

County Hall Rhadyr Usk NP15 1GA

Wednesday, 11 September 2019

## **Notice of meeting**

# **County Council**

# Thursday, 19th September, 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.

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11.	Notices of Motion			
11.1.	Submitted by County Councillor A. Easson			
	At the June meeting of Council it was agreed to set in motion plans and an implementation programme to address the safety of pedestrians, cyclists and motorists, and all other road users along the B4245 between Caldicot and Magor. Can an update be given on the preparations made since June?			
	Since that meeting another very serious accident has taken place, leaving a cyclist in an extremely critical condition.			
	I move, therefore, that a capital programme of at least £300K (based upon 2012 costing) be created with funding being brought forward to expedite the need to carry out that implementation programme.			
11.2.	Submitted by County Councillor D Batrouni			
	That this Council expresses huge disappointment that the Conservative Administration has failed to deliver a 'Tackling Poverty Strategy' and requests that the Cabinet develops a plan and publishes it as soon as possible.			
	That the Council also publishes accompanying documents such as a 'Delivery Framework Plan' and a 'Guide to Understanding and Defining Poverty in Monmouthshire'			
12.	Members Questions			
12.1.	From County Councillor S. Howarth to County Councillor P. Fox, Leader of the Council			
	Would the leader of the Council please say whether he feels happy with the outcomes of the concerns from Monmouthshire residents with reference to the Heads of Valley A465 Road scheme operated by the Welsh Government and contracted to build and design by Costains Group plc.			

# 12.2. From County Councillor P. Pavia to County Councillor P. Fox, Leader of the Council

Can the Leader of the Council provide an update on the second WelTAG phase, which is developing a case for a bypass for Chepstow?

# 12.3. From County Councillor P. Pavia to County Councillor P. Jones, Cabinet Member for Social Care, Safeguarding and Health

Can the Cabinet Member for Social Care provide an update on the authority's response to the Welsh Government's policy decision of setting targets to cut the number of children in care?

# 12.4. From County Councillor M. Powell to County Councillor J. Pratt, Cabinet Member for Infrastructure and Neighbourhood Services

Would the Cabinet Member look into the rules regarding the granting of licences to mobile traders and stalls on both the town streets and amenity areas. The shop keepers of our towns pay high business rates for their premises. Surely we should be supporting them as they are the backbone of the towns. They have to trade in the quiet times as well as the bank holidays and should be able to take advantage of the better days.

I thought we had a policy that no mobile units or stalls should be allowed to set up in streets where there are residential shops selling similar goods and services.

MCC has invested a great deal of money improving the amenity areas and providing pedestrianisation. For example, St John's Square in Abergavenny is a place for people to sit, relax and enjoy the ambience of the area. There are plenty of cafes and restaurants nearby to provide them with refreshments, without large burger vans taking up a large area of the square and taking custom from the residential premises. Also these vans do sometimes request electricity to be supplied.

Please give our resident traders a fair crack of the whip.

Granted we do have food stalls of all types during the Food Festival, but that is a one off event.

It would be not only courteous, but sensible if when MCC are approached for such licences, that the local Councillors were consulted.

# 12.5. From County Councillor D. Batrouni to County Councillor P. Jordan, Cabinet Member for Governance and Law

Could the Cabinet Member update Council on the impact of the Climate Change motion on all decision making processes in Council?

#### 13. To confirm the minutes of the meeting of Council held on 18th July 2019

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## **Chief Executive / Prif Weithredwr**

# MONMOUTHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL CYNGOR SIR FYNWY

## THE CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMITTEE IS AS FOLLOWS:

County Councillors:
P. Clarke
D. Batrouni

J.Becker

D. Blakebrough

L.Brown

A.Davies

D. Dovey

L.Dymock

A. Easson

R. Edwards

D. Evans

M.Feakins

P.A. Fox

R.J.W. Greenland

M.Groucutt

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R. Harris

J. Higginson

G. Howard

S. Howarth

R.John

D. Jones

L.Jones

P. Jones

S. Jones

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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.