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To: All Members

You are hereby summoned to a meeting of the Community Council, to be held on **Wednesday, 5 March at 7pm** at the Council Chambers within New Brighton Community Centre.

Yours faithfully,

Mared Eastwood

Clerk and RFO for Argoed Community Council

The meeting will be held as a hybrid meeting and members of the public and press are welcome to attend, either by attending the meeting in person or remotely by way of Teams. 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 (£)	
E0600VARF2	Microsoft	M/soft 365 Business Basic x 15	88.20	Pd
E0600VAJ8W	Microsoft	M/soft 365 Business Standard x 1	12.36	Pd
Payment Voucher	Cllr John Holiday	Stain for bench in Memorial Garden	12.00	
19	MLandscapeUK Ltd	Memorial rock garden de-vegetation and green waste disposal	1,100.00	
NBCC517	New Brighton Community Centre	Office hire March – May 25	642.51	

b) Salary and other employment costs for February 2025: £2,019.71

c) Bank Balances as at 27 February 2025:

NatWest Current: £2,823.57
NatWest Reserves: £87,610.47
Total: £90,434.04

8. To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 5 February 2025

MINUTES OF THE ARGOED COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING, HELD AS A HYBRID MEETING ON WEDNESDAY 5 FEBRUARY 2025 AT NEW BRIGHTON COMMUNITY CENTRE.

Representatives:

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

New Brighton Ward: Cllr Rebecca Blanchard, Cllr Rebecca Legge, Cllr Keith Mutch, Cllr Jon McCarron, Cllr Miriam Shepherd

In attendance: Clerk - Mared Eastwood, Assistant Clerk – Janet Jones
3 members of the public

1. Apologies

Received from Cllr Roy Marsh, Cllr Gwilym Owen, Cllr Graham Palmer

2. Chair's Report

Chair advised that meetings had been held with residents regarding a change of use planning application in Mynydd Isa but it has now been advised that planning permission

is not, in fact, needed and the application has been withdrawn. Residents were upset that their worries could have been avoided and about the comments that had been made about them on social media by other residents.

Resolved: Chair’s report was noted.

3. Clerk’s Report

New signs are needed to show where the office is located within New Brighton Community Centre (NBCC).

An internet connection has now been installed for NBCC. They are responsible for the installation fee and the monthly charges will be split 50:50 going forward.

A request has been received to ask for financial support to hold a community event at NBCC.

It is not possible to have a golden post-box, this was done for the London Olympics only. Sabrina Fortune was interested in the suggestion of different coloured planters to celebrate her achievement as an alternative, with an associated plaque.

Resolved: Clerk’s report was noted and further detail surrounding the request for support for the community event was requested. The Paralympics don’t have the Olympic rings as its logo, therefore a golden planter was thought to be a better alternative, site location to be agreed at a future date.

4. Co-option of members

None

5. Declaration of interests

None.

6. Standing Orders

Nothing to review

7. Financial Matters

Resolved: The following invoices were approved to be paid:

Invoice no.	Supplier	Details	Amount (£)	
E0600UZ1PG	Microsoft	M/soft 365 Business Basic x 14	88.20	Pd
E0600UYZQG	Microsoft	M/soft 365 Business Standard x 1	12.36	Pd
478652	Canda Copying Ltd	Rental of photocopier	99.60	
INV-10656	Mega Electrical NW Ltd	Extra charge for Sunday switch on	264.00	
NBCC507	New Brighton Community Centre	Hall hire – January 2025	16.50	
NBCC506	New Brighton Community Centre	Hall hire – December 2024	16.50	
TA097456	Flintshire County Council	Street lighting monthly inspections Oct-Dec 2024	317.50	
WEB17619	HCI Data Limited	Domain renewal for 2 years	114.00	

The salary costs were noted.

8. To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 15 January 2025
Minutes of meeting held on 15 January 2025 were considered.

Resolved: Minutes were approved.

9. Notices of Motion
None received.

10. Consideration of revised costings for lighting scheme at Sainsbury's carpark, Mynydd Isa
Clerk advised the quote initially given has risen due to the existing column needs replacing due to its age and a new feeder pillar will also be necessary, to provide power to the CCTV camera and to the new columns as the supply currently comes from the column which needs to be replaced.

Resolved: Revised quote of £9,275 plus VAT approved.

11. Further review of gateway signs
The latest alternative wording for the new gateway signs was considered.

Resolved: The wording was approved as follows:



12. Consideration of match-funding spend for play-areas
Due to the time of year and the funding that will be coming to improve the Bonc, it was suggested that this year's funding be used to improve the fencing at the Bonc and the parks at Heol Fammau and in New Brighton. This work is necessary and has the additional benefit of improving three different areas within the community.

Resolved: That the match-funding for the fencing proposals be agreed.

13. Planning applications/decisions

Consideration of the planning applications as follows:

FUL/001091/24 **re-submit the comments as per the pre-application consultation, as amended during the meeting.**

FUL/000086/25 **no objection.**

COU/001072/24 **planning permission no longer required therefore no comment to be given by Argoed Community Council.**

14. Representatives Report

Report from the PCSO is there is nothing to report.

New school is scheduled to open after Easter for some pupils.

**Resolved: Reports noted.
Clerk to write to Chief Constable.**

15. Committee and group reports.

Minutes from the Amenities Committee on 15 January 2025 were considered.

Resolved: Minutes from the Amenities Committee and dated 15 January 2025 were approved.

Meeting concluded 8.50pm
Next meeting – 5 March 2025

9. Notices of Motion
None received.

10. Presentation about the Padeswood Spur Pipeline Proposed Development.
To receive an update.

11. Recruitment of new Clerk/RFO update
To receive an update.

12. Planning applications/decisions
To consider the following applications:

PLANNING APPLICATION CONSULTATION - Ref No: FUL/000113/25

PROPOSAL: TWO STOREY EXTENSION TO SIDE

LOCATION: New Brighton Community Centre, Moel Fammau Road, New Brighton, Mold, CH7 6QX

PLANNING APPLICATION CONSULTATION - Ref No: FUL/001080/24

PROPOSAL: PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW FORAGE STORE, 47M X 16, 5M

LOCATION: ARGOED HALL FARM, Argoed Hall Road, Mold, CH7 6SQ

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 26 February 2025:

Minutes of the Amenities Committee hybrid meeting held at New Brighton Community Centre on Wednesday 26 February 2025 at 6.30pm.

PRESENT

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

In attendance: Clerk - Mared Eastwood, Assistant Clerk – Janet Jones

1. Apologies
Cllr Faron Hadfield-Jones, Cllr Roy Marsh, Cllr Jack Morris,
2. Declaration of interests
None declared.
3. Proposed scheme of works for lighting in Sainsbury's carpark
Proposal to increase accessibility to Wats Dyke Park – Clerk advised that Flintshire County Council has been instructed to action the proposed works.

Proposed scheme of works for lighting in Sainsbury's carpark – the costs had been given to be in the region of £7,500 - £8,100 for phase one of the scheme of works. Budget has been reviewed to ensure that there are sufficient monies available to proceed with this.

Proposal to rejuvenate the central feature in the Memorial Garden – the Area Streetscene Coordinator has given permission for the work to be undertaken and the budget has been reviewed to ensure affordability.

Costings for installation of bike stands and bench on Mold Road – specifications have been received from Flintshire County Council so that we may compare like with like on other quotes.

Resolved: Update noted.

4. Proposal to rejuvenate the central feature in the Memorial Garden

Clerk advised that the feature has been cleared but there are still a lot of roots and tree stumps left in the ground, which will need clearing if anything other than ground covering plants are to be planted. An alternative could be Broom and ground-covering Ivy. A complaint has been received indirectly via Flintshire County Council that an established fir tree has been felled.

Resolved: Clerk to review quote from Contractor and have more of the roots removed.

The complaint was noted.

Delegated authority given to Cllr Miriam Shepherd to liaise with the contractor and agree a planting scheme, budget up to £500 (biodiversity allocation)

5. New litter bin for Memorial Garden and outside new school

Clerk advised that an alternative proposal to a permanent litter bin in the Memorial Garden could be considered – a wheelie bin similar to the one successfully being used at New Brighton football field. Streetscene have agreed to add such a bin to their collection round.

Assistant Clerk advised that Flintshire County Council will be installing a new litter- bin in the vicinity of the new school in Bryn-y-Baal.

Resolved: Reports noted.

To trial the use of a wheelie bin in the Memorial Garden. Clerk authorised to purchase a new sticker to ask residents to place their litter in the wheelie bin.

6. Smart water initiative

Summary details were given of a new Smart Water initiative from North Wales Police which has been utilised in Nannerch.

Resolved: Clerk to make further arrangements to progress this, commencing with a resident consultation.

7. Golden planter to celebrate Sabrina Fortune's paralympic achievement

Clerk advised that the Paralympic logo is not the same as the Olympic rings. Illustrations of a variety of planters were discussed. They are not supplied in the colour gold but paint can be purchased at a cost of around £50.

Resolved: To get costs for the triple tiered planters, which could then be planted up with blue, red and green plants – the colours of the Paralympics.

Meeting concluded at 7.10pm
Next Meeting 6.30 pm Wednesday March 2025