Chairman 2014/15
Councillor G Davies

The Clerk
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Dear Councillor, 12th January 2015

You are hereby summoned to attend the Ordinary Meeting of the Garw Valley Community Council to be held at the Blaengarw Workmen's Hall on **Monday 19th January 2015 at 6.30pm** for the presentation of the Council plaques as detailed below and for the purpose of transacting the following business. The Meeting will commence after the presentations have been completed at 7pm.

Members are advised to give three days' notice to the Clerk of any questions regarding the business of the Council to be considered at the meeting.

Yours sincerely,

NJ Eyre

Mrs Nicola Eyre BSc ACA
CLERK

Members are reminded that they attended this Meeting under the provisions of the Community Council's Code of Conduct

The press and members of the public are invited to attend

Presentation of Community Council plaques to:

i. Mr Paul Taylor – bronze medallist at the 2014 Commonwealth Games (Lawn Bowls - Men's Triple Competition)

ii. Lance Corporal Ashley Williams – bronze medallist and captained the Wales Boxing Team at the 2014 Commonwealth Games (Boxing - light flyweight)

iii. Miss Rebecca Struthers – represented Wales at both the youth level and senior level in Ladies Cricket

AGENDA

1. To receive apologies for absence

2. To receive declarations of personal and prejudicial interest, if any, from Members in items on the Agenda

3. Chairman's announcements

4. To receive information from the Police and ask questions on the information received

5. To record the accuracy of the Minutes of the November 2014 Ordinary Council Meeting

6. To record the accuracy of the Minutes of the 2015/16 Precept Meeting

7. To report matters arising from the Minutes of the Meeting held on 17th November 2014 not on the Agenda (for information purposes only).

8. Finance & Accounts:

   a) To receive a report and recommendations from the Finance Committee (for information purposes only as the three clear days' notice requirement as defined in Sch 12 para 26 of the Local Government Act could not be adhered to)

   b) To confirm the bank reconciliation of the Council's Bank Accounts as at 31st December 2014 *(Attached)*

   c) To receive and adopt the schedule of payments and receipts from 1st November to 31st December *(Attached)*

   d) To receive the Receipts and Payments Account from 1st April to 31st December 2014 *(Attached)*

   e) To approve the Clerk's expense claim for December – see attached schedule

   f) To approve the expenditure on the Plant! scheme – see attached report.

   g) To approve the costs of the service for the ride-on mower and parts for the two strimmers/brushcutters (details of cost in the Clerk's Report).

   h) To discuss the quotation received to repair the CCTV camera on Pontycymmer Square – see enclosed quotation.

   i) To discuss the request for financial assistance from Marie Curie Cancer Care – copy given to every Member present at the November Ordinary Meeting and sent to the Members not present

   j) To discuss the request for financial assistance from St David's Children Society – paper copy sent to every Member

   k) To discuss the request for financial assistance from the Urdd National Eisteddfod – paper copy sent to every Member

   l) To discuss the request for financial assistance from the Royal Welsh Comrades Association (Bridgend Branch) – paper copy sent to every Member

9. To receive the Clerk's Report *(Attached)*

10. To receive and consider the Correspondence in the *attached schedule.*

11. Planning:

    a) To receive and consider the planning applications below:

       i) P/14/795/FUL – application for a two storey extension at 43 Alexandra Road, Pontycymmer

ii) P/14/811/FUL – application for 8 dwellings with associated soft and hard landscaping (including parking) on land adjacent to 15 Heol Persondy, Bettws – affects Footpath 9. *Please note, this is a resubmission of an early refused application (P/14/402/FUL). Cllr M Jones has formally submitted a response as the Borough Councillor for the Ward fully supporting the application as it will fill a void of housing for single/elderly residents in the area.*

iii) P/14/825/FUL – application for a timber workshop and store for the coppicing and management of a woodland copse at Woodland Copse, off Moel-Gilau Road, near Llety Brongu.

iv) P/14/842/FUL – application for a single storey side extension at 14-16 Y Wern, Bettws (Premier Lloyds Store)

v) P/14/848/BCB – application for the provision of a new English and Welsh Medium Primary School on the current site of Bettws Primary School

b) To note the planning application decisions in the *attached schedule*.

12. To receive an update on the Breathing Spaces land from Cllrs M Jones and Mrs M Thomas and to discuss the update (from the November Ordinary Meeting)

13. To discuss the enforcement action being taken by BCBC with regards to the highway improvements at New Street, Pantygog (from the November Ordinary Meeting)

14. To receive information from Cllr Mrs M Thomas regarding the purchase and refilling of a grit bin (from the November Ordinary Meeting)

15. To discuss the parking problem near the traffic calming measures in Bettws and the need for double yellow lines at this location (DG)

16. To discuss the continued operation of Tynyrheol Primary School and the impact on the children of Llangeinor (MT)

17. Items for the February 2015 Ordinary Council Meeting

18. To confirm that the next ordinary meeting of the Garw Valley Community Council will take place on **Monday 16th February 2015 at 7.00pm** in the Blaengarw Workmen's Hall.