

County Hall Rhadyr Usk NP15 1GA

Wednesday, 27 February 2019

Notice of meeting

County Council

Thursday, 7th March, 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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1.	Apologies for absence	
2.	Declarations of interest	
3.	Public Questions	
4.	Chairman's announcement and receipt of petitions	1 - 2
5.	Notices of Motion:	
5.1.	From County Councillor D. Batrouni	
	That this Council notes and welcomes the Welsh government's announcement to increase its capital grant to 65% - or 75% if the school has an additional learning needs or pupil referral unit – for the 21 st century school programme. Further notes that the Mutual Investment Model's (MIM) intervention rate has been increased to 81% if that option is chosen. Therefore, the Labour group asks the Tory administration to bring forward the rebuilding of Chepstow Comprehensive school, so the families and young people of Chepstow get a 21 st century school sooner than currently planned.	
6.	Members Questions:	
6.1.	From County Councillor P. Pavia to County Councillor S. Jones	
	Given the growing digital divide in our county, can the Cabinet Member update us on the rollout of the Superfast Cymru project and what the council itself is	

	doing to address the issue of digital deprivation?	
6.2.	From County Councillor P. Pavia to County Councillor P. Fox	
	In light of the recent report published by the Wales Audit Office into Brexit preparedness of public sector organisations, can the Leader provide an update into the measures the authority is taking to prepare our county for Britain's exit from the European Union?	
6.3.	From County Councillor P. Pavia to County Councillor P. Fox	
	Following the publication of the Welsh Transport Appraisal Guidance (WeITAG) Stage 1 for the A48 Chepstow, can the Leader provide an update on the progress the authority is making to jointly commission WeITAG Stage 2?	
6.4.	From County Councillor L. Jones to County Councillor R. John	
	Would the Cabinet Member for Education make a statement on the results of 2018/19 national categorisation?	
7.	County Councillor R. John - Statement on childcare provision in Monmouthshire	
8.	Report of the Head of Legal Services/Monitoring Officer:	
8.1.	Appointment of Standards Committee Independent Members	
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Paul Matthews

Chief Executive / Prif Weithredwr

MONMOUTHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL CYNGOR SIR FYNWY

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County Councillors:

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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.