to the Park and there is one currently by Beech Grove. The proposed scheme would allow residents from the Bryn-y-Baal, etc easier access to the Park by making the existing gate accessible and dropping kerbs in an appropriate place.

Resolved: The proposed scheme of works to have the kerbs dropped and the existing gate altered was accepted.

5. Proposed scheme of works for new lighting in Sainsbury's carpark

Clerk advised that a scheme of works had been designed to create better lighting for Sainsbury's carpark in Mynydd Isa as parts of it can be very dark when night falls. The scheme is for lighting and a new path, but the work could be done in phases.

Resolved: Clerk requested to take Phase 1 of the scheme to the Council for consideration.

6. Consideration of proposed response to PAC for 135 dwellings in New Brighton

Consideration was given to the suggested wording drafted by the Clerk and some amendments were made as follows:

ACC wishes to formally object to this proposed development for the following reasons:

- It is named Bryn-y-Baal instead of New Brighton, where it is sited.
- The proposed development sits outside the settlement boundary.
- The proposed development is not on a site within Flintshire's LDP.
- The residences on Moorcroft already suffer significantly with surface water drainage, some residents having experienced their homes flooded with sewerage **repeatedly**.
- 135 dwellings will create significant extra traffic on our already busy roads.
- There is already sufficient affordable housing in New Brighton.
- The sewerage system cannot currently accommodate 135 additional dwellings **and will need to be upgraded**.
- **No access to play provision**
- **Clarification is required as to where the foul pumping station pumps to.**

Resolved: Clerk to submit the comments as amended.

7. Consideration of proposal to rejuvenate the central feature in the Memorial Garden

Clerk advised that the gardening contractor has been invited to supply a quote to dig out the central feature in the Memorial Garden as it has become overgrown. If the area is dug out,

there is a suggestion that it could be then be planted up with biodiversity friendly planting and herbs for the community to use.

Cllr John Holiday volunteered to apply a stain to the benches. A braille fence to go round a sensory garden was also suggested.

Resolved: The proposal is approved, Clerk to look for grant opportunities.

8. Trees in Vale Drive Park

Clerk advised that the trees in Vale Drive Park have been put on Streetscene's operations review.

Resolved: Clerk to get time estimate for when the work will be completed.

Meeting concluded at 7.10pm

Next Meeting 6.30 pm Wednesday 18 December 2024

15. Proposed lighting scheme for Sainsbury's carpark

To consider the proposed lighting scheme that has been devised for Sainsbury's carpark in Mynydd Isa. A copy of the scheme is attached and the approximate costs for phase 1 have been given as between £7,500 and £8,100

16. Proposed accessibility option for Wats Dyke Park

To consider the proposed scheme of works suggested by Flintshire County Council to increase the accessibility of Wats Dyke Park, Mynydd Isa. A quote of £2,724.74 has been given by FCC to drop kerbs and alter the existing gate on Park Avenue to allow access for wheelchairs and buggies.

17. Proposed new gateway signs for Pentre Cythrel/New Brighton.

To consider the request for new gateway signs for Pentre Cythrel/New Brighton:

