



Cwmbran Community Council Cyngor Cymuned Cwmbrân

You are summoned to attend the following meeting:

Policy & Finance Committee

Monday 22 October 2018 @ 6.00pm

Venue: Council Chamber Council House, Ventnor Road, Cwmbran NP44 3JY

To: Councillors:

- (i) Councillor Rh Bennett
- (ii) Councillor M Day
- (iii) Councillor N Hopkins
- (iv) Councillor LG Johnston (Vice Chairman)
- (v) Councillor M Johnston
- (vi) Councillor RD Kemp
- (vii) Councillor KK Manneh
- (viii) Councillor M Villars
- (ix) Councillor WJ Walker
- (x) Councillor DH Williams

Also Councillors:

Councillor PJ Cathcart
Councillor AL Bird
Councillor SJ Brooks
Councillor SWJ Ashley (Chairman)
(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**

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

(Must be declared in writing at the meeting)

Finance and Audit Items

3. **[Itemised Schedule of Receipts & Payments \(August 2018\)](#)**

Schedules of receipts & payments and [bank reconciliation](#) are attached for members only. (Members of the public may obtain this information from the Clerk to the Council).



Governance Items

4. **[Independent Remuneration Panel draft Annual Report 2019/20](#)**

The Independent Remuneration Panel draft Annual Report 2019/20 has now been published for consultation and is available on its website through the related link on the right hand side of this web page:

[Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Draft Annual Report - February 2019](#)

Section 13 (attached) relates specifically to Community and Town Councils.

The Panel has asked to receive any comments by **27 November 2018**.

5. **[Annual Pay Policy](#)**

To review the attached annual pay policy.

6. **Governance & Constitutional Matters: General**

A list of governance and constitutional documents has now been prepared and is available in the Council Chamber. A document management system has also been introduced into the index to categorise the different types of governance activity and record key dates. Most of the documents can also be viewed on-line at www.cwmbran.gov.uk . This will play an important part in helping Members “own” the Council’s governance arrangements and keep them under regular review.

Well-being Item

7. **Local Councils in Partnership Workshop 25 October 2018**

To report arrangements for the above, which will consider ways in which the work of town & community councils can be aligned to local well-being objectives. (Oral report from the Clerk)

Other Items

8. **Request for Financial Assistance**

At a meeting held on 8 October 2018, the Council’s Grants to Voluntary Organisations Committee considered a request for assistance from the Co Star Partnership to purchase toiletries and dry produce (tins, packets etc.) to give out to people in crisis. A report considered by the committee can be viewed [here](#).

The committee recommend that the Council’s Policy & Finance Committee makes a donation of £500 form within the Council’s budget for Anti-Poverty (I20)

(A similar award was made in 2017. This is therefore an exemption to the Council’s policy not to consider grant application requests from an organisation more than once every two years as the finance would not come from the Council’s Grants budget.)

9. [Rainbow Flag](#)

To consider the attached report.

Members of the Events & Community Projects Committee are invited to attend for this item.

10. **Seminars & Outside Bodies**

To consider reports in relation to seminars and meetings of outside bodies, attended by representatives of the Council.

- (i) [Congress Theatre Board](#) (report attached) 10 September 2018
- (ii) [Understanding Welsh Places Focus Group](#) 17 September 2018
(One Voice Wales/Institute of Welsh Affairs)
(report attached)
- (iii) One Voice Wales Gwent Valleys Area Committee 9 October 2018

This meeting was attended by Councillors SWJ Ashley, SJ Brooks and the Clerk. The Guest Speaker was Andrew Charles, Communities Division, Welsh Government, who discussed community Asset Transfers with particular reference to [Prosperity for All: The National Strategy](#).

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.

A written report will be circulated at the meeting.

- (iv) Cwmbran Centre for Young People 27 September 2018
Management Committee

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.

11. **Renewal of Insurance**

To consider the attached report.

David Collins DMS
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