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Friday, 9 October 2026

Notice of meeting

Monmouthshire Farm School Endowment Trust

Monday, 19th October, 2026 at 11.00 am
Remote Meeting

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Paul Matthews

Chief Executive

**MONMOUTHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
CYNGOR SIR FYNWY**

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMITTEE IS AS FOLLOWS:

Trustees:

Martyn Groucutt
David Jones
Jayne McKenna
Phil Murphy
Maria Stevens
Laura Wright
M. Cross
C. Andrews
R. Clark
M. Rees
P. James
W. Symondson

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Aims and Values of Monmouthshire County Council

Our purpose

To become a zero-carbon county, supporting well-being, health and dignity for everyone at every stage of life.

Objectives we are working towards

- Fair place to live where the effects of inequality and poverty have been reduced.
- Green place to live and work with reduced carbon emissions and making a positive contribution to addressing the climate and nature emergency.
- Thriving and ambitious place, where there are vibrant town centres and where businesses can grow and develop.
- Safe place to live where people have a home where they feel secure in.
- Connected place where people feel part of a community and are valued.
- Learning place where everybody has the opportunity to reach their potential.

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.

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MONMOUTHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Monmouthshire Farm School Endowment Trust held
on Friday, 24th July, 2026 at 11.00 am

PRESENT: County Councillors: Phil Murphy (Chair), Jayne McKenna (Vice Chair), David Jones, Maria Stevens,

Councillors Malcolm Cross (BGCBC), Carol Andrews (CCBC), Richard Clark (TCBC) and Penri James.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Nikki Wellington	Finance and Support Services Manager
Louise Connolly	Accounting Technician Trainee
Nicola Perry	Senior Democracy Officer

APOLOGIES:

Councillors Martyn Groucutt and Laura Wright

1. Election of Chair.

County Councillor Phil Murphy was elected as Chair.

2. Appointment of Vice-Chair.

County Councillor Jayne McKenna was appointed as Vice Chair.

3. Declarations of Interest.

None.

4. To confirm and sign the minutes of the previous meeting of the Monmouthshire Farm School Endowment Trust.

The minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed as an accurate record.

5. Monmouthshire Farm School Endowment Trust Annual Report for the year ended 31st March 2026.

The Finance and Support Services Manager presented the MFSET Annual Report for the year ended 31st March 2026.

We resolved to accept the annual report.

6. To consider whether to exclude the press and public from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business in accordance with Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 12 and 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act. (Proper Officer's view attached).

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We excluded the press and public from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business in accordance with Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 12 and 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

7. To consider a report by the Chief Officer for Children and Young People regarding applications received against the Trust Fund for the Academic Year 2026/27.

We considered application received against the Trust Fund, presented on behalf of the Chief Officer for Children and Young People.

The Trust resolved that an award be made to the applicant, subject to appropriate receipts and evidence of attendance being received.

8. Next Meeting: 19th October 2026 at 11.00am.

Noted.

The meeting ended at 11.30 am

SCHEDULE 12A LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 EXEMPTION FROM DISCLOSURE OF DOCUMENTS

REPORT: APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING

AUTHOR: SUPPORT SERVICES MANAGER - LSE

**MEETING AND DATE
OF MEETING:** MONMOUTHSHIRE FARM SCHOOL
ENDOWEMENT TRUST
MONDAY 19TH OCTOBER 2026

I have considered grounds for exemption of information contained in the report referred to above and make the following recommendation to the Proper Officer:-

Exemptions applying to the report:

Likely to reveal information relating to a particular individual (Paragraph 12).

Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) (Paragraph 14).

Factors in favour of disclosure:

Accountability of the Trustees for the proper disbursement of Trust Funds.

Prejudice which would result if the information were disclosed:

May discourage potential applicants (Applications depend on assessment of financial need).

My view on the public interest test is as follows:

Factors against disclosure outweigh those in favour.

Recommended decision on exemption from disclosure:

Withhold

Date: 1ST October 2026

Signed: Sophie Evans – submitted electronically

Post: Deputy Finance Manager

I accept the recommendation made above.

Nikki Wellington – Submitted electronically
Proper Officer

Date: 1st October 2026

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By virtue of paragraph(s) 12, 14 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A
of the Local Government Act 1972.

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