

Wednesday, 9 January 2019

Notice of meeting

County Council

**Thursday, 17th January, 2019 at 2.00 pm,
Council Chamber, County Hall, The Rhadyr, Usk, NP15 1GA**

AGENDA

Prayers will be said prior to the Council meeting at 1.55pm. All members are welcome to join the Chairman for prayers should they wish to do.

Item No	Item	Pages
1.	Apologies for absence	
2.	Declarations of interest	
3.	Public Open Forum	
4.	Chairman's announcement and receipt of petitions	1 - 2
5.	Notices of motion:	
5.1.	<p>From County Councillor D. Batrouni</p> <p>That this Council is dismayed and disappointed that the Tory administration has failed to deliver an "evidence based proposition" for the creation of a Local Housing Company by September 2018. That this Council asks for an explanation from the administration as to why this has not happened and seek reassurances such a proposition comes to Council as soon as possible.</p>	
5.2.	<p>From County Councillor D. Batrouni</p> <p>That this Council notes evidence from some Chepstow primary schools of the negative impact the introduction of a charge for the childcare element of free school breakfasts has had on admissions; regrets its negative effect on social justice in the county; and asks the Tory administration to urgently review its regressive policy.</p>	
5.3.	From County Councillor P. Fox	

This Council reaffirms its support for the proposed M4 Relief Road, recognising how fundamental it will be in unlocking the economic future of South Wales following the welcome decision to remove the Severn Bridge tolls.

The Council is extremely disappointed that progress towards a positive decision has stalled and calls on the Welsh Government to demonstrate its unequivocal support to the communities and businesses of South Wales by delivering this key piece of infrastructure.

To these ends the Council asks the Leader to write to the First Minister expressing its views.

6. Members questions:

6.1. From County Councillor D. Batrouni to County Councillor P. Murphy

How many staff were suspended in 2018 and what was the average length of suspension?

6.2. From County Councillor B. Strong to County Councillor R. John

Would the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People explain the impact of proposed changes to school catchment areas on families in Usk?

7. Reports of the Head of Policy and Governance:

7.1. DIARY OF MEETINGS 2019/2020

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7.2. APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES - COMMUNITY HEALTH COUNCIL

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8. Reports of the Chief Officer, Enterprise:

8.1. COUNCIL TAX REDUCTION SCHEME 2019/20

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8.2. PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF THE FORMER MOD RAILWAY LINE, CRICK TO CAERWENT

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9. To confirm the minutes of the meeting of County Council held on 20th December 2018

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10. To note the County Council Action List

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Paul Matthews

Chief Executive / Prif Weithredwr

MONMOUTHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
CYNGOR SIR FYNWY

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMITTEE IS AS FOLLOWS:

County Councillors:

P. Clarke
D. Batrouni
D. Blakebrough
M. Powell
V. Smith
D. Dovey
A. Easson
R. Edwards
D. Evans
P.A. Fox
R.J.W. Greenland
L. Guppy
R. Harris
J. Higginson
G. Howard
S. Howarth
D. Jones
P. Jones
S. Jones
S.B. Jones
P. Jordan
P. Murphy
B. Strong
F. Taylor
A. Watts
A. Webb
K. Williams
J.Becker
L.Brown
A.Davies
L.Dymock
M.Feakins
M.Groucutt
R.John
L.Jones
M.Lane
P.Pavia
J.Pratt
R.Roden
T.Thomas
J.Treharne
J.Watkins
S. Woodhouse

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Aims and Values of Monmouthshire County Council

Our purpose

Building Sustainable and Resilient Communities

Objectives we are working towards

- Giving people the best possible start in life
- A thriving and connected county
- Maximise the Potential of the natural and built environment
- Lifelong well-being
- A future focused council

Our Values

Openness. We are open and honest. People have the chance to get involved in decisions that affect them, tell us what matters and do things for themselves/their communities. If we cannot do something to help, we'll say so; if it will take a while to get the answer we'll explain why; if we can't answer immediately we'll try to connect you to the people who can help – building trust and engagement is a key foundation.

Fairness. We provide fair chances, to help people and communities thrive. If something does not seem fair, we will listen and help explain why. We will always try to treat everyone fairly and consistently. We cannot always make everyone happy, but will commit to listening and explaining why we did what we did.

Flexibility. We will continue to change and be flexible to enable delivery of the most effective and efficient services. This means a genuine commitment to working with everyone to embrace new ways of working.

Teamwork. We will work with you and our partners to support and inspire everyone to get involved so we can achieve great things together. We don't see ourselves as the 'fixers' or problem-solvers, but we will make the best of the ideas, assets and resources available to make sure we do the things that most positively impact our people and places.

