

Wednesday, 12 July 2023

Notice of meeting

County Council

**Thursday, 20th July, 2023 at 2.00 pm,
Council Chamber, County Hall, The Rhadyr, Usk, NP15 1GA**

AGENDA

Prayers will be said prior to the Council meeting at 1.50pm. All members are welcome to join the Chair for prayers should they wish to do.

Item No	Item	Pages
1.	Apologies for absence	
2.	Declarations of interest	
3.	Chair's Announcement	1 - 2
3.1.	Presentation - Freedom of the Borough	
4.	To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd June 2023	3 - 6
5.	RECRUITMENT OF MONMOUTHSHIRE LOCAL ACCESS FORUM	7 - 18
6.	CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT	19 - 22
7.	Motions to Council	
7.1.	<p>Submitted by County Councillor Frances Taylor</p> <p>Magor with Undy Walkway Station is a unique concept and has enjoyed cross group support from Monmouthshire Council, Welsh Government and UK Government.</p> <p>Magor with Undy Walkway Station is one of the recommendations of Lord Burns and the South East Wales Transport Commission (SEWTC) and Monmouthshire Council is a key stakeholder in the Burns Delivery Board. On behalf of MAGOR (Magor Action Group on Rail), we call on this council to reconfirm their absolute commitment to the unique Walkway concept and to</p>	

	<p>agree to write to TfW and Network Rail:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To confirm that the Walkway Concept is set in stone. 2. To further lobby for Magor with Undy Walkway station to be recognised as a “quick win” for the Burns Delivery Unit, recognising Magor station has significant advantages in terms of deliverability with respect to engineering, cost and critically the climate emergency. 3. To request early sight of the station designs prior to being released for public consultation in the autumn. 	
8.	Members Questions	
8.1.	From County Councillor Richard John to County Councillor Sara Burch, Cabinet Member for Inclusive and Active Communities	
	Will the cabinet member make a statement on provision for the gypsy and traveller community in Monmouthshire?	
8.2.	From County Councillor Louise Brown to County Councillor Martyn Groucutt, Cabinet Member for Education	
	Will the Cabinet Member for Education make a statement about the recent home to school transport 2024/25 consultation?	
8.3.	From County Councillor Tony Kear to County Councillor Catrin Maby, Cabinet Member for Climate Change and the Environment	
	Will the Cabinet Member for Climate Change and the Environment make a statement on the Council's policy position regarding the cutting of hedgerows and verges on C-roads and those adjacent to road junctions and crossings?	
8.4.	From County Councillor Paul Pavia to County Councillor Martyn Groucutt, Cabinet Member for Education	
	Will the Cabinet Member for Education make a statement about the ongoing concerns at Caldicot School?	
9.	Date of next meeting - 21st September 2023	
10.	To exclude the press and public from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information	23 - 24
11.	Appointment of Chief Officer Law and Governance and Monitoring Officer	

Paul Matthews

Chief Executive / Prif Weithredwr

**MONMOUTHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
CYNGOR SIR FYNWY**

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMITTEE IS AS FOLLOWS:

County Councillor Rachel Buckler	Devauden;	Welsh Conservative Party
County Councillor Laura Wright	Grofield;	Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru
County Councillor Tony Kear	Llanbadoc & Usk;	Welsh Conservative Party
County Councillor Catrin Maby	Drybridge;	Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru
County Councillor Jan Butler	Goetre Fawr;	Welsh Conservative Party
County Councillor Ian Chandler	Llantilio Crossenny;	Green Party
County Councillor Sara Burch	Cantref;	Labour and Co-Operative Party
County Councillor Alistair Neill	Gobion Fawr;	Welsh Conservative Party
County Councillor Su McConnel	Croesonen;	Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru
County Councillor Mary Ann Brocklesby	Llanelly Hill;	Labour and Co-Operative Party
County Councillor Fay Bromfield	Llangybi Fawr;	Welsh Conservative Party
County Councillor Jane Lucas	Osbaston;	Welsh Conservative Party
County Councillor Emma Bryn	Wyesham;	Independent Group
County Councillor Peter Strong	Rogiet;	Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru
County Councillor Meirion Howells	Llanbadoc & Usk;	Independent
County Councillor Paul Griffiths	Chepstow Castle & Larkfield;	Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru
County Councillor Jackie Strong	Caldicot Cross;	Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru
County Councillor Rachel Catherine Garrick	Caldicot Castle;	Labour and Co-Operative Party
County Councillor Maria Stevens	Severn;	Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru
County Councillor Steven Garratt	Overmonnow;	Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru
County Councillor Angela Sandles	Magor East with Undy;	Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru
County Councillor Ben Callard	Llanfoist & Govilon;	Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru
County Councillor John Crook	Magor East with Undy;	Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru
County Councillor Tomos Dafydd Davies	Llanfoist & Govilon;	Welsh Conservative Party
County Councillor Dale Rooke	Chepstow Castle & Larkfield;	Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru
County Councillor Catherine Fookes	Town;	Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru
County Councillor Sue Riley	Bulwark and Thornwell;	Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru
County Councillor Jayne McKenna	Mitchel Troy and Trellech United;	Welsh Conservative Party
County Councillor Jill Bond	West End;	Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru
County Councillor Louise Brown	Shirenewton;	Welsh Conservative Party
County Councillor Lisa Dymock	Portskewett;	Welsh Conservative Party
County Councillor Tony Easson	Dewstow;	Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru
County Councillor Christopher Edwards	St. Kingsmark;	Welsh Conservative Party
County Councillor Martyn Groucutt	Lansdown;	Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru
County Councillor Simon Howarth	Llanelly Hill;	Independent Group
County Councillor Richard John	Mitchel Troy and Trellech United;	Welsh Conservative Party
County Councillor David Jones	Crucorney;	Independent Group
County Councillor Penny Jones	Raglan;	Welsh Conservative Party
County Councillor Malcolm Lane	Mardy;	Welsh Conservative Party
County Councillor Phil Murphy	Caerwent;	Welsh Conservative Party
County Councillor Paul Pavia	Mount Pleasant;	Welsh Conservative Party
County Councillor Maureen Powell	Pen Y Fal;	Welsh Conservative Party
County Councillor Frances Taylor	Magor West;	Independent Group
County Councillor Tudor Thomas	Park;	Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru

County Councillor Armand Watts
County Councillor Ann Webb

Bulwark and Thornwell;
St Arvans;

Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru
Welsh Conservative Party

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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.

Kindness: We will show kindness to all those we work with putting the importance of relationships and the connections we have with one another at the heart of all interactions.

