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You are summoned to participate in the following meeting:

Cwmbran Community Council

Wednesday 15 December 2021 at 6.00 pm

The meeting will commence at 6.00 pm at the Council House, Ventnor Road, Cwmbran NP44 3JY.

Members of the Council, members of the press and the public may attend in person.

The meeting will also take place remotely using a video conferencing facility in accordance with the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021.

Members of the Council, press or public wishing to attend on a remote basis should notify the Clerk to the Council in advance so that guidance can be provided on how to attend the video conference.

AGENDA

To: Councillors: SWJ Ashley, RM Bennett, AL Bird, SJ Brooks, LJ Chaney, JS Davenne, M Day, LG Johnston, PM Johnston, F Jones, RD Kemp, KK Manneh, S Morgan, J Rees, LM Ryan, M Villars, WJ Walker, DH Williams and LE Williams

For meetings of the Full Council, the Quorum shall be at least a third of the total membership.

1 Apologies for absence

To receive any apologies for absence from members.

Apologies must be submitted in advance by the Member concerned.

(Members are reminded that failure to attend at least one relevant meetings within six months will result in automatic disqualification from holding office unless the absence is approved.)

2 Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interests they may have and to give details of the nature of the interest.

3 Voting

To agree that the manner of any voting at this meeting will be by calling each name alphabetically with a response of 'for,' 'against' or 'abstain.'

4 Chair's Announcements and Vice Chair's Announcements

To receive any announcements from Councillor SJ Brooks and Councillor LG Johnston.

5 Public Question Time

In accordance with the Council's Standing Orders, the opportunity for public questions is hereby included as an item on each Council agenda. Details of any questions submitted will be reported.



(Note: Questions must be submitted to the Clerk in writing within 3 clear working days of the date of the meeting by 12 noon. The period designated for public participation shall not exceed 10 minutes. Each member of the public is entitled to speak once only in respect of business itemised on the agenda and not for more than 10 minutes. A speaker may ask a supplementary question. A question asked by a member of the public during a public participation session at a meeting shall not require a response or debate.

The Chairman may direct that a response to a question posed by a member of the public be referred to a Councillor for an oral response or to an employee for a written or oral response. A record of any public participation session will be included in the minutes of the meeting.)

6 Gwent Police Update/ South Wales Fire & Rescue Service Update

- (i) To receive representatives from Gwent Police who will report to Members and answer Members' questions.
- (ii) To receive representatives from the South Wales Fire & Rescue Service who will report to Members and answer Members' questions.

Members are requested to submit any questions to the Clerk in advance,

7 [Council Meeting 27 October 2021](#)

- (1) To receive and, if approved, confirm the above minutes (attached).

The Chairman will be asked to sign and initial or authenticate the minutes of the above meetings in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12 paragraph 41.

- (2) In relation to Minute CL21/092 (Risk Register 2021/2022), to approve the following addition to the register at section 5, Political/Reputational Risks. This follows discussion between the Members identified in the minutes.

Risk	Initial Risk H/M/L	Outcomes	Response	Residual Risk	Proposed Action	Comments
The Council is unable to assure itself it is making an impact that is commensurate with the resources entrusted to it.	M	Council's reputation is damaged Citizens unwilling to pay required level of precept. Reserves policy could be seen as insufficiently specific. Levels of reserves could be seen as overly high given current levels of need.	Council monitors reserves and has a reserves policy	L	Establish a working group in association with OVW to benchmark activity, performance and level of reserves against comparable councils. To participate in the development of a self-evaluation toolkit for community and town councils in Wales. (Completing the self-evaluation toolkit will also be helpful to the	

					council in completing its annual governance statement and return.)	
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8 Events & Community Projects Committee: 15 November 2021

Enclosed is a copy of the minutes of the above meeting.

- (1) To receive and, if approved, confirm the recommendations in the above minutes.
- (2) In relation to Minute ECP21/006 (Provisional Programme of Events) to determine a way forward in relation to the annual dinner usually held as a Celebration of Cwmbran and its Communities in March. Restrictions associated with Coronavirus may make the staging of this event impractical.

10 Grants to Voluntary Organisations Committee: 15 November 2021

Enclosed is a copy of the minutes of the above meeting.

To receive and, if approved, confirm the recommendations in the above minutes.

11 (a) Environment, Sustainability & Planning Committee: 24 November 2021

Enclosed is a copy of the minutes of the above meeting.

- (1) To receive and, if approved, confirm the recommendations in the above minutes.
- (2) In relation to Minute ESP21/008: (Primary Schools Eco Quiz. 3 February 2022) to report feedback from local schools about potential arrangements for the event.

(b) Planning Consultations

To deal with any outstanding planning consultations from Torfaen County Borough Council.

12 Policy & Finance Committee: 29 November 2021

- (1) Enclosed is a copy of the minutes of the above meeting.

To receive and, if approved, confirm the recommendations in the above minutes.

- (2) In relation to Minute PF21/005 (Accounting Statements and Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2021), to report progress in relation to the external audit. It is understood that an Unqualified Audit Opinion can be expected.



David Collins DMS

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