

Neuadd y Sir Y Rhadyr Brynbuga NP15 1GA

County Hall Rhadyr Usk NP15 1GA

Wednesday, 16 September 2015

## Notice of meeting / Hysbysiad o gyfarfod:

# **County Council**

## Thursday, 24th September, 2015 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.	Public Open Forum	
3.	Chairman's report and receipt of petitions	1 - 2
4.	Declarations of interest	
5.	Police and Crime Commissioner Briefing	
6.	To confirm and sign the minutes of the following meetings:	
7.1.	Special Council Meeting 30th July 2015	3 - 4
7.2.	Council Meeting 30th July 2015	5 - 16
8.	Notices of Motion:	
8.1.	Submitted by County Councillor P. Fox	
	Given the horrific refugee crisis resulting from the wars in Syria and elsewhere this Council will make contact with Her Majesty's Government and offer to provide humanitarian aid for a limited number of refugees. In such a fast moving situation it is difficult to assess the most beneficial forms of support. Consequently we ask our Strong Communities committee to liaise with others to best target the Council's response. We will seek financial support from	

	HMG and the Welsh Government and assurances from WG that medical aid will be offered by the Welsh Health Service.	
8.2.	Submitted by County Councillor D. Batrouni:	
	This Council notes with concern the significant year on year drop in A level grades in Monmouthshire schools. In some cases achievement dropped significantly leaving our young people at a serious disadvantage when seeking employment or university places. Despite the hard work of teachers and students, the Conservative-led cabinet continue to let down sections of our young people in education. The Labour Group call on this administration to explain exactly what it intends to do to remedy this situation?	
9.	To receive the minutes of the following meetings:	
9.1.	Democratic Services Committee 29th June 2015	17 - 22
10.	Report of the Chief Officer, Social Care and Health:	
10.1.	Corporate Parenting Annual Report	23 - 30
11.	Reports of the Head of Finance/S151 Officer:	
11.1.	Audit of Financial Statements report and Annual Accounts 2014-15	31 - 164
11.2.	Car Park at Mardy Park Resource Centre	165 - 176
12.	Report of the Head of Policy and Engagement:	
12.1.	Stage 2 Improvement Plan	177 - 244
13.	Members' Questions	
13.1.	From County Councillor S. White to County Councillor G. Howard:	
	At a Planning Meeting in August the agenda for Wonastow Road LDP Developers informed members that money will be set aside for the maintenance and upkeep of the encased Wonastow Brook with pavement covering it to make a footpath. Which department of the Council will be responsible for the recovery of the money for the maintenance and upkeep of said brook and pavement? How many times a year will it be dredged to clear debris? How much money will we receive, will it be a one off payment and when it runs out where will the funds come from as we know MCC has no money for extra works?	
13.2.	From County Councillor V. Smith to County Councillor S.B. Jones:	

13.3.	Can the Cabinet Member please advise of what progress has been made with regard to consultation with various bodies over speed limits along the A472 between Coleg Gwent Equestrian Centre and Alexandra Terrace. From County Councillor Blakebrough to County Councillor Greenland:
	'Council will have noted the recent announcement from Morrisons of declining profits, the closure of a number of outlets and the sale of their convenience stores. The company has also withdrawn from a number of new build projects. Given that state of affairs, will the Cabinet Member inform us as to when he last met with Morrisons Management, what assurances he has been given about the Abergavenny development, what timescale is envisaged for completion of the project and whether he remains confident that it will in fact go ahead?
13.4.	From County Councillor Batrouni to County Councillor G. Howard
	How many fixed penalties notices did the Council issue for dog fouling in (i) 2015 to date, (ii) 2014, (iii) 2013 and (iv) 2012?

# Paul Matthews

# **Chief Executive / Prif Weithredwr**

## MONMOUTHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL CYNGOR SIR FYNWY

## THE CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMITTEE IS AS FOLLOWS:

**County Councillors:** 

D. Batrouni J. Prosser D. Blakebrough M. Powell V. Smith G. Burrows R. Chapman P. Clarke J. Crook D. Dovey G. Down A. Easson D. Edwards R. Edwards D. Evans P. Farley P.A. Fox J. George R.J.W. Greenland L. Guppy E. Hacket Pain R. Harris B. Hayward M. Hickman J. Higginson P.A.D. Hobson G. Howard S. Howarth D. Jones P. Jones S. Jones S.B. Jones P. Jordan J. Marshall P. Murphy B. Strong F. Taylor A. Watts P. Watts A. Webb S. White K. Williams A. Wintle

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# **Aims and Values of Monmouthshire County Council**

### **Sustainable and Resilient Communities**

#### Outcomes we are working towards

#### Nobody Is Left Behind

- Older people are able to live their good life
- People have access to appropriate and affordable housing
- People have good access and mobility

#### People Are Confident, Capable and Involved

- People's lives are not affected by alcohol and drug misuse
- Families are supported
- People feel safe

#### **Our County Thrives**

- Business and enterprise
- People have access to practical and flexible learning
- People protect and enhance the environment

#### **Our priorities**

- Schools
- Protection of vulnerable people
- Supporting Business and Job Creation
- Maintaining locally accessible services

#### Our Values

- **Openness:** we aspire to be open and honest to develop trusting relationships.
- **Fairness:** we aspire to provide fair choice, opportunities and experiences and become an organisation built on mutual respect.
- **Flexibility:** we aspire to be flexible in our thinking and action to become an effective and efficient organisation.
- **Teamwork:** we aspire to work together to share our successes and failures by building on our strengths and supporting one another to achieve our goals.

# Nodau a Gwerthoedd Cyngor Sir Fynwy

## Cymunedau Cynaliadwy a Chryf

### Canlyniadau y gweithiwn i'w cyflawni

### Neb yn cael ei adael ar ôl

- Gall pobl hŷn fyw bywyd da
- Pobl â mynediad i dai addas a fforddiadwy
- Pobl â mynediad a symudedd da

### Pobl yn hyderus, galluog ac yn cymryd rhan

- Camddefnyddio alcohol a chyffuriau ddim yn effeithio ar fywydau pobl
- Teuluoedd yn cael eu cefnogi
- Pobl yn teimlo'n ddiogel

### Ein sir yn ffynnu

- Busnes a menter
- Pobl â mynediad i ddysgu ymarferol a hyblyg
- Pobl yn diogelu ac yn cyfoethogi'r amgylchedd

### Ein blaenoriaethau

- Ysgolion
- Diogelu pobl agored i niwed
- Cefnogi busnes a chreu swyddi
- Cynnal gwasanaethau sy'n hygyrch yn lleol

### Ein gwerthoedd

- Bod yn agored: anelwn fod yn agored ac onest i ddatblygu perthnasoedd ymddiriedus
- **Tegwch:** anelwn ddarparu dewis teg, cyfleoedd a phrofiadau a dod yn sefydliad a adeiladwyd ar barch un at y llall.
- **Hyblygrwydd:** anelwn fod yn hyblyg yn ein syniadau a'n gweithredoedd i ddod yn sefydliad effeithlon ac effeithiol.
- **Gwaith tîm:** anelwn gydweithio i rannu ein llwyddiannau a'n methiannau drwy adeiladu ar ein cryfderau a chefnogi ein gilydd i gyflawni ein nodau.