



# Cwmbran Community Council Cyngor Cymuned Cwmbrân

You are summoned to participate in the following meeting:

Cwmbran Community Council, **Environment, Sustainability & Planning Committee** on  
Wednesday 23 November 2022.

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. (The meeting will be recorded via Owl for office use only)

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:

- (i) Councillor SWJ Ashley (Chairman)
- (ii) Councillor LJ Chaney
- (iii) Councillor M Day
- (iv) Councillor L Johnston
- (v) Councillor G Lloyd-Tolman
- (vi) Councillor L Lloyd-Tolman
- (vii) Councillor C Morgan
- (viii) Councillor P Seabourne
- (ix) Councillor M Villars (Vice-Chairman)
- (x) Councillor WJ Walker

Also Councillors:

Councillor A Bird  
Councillor Rh Bennett  
Councillor F Jones  
Councillor KK Manneh  
(Ex Officio Members)

*3 Members must be present for the meeting to be quorate.*

To: ALL OTHER MEMBERS FOR INFORMATION

### 1. **Apologies for Absence**

(Must be submitted by the Member concerned in advance of the meeting)

### 2. **Members' Declarations of Interest**

(Must be declared in writing at the meeting)



### 3. [Minutes - 12<sup>th</sup> October 2022](#)

To confirm the attached minutes of the meeting held on 12 October 2022 as a true record. The Minutes to be signed by the Chair.

### 4. **Planning, Highways & Footpaths Matters**

- (a) Torfaen County Borough Council's Planning Officer Helen Smith has been invited to the meeting to explain planning procedures
- (b) Planning Lists - To deal with any outstanding planning consultations
- (c) [To note Schedules of Torfaen County Borough Council Planning Decisions](#)

### 5. **Neighbourhood Services**

- a) Councillor Mandy Owen, Executive Member for Environment (Torfaen County Borough Council) has been invited to attend the meeting. The new Head of Service Simon Anthony has also been invited to the meeting. All Members are welcome to attend.

- *Members are requested to submit any questions to the Clerk in advance.*

*At the last Council Meeting (CL22/053) Members noted improvements with issues experienced in the Llantarnam Ward regarding collections. However, Ward Councillors would like reassurances on what contingency plans are in place to prevent these issues from arising in the future.*

- b) Members agreed to match fund £2,000 with TCBC (NO5 Environmental Projects), an area of wildflower meadow with guidance from Veronika Brannovic

To receive an update.

### 6. **Seminars & Outside Bodies: Monmouthshire, Brecon & Abergavenny Canal Trust**

At the last meeting members expressed concerns that some areas of the canal in Cwmbran had been neglected. Members suggested that enquiries were made with Torfaen County Borough Council.

Please welcome Alice Rees (Canal Co-ordinator) from Torfaen County Borough Council to the meeting.

### 7. **Future, New Environmental Projects/Well-Being & Anti-Poverty/Foodbanks**

- (a) The Winter Warmer Scheme – To receive a progress report
- (b) Fuel Banks Scheme – To receive a progress report
- (c) Costings for daffodils, 2 x new litter bins for Hollybush Road and Two Locks Road and a noticeboard for Two Locks Road – To receive a report.

### 8. [Welsh Government – The Section 6 Biodiversity & Ecosystem Resilience Duty](#)

Under the Environment (Wales) Act 2016, the act requires that public authorities maintain and enhance biodiversity and promote the resilience of ecosystems throughout all their functions.

The duty includes a 3 yearly requirement that public authorities must publish a report detailing the actions taken to help maintain and enhance biodiversity. The second round of reports are due at the end of this year.

The Welsh Government report identifies and understands that Community Councils have limited opportunities to help biodiversity but any action that the Council can take, no matter how small, will assist in complying with the duty.

Please see attached report for members' consideration.

## 9. Exclusion of the Press & Public

In view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it is **recommended** that the following matter 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.

## 10. Task Force Performance Information

To consider the attached Performance Information. The format of the information has been revised to reflect discussions with Members.

At the last meeting Members were pleased to note that the Task Force would be prepared to install basic draft proofing measures into Cwmbran homes. It was agreed that this would be deferred to this meeting for further consideration.

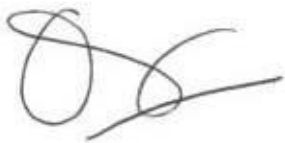
At the last meeting, it was agreed that members identify the possibility of obtaining Noticeboards for the wards within Cwmbran Community Council that did not have one, or simply just needed replacing.

For Members consideration.

## 11. Revenue Estimates 2023-24

Please see attached Revenue Estimates for code N – Environment, Sustainability & Planning and code M – Task Force

To consider the Revenue Estimates for 2023-24.



**Clare Facey**

**Acting Clerk to the Council/Clerc i'r Cyngor (Proper Officer / Swyddog Priodol)  
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