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Markham, Argoed,
Man-moel and Hollybush

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Minutes of Argoed Community Council meeting held on 18th December 2017 at Hollybush Community Centre.

1759 To sign the register and receive apologies

1759.1 Community Councillors present: Chairman M. Williams, A. Davies, G. Lewis, H. Rowlands and J. Watkins.

1759.2 Apologies were received from Cllrs. A. Jones, K. Mills and W. Williams

1760 To receive a report from the Police

1760.1 In his absence, PCSO Jeff Dugmore submitted a written report. PCSO Dugmore had submitted ASBO referrals during the last month. The "Your Voice" surveys had been finalised and the main issue raised was youths congregating at the rear of the Markham Institute. The latest police surgery was at Markham Sports centre on 18th December.

1761 To receive a report from County Councillor Walter Williams.

1761.1 In his absence, Cllr. Williams had submitted a written report highlighting the following items:-

- Voluntary Sector Liaison Committee had met the previous week to discuss funding cuts
- Regeneration & Environment Scrutiny Committee had met to discuss the proposed closure of Pontllanfraith Leisure Centre on Tuesday
- Regeneration & Environment Scrutiny Committee had met to discuss the proposed service cuts worth £7.2M on Wednesday
- Volunteers may be requested to clear snow and spread grit
- Met with Rhiannon Passmore AM about the former Markham Colliery Site. Suggested the Council visit an alternative energy site in Mychynlleth

1762 The minutes of the previous meeting held on 20th November 2017 were **agreed**.

1763 Matters arising:

1763.1 Markham Colliery Site – see Cllr Williams report above

1763.2 Argoed Community Benefit Fund – no new applications for funding

1763.3 Item 1757.1 – it was agreed that the Clerk arrange the Chairman's Annual Dinner on 8th January 2018

1764 The schedule of correspondence provided by the Clerk was received and the required actions **agreed**.

1765 To receive the financial report from the Clerk.

1765.1 The financial position of the Community Council as at 18th December 2017 showed a total balance of £33,701.34

1765.2 The above balance includes £17,000 from the Argoed Community Benefit Fund.

1765.3 It was agreed that the Clerk write to Mr. Phil Griffiths of Caerphilly County Borough Council to request that the damaged seats on the cycle path be replaced.

1765.4 The financial report produced by the Clerk was **agreed**.

1766 Delegates Reports

1766.1 Markham Primary School – it was reported that the school was putting on a Christmas play.

1766.2 Argoed Village Hall – no report

1766.3 Hollybush Community Centre – no report

1766.4 Joint Liaison Committee Meeting – no report

1766.5 Markham House and Leisure Centre – Cllr. Hilary Rowlands reported that the Centre was doing well.

1766.6 Access Forum – no report

1767 Local Reports

1767.1 Argoed – the Chairman reported that the weeding had not been carried out on the western side of Penylan Road. It was also reported that trees had been felled along the cycle path in Argoed.

1767.2 Hollybush – no report

1767.3 Manmoel – Cllr Arthur Davies presented calendars produced by the residents of Manmoel.

1767.4 Markham – Cllr Hilary Rowlands informed the meeting that a carol service was being held in the Chapel on Wednesday 20th at 7 pm.

1768 It was agreed to arrange a special meeting on 22nd January 2018 at Argoed Village Hall to discuss the Argoed Community Benefit Fund.

1769 Planning Applications

1769.1 17/0954/FULL – Smugglers Livery and Equestrian Centre, Smugglers Run, Pen-Deri Farm Lane, Argoed – carry out additions to existing equestrian centre including indoor riding school. - noted

Signed.....Chairman of Argoed Community Council 15th January 2018