



Cwmbran Community Council  
Cyngor Cymuned Cwmbrân

You are summoned to participate in the following meeting:

Cwmbran Community Council on Wednesday 16 March 2022 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, 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. Inspector Jennie Tinsley-Brustad has been appointed to new area inspector for Torfaen. She is unable to attend the meeting but a substitute will attend.
- (ii) To receive representatives from the South Wales Fire & Rescue Service who will report to Members and answer Members' questions. The new Station Commander at Cwmbran is Mark Bowditch.

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

## 7 [Council Meeting 9 February 2022](#)

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

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

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

(2) In relation to Minute CL21/127 (Estimates 2022/2023), 2017 election costs were approximately £17,500. The Council has approved the sum of £10,000 but has also set aside £25,000 in Earmarked Reserves to cover elections. Actual costs will depend on the number of contested seats.

Torfaen County Borough has advised of potential additional costs in relation costs in relation to the forthcoming election. Postage costs for Poll Cards could be particularly affected.

It is therefore **recommended** that the Council fund any costs for the forthcoming election over and above £10,000 from Earmarked Reserves. (Elections) Should this prove insufficient the Council could also draw on General Reserves.

## 8 [Events & Community Projects Committee: 14 February 2022](#)

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

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

9 [Grants to Voluntary Organisations Committee: 14 February 2022](#)

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

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

10 [Grant Application](#)

To consider the attached report on an application from Cwmbran Churches Together.

11 (a) [Environment, Sustainability & Planning Committee: 23 February 2022](#)

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

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

**(b) Planning Consultations**

To deal with any outstanding planning consultations.

12 [Policy & Finance Committee: 28 February 2022](#)

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 PF21/046 \(Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Report\) to consider the attached report.](#)

(3) [In relation to Minute PF21/049 \(One Voice Wales Membership 2022/23\), to note the attached letter from One Voice Wales.](#)

(4) To confirm that that Blair Mwendo is added as a signatory to each of the Council's bank and building society accounts (Co-operative Bank, Unity Trust Bank and Monmouthshire Building Society) and permitted to access internet banking. (David Collins will be removed from these accounts on leaving the Council.)

13 **Annual Council**

To confirm that the Annual Council meeting will take place on 18 May 2022 at 6.00 pm. The meeting to be held in person and remotely using a video conferencing facility in accordance with the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021.

14 **Exclusion of the Press & Public**

In view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it is **recommended** that the following matters be considered in private and that the power of exclusion of the public under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act, 1960 be exercised.

15 **Staffing Matters**

To consider the attached report.



**David Collins DMS**

**Clerk to the Council/Clerc i'r Cyngor (Proper Officer / Swyddog Priodol)  
Cwmbran Community Council/Cyngor Cymuned Cwmbrân**

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