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30 January 2025

**To: All Members**

You are hereby summoned to a meeting of the Community Council, to be held on **Wednesday, 5 February 2025 at 7pm** at 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 (£)	
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	

b) Salary and other employment costs for January 2025: £2,019.91

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

**MINUTES OF THE ARGOED COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING, HELD AS A HYBRID MEETING ON WEDNESDAY 15 JANUARY 2025 AT NEW BRIGHTON COMMUNITY CENTRE.**

**Representatives:**

**Argoed Ward:** Cllr Faron Hadfield-Jones, Cllr Paul Jewell, Cllr Ian Jolly, Cllr Hilary McGuill, Cllr Graham Palmer

**New Brighton Ward:** Cllr Rebecca Legge, Cllr Keith Mutch, Cllr Jon McCarron, Cllr Gwilym Owen, Cllr Miriam Shepherd

**In attendance:** Clerk Mared Eastwood  
4 members of the public

1. Apologies

Received from Cllr Roy Marsh, Cllr Rebecca Blanchard, Cllr John Holiday, Cllr Jack Morris.

2. Chair's Report

Chair advised that it had been quiet over the Christmas period but that he had attended at the Standards Committee of Flintshire County Council due to the planning application affecting Bryn Clwyd, Mynydd Isa.

**Resolved: Chair's report was noted.**

3. Clerk's Report

Requests to attend future meetings to give a presentation have been received from Flintshire County Council's Youth Services and Hynet. A letter has been sent to Welsh Government in support of a grant application made by WI Butterflies, Mynydd Isa.

Correspondence has been received regarding the adoption of Hazel Grove.

Chair and Clerk have met with a representative from New Brighton Community Centre to discuss the proposed shared internet connection. NBCC to be responsible for all the installation costs and then a 50:50 split of the internet charges from installation has been agreed.

**Resolved: Clerk's report was noted.**

**4. Co-option of members**  
None

**5. Declaration of interests**

Cllr Hilary McGuill declared an interest in agenda item 12 in that she sits on the Planning Committee and there are two contentious applications being made.

Cllr Faron Hadfield-Jones declared a personal interest in agenda item 7.

Cllr Faron Hadfield-Jones declared a personal and prejudicial interest in agenda item 12 – he has been given a dispensation to attend the meeting and make representations but not to remain for any debate or vote.

**6. Standing Orders**  
Nothing to review

**7. Financial Matters**  
**Resolved:**

**The following invoices were approved to be paid:**

Invoice no.	Supplier	Details	Amount (£)	
E0600UN000	Microsoft	M/soft 365 Business Basic x 15	88.20	Pd
E0600UMS6V	Microsoft	M/soft 365 Business Standard x 1	12.36	Pd
	Internet and telephone	FHJ Computer Support Ltd	225.60	
NBCC488	New Brighton Community Centre	Room hire – 6 November 2024	33.00	
NBCC490	New Brighton Community Centre	Room hire – 20 November 2024	24.75	
TA097165	Flintshire County Council	Supply and installation of new lantern and photocell Argoed Avenue	262.80	
46582	Defib Store	New batteries and pads	813.60	pd
18	MLandscapeUK Ltd	Pruning and waste removal MI Square and Bryn-y-baal Quarry	1,165.00	
03/12/2024	Michelle Jones Gardening	Winter bedding	909.60	
10514	Mega Electrical NW Ltd	Install NB Christmas displays and decorate tree	555.00	
10517	Mega Electrical NW Ltd	Install MI Christmas displays and decorate tree	615.00	
10513	Mega Electrical NW Ltd	Install new Christmas displays and wrap arounds	540.00	

10533	Mega Electrical NW Ltd	Remove NB Christmas displays and tree decorations + storage	627.00	
10 10534	Mega Electrical NW Ltd	Remove MI Christmas displays and tree decorations + storage	687.00	
10532	Mega Electrical NW Ltd	Remove new Christmas displays and storage	648.00	
4090	DM Payroll	Payroll services Oct – March 25	73.50	
EA001199	Flintshire County Council	Summer playscheme	1,915.80	

**The salary costs, precept and bank balances were noted.**

**Approval was given to renew the domain of argoedcommunitycouncil.gov.uk at the cost of £95**

**8. Precept Request**

Clerk explained each line of the draft precept request, which was accepted with no amendments.

**Resolved: To submit a Precept request of £80,785.90, a 0% increase from the previous year.**

**9. To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 4 December 2024**

Minutes of meeting held on 4 December 2024 were considered.

**Resolved: Minutes were approved.**

**10. Notices of Motion**

None received.

**11. Consideration of the playscheme for summer 2025**

Clerk advised that a commitment has already been made to have the playscheme for three years, one of which has already been attended, for a period of three weeks each year. Council has been invited to consider running the playscheme for 6 weeks over the summer, due to its success. Some parents have requested that the provision be extended over the summer.

**Resolved: To trial running the scheme over 6 weeks for this summer and review again prior to committing for 2026/27.**

**12. Planning applications/decisions**

Consideration of the planning applications as follows:

FUL/001091/24 – **a resident’s meeting to discuss this was arranged for 16 January 2025. Agreed to use the PAC response as a basis, but review after the residents’ meeting. An extension for submission of comments has been given to 6 February 2025.**

FUL/001056/24 – **no objection.**

COU/001072/24 –

Cllr Faron Hadfield-Jones raised concerns regarding the potential change of character of a residential area; parking issues with staff, professionals and family visiting the house; safety and security, whether this will open the floodgates to other businesses operating from the residential area.

Cllr Faron Hadfield-Jones then left the meeting, in accordance with the dispensation and the vice-chair, Cllr Miriam Shepherd took over to chair the meeting.

Other concerns raised included establishing what the applicant was offering; is it to the benefit of Flintshire residents; will the children be from Flintshire or outside the area, what impact will this have on local services and schools; could the change of use to C2 then be used by other businesses to support future applications for other C2 businesses?

**Resolved: To arrange a residents meeting and review at next meeting.**

**13. Representatives Report**

None received.

**14. Committee and group reports.**

Chair gave a verbal update from the amenities meeting held on 15 January 2025.

**Resolved: To note the projected costs and proceed with the lighting at Sainsbury's carpark and clearance of the central feature in the Memorial Garden projects.**

**9. Notices of Motion**

None received.

**10. Consideration of revised costings for lighting scheme at Sainsbury's carpark, Mynydd Isa**

Costs previously indicated to be in the region of £7,500-£8,100. Revised quote given as being £9,275 plus VAT as the existing column needs to be replaced due to its age and poor condition and a new feeder pillar will also need to be installed to provide the supply to the CCTV cameras and the new columns as currently the supply comes from the existing column which needs to be replaced.

**11. Further review of gateway signs**

Alternative wording for the signs has been proposed as follows:



12. Consideration of match-funding spend for play-areas  
 Replacement of fencing at Heol Fammau - £5802 plus VAT  
 Replacement of fencing at New Brighton - £4144 plus VAT  
 Replacement of fencing at the Bonc - £2376 plus VAT

13. Planning applications/decisions

**PLANNING APPLICATION CONSULTATION - Ref No: FUL/001091/24**

**PROPOSAL: FULL PLANNING FOR 135 AFFORDABLE DWELLINGS, ON SITE  
PUBLIC OPEN SPACE AND SITE INFRASTRUCTURE.**

**LOCATION: Land off Mold Road & Bryn Road, New Brighton, Mold, Flintshire,  
CH7 6WL**

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

Wording submitted to PAC:

*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.*

**PLANNING APPLICATION CONSULTATION - Ref No: COU/001072/24**

**PROPOSAL: CHANGE OF USE FROM DWELLINGHOUSE TO A CHILDREN'S RESIDENTIAL CARE HOME (CLASS C2) TO ACCOMMODATE 3NO. CHILDREN WITH 3NO. MEMBERS OF STAFF**

**LOCATION: 30, Bryn Clwyd, Mynydd Isa, Mold, CH7 6XW**

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

**PLANNING APPLICATION CONSULTATION - Ref No: FUL/000086/25**

**PROPOSAL: SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION**

**LOCATION: Taronga, Rose Lane, Mynydd Isa, Mold, CH7 6UA**

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

14. Representatives Report

To receive any reports from representatives from outside bodies.

15. Committee and group reports

To consider the minutes of the Amenities Committee dated 15 January 2025.

**Minutes of the Amenities Committee hybrid meeting held at New Brighton Community Centre on Wednesday 15 January 2025 at 6.30pm.**

**PRESENT**

**Committee Members:** Cllr Faron Hadfield-Jones, Cllr Ian Jolly, Cllr Rebecca Legge.

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

1. Apologies

Cllr John Holiday, Cllr Roy Marsh, Cllr Jack Morris, Cllr Keith Mutch, Cllr Miriam Shepherd.

2. Declaration of interests

None declared.

3. Update on:

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.**

**Clerk instructed to proceed with phase one of the lighting of Sainsburys carpark proposal and with clearing the central feature in the Memorial Garden**

4. Request to install new litter bins

Clerk advised that two requests for new litter bins have been received – one near the entrance to Argoed High School and one in the Memorial Garden. Confirmation has been given that Flintshire County Council will add them to the collection round, should the Council decide to proceed.

**Resolved: Clerk to explore options and report back.**

Meeting concluded at 6.35pm

Next Meeting 6.30 pm Wednesday 19 February 2025