



Clerk to the Council/
Clerc i'r Cyngor:

MRS.R.V.TUCKER, B.A.

3rd November/Tachwedd 2020

Dear Sir/Madam, Annwyl Syr/Fadam

You are hereby requested to attend a **MEETING** of the **PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** to be held over Teams on **Wednesday 11th November 2020**.

Gofynnir drwy hyn i chi fynychu **PWYLLGOR CYNLLUNIO A'R AMGYLCHEDD**, yn Rhith Gyfarfod am am **6:30 yf, DYDD TACHWEDD 11 MEDI 2020**.

Yours faithfully/ Yr eiddoch yn gywir

CLERK TO THE COUNCIL/ CLERC I'R CYNGOR

A G E N D A

1. **Apologies**
To receive apologies.
2. **Declarations of Interest**
Members to declare any interests in any items on Agenda.
3. **Planning Applications**
To receive and consider the following planning applications (attached: pages 1 – 2).
4. **Planning Determinations**
To receive planning determinations (attached: pages 3 – 12).

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5. **Amazing Tree**
To receive the Specialist Tree Report from Mr Luke Steer (attached separately)
6. **Forest Schools**
To receive an update on Forest Schools (attached: pages 13 – 14)
7. **Exclusion of Press and Public**
By virtue of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public are excluded from discussions on the following items on the basis that disclosure thereof would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.
8. **Task Force Equipment/Unit**
To receive a further report from the Clerk in respect of the Task Force Unit and equipment as agreed at last meeting (attached: pages 15 – 16)

*To: Cllrs: Mrs G. James, Miss L. Clarkson, N. Byrne, Mrs E. Chilcott JP, D.K. James, Mrs J. E. Jones, J. Killick, B. Rapier, N. Simons, Mrs J. G. Taylor
Chairman and Leader ex officio*

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Planning applications to be commented on

1 *Plan Number* *District reference* *Site reference* *Other reference*
20/P/0270 TREVETHIN Russborough Villa Leigh Road

**Removal of kitchen utility diving wall, block up larder access
and create new, remove diving wall between bedrooms to
create ensuite**

2 *Plan Number* *District reference* *Site reference* *Other reference*
20/P/0444 ABERSYCHAN AND CWMAVON Hillside Victoria Road

**Works to Trees: T1 - remove 4 low branches, prune 3m
clearance from house, crow lift of foliage tips to 4m on west
side. T2 - fell. T3 - lift east and west foliage to 4m. T4 - remove
stub and exposed limb, balance upper east crown foliage tips
up to 1.5m. T5 - Reduce exposed foliage tips by 1.5m. Removal
of deadwood from T1, T3, T4, T5**

3 *Plan Number* *District reference* *Site reference* *Other reference*
20/P/0639 NEW INN UPPER 38 Heol Deiniol

First floor extension to side and rear

4 *Plan Number* *District reference* *Site reference* *Other reference*
20/P/0652 Garndiffatih and Varteg Land Adjacent to 7 Top Road

Proposed detached dwelling

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Planning determinations

1	<i>Plan Number</i>	<i>District reference</i>	<i>Site reference</i>	<i>Other reference</i>
	19/P/0433	NEW INN LOWER	Sunny Bank, Sluvad Road	

PROPOSAL: Proposed roof extension/replacement to include dormers works to front porch and side first floor balcony.

Comment 25/09/19

Comment - No Observations

Decision 01/11/20

Approved

2	<i>Plan Number</i>	<i>District reference</i>	<i>Site reference</i>	<i>Other reference</i>
	19/P/0628	Garndiffaith & Varteg Land	Adjacent to Varteg Motors, Varteg Rd, Varteg	

PROPOSAL: Change of use from agricultural land to provide additional bus/minibus parking associated with the B1 commercial vehicle workshop/sui Generis coach/bus garage.

Comment 07/01/20

This Council has no objections.

Decision 01/11/20

Approved

3	<i>Plan Number</i>	<i>District reference</i>	<i>Site reference</i>	<i>Other reference</i>
	19/P/0636	Garndiffaith & Varteg Land	Adjacent to Varteg Road, Varteg, Pontypool	

PROPOSAL: Change of use from agricultural land to provide relocated staff parking facilities associated with the commercial vehicle bus depot known as Phil Anslow Coaches.

Comment 07/01/20

This Council has no objections.

Decision 01/11/20

Approved

4	<i>Plan Number</i>	<i>District reference</i>	<i>Site reference</i>	<i>Other reference</i>
	19/P/0704	New Inn Upper	Unit A4, Usk Vale Site, Mamhilad	

PROPOSAL: Proposed change of use from Class B1/B2/B8 to a Class A1 retail bakery (restricted).

Comment 07/01/20

This Council has no objections.

Decision 01/11/20

Approved

5 *Plan Number* *District reference* *Site reference* *Other reference*
19/P/0720 New Inn Upper Unit A1/A2 Usk Vale Park,
Mamhilad, Pontypool

PROPOSAL: Retrospective proposed change of use of Units A1/2 from Class B1/B2/B8 Use to Class A1 Retail Use (Restricted), together with associated car parking

Comment 02/01/20

This Council has no objections.

Decision 01/11/20

Approved

6 *Plan Number* *District reference* *Site reference* *Other reference*
20/P/0100 Abersychan and Cwmavon Land At, Valentine Road,
Abersychan

PROPOSAL: Erection of two dwellings.

Comment 23/04/20

This Council has no objections.

Decision 01/11/20

Approved

7 *Plan Number* *District reference* *Site reference* *Other reference*
20/P/0202 NEW INN UPPER Unit A9/10, Uskvale Site,
Mamhilad

Change of use for unit A9 and A10 to be used for the conversion and sale of customised camper vans together with the ancillary sale of other motor vehicles, and for no Class A1 retail purpose.

Comment 22/07/20

This Council has no observations

Decision 01/11/20

Approved

8 *Plan Number* *District reference* *Site reference* *Other reference*
20/P/0257 NEW INN LOWER 12 Princes Walk

Existing hardstanding requires replacing and redevelop adjoining land to extend parking

Comment 08/06/20

This Council has no objections

Decision 01/11/20

Approved

9 *Plan Number* *District reference* *Site reference* *Other reference*
20/P/0308 NEW INN UPPER 17 Usk Road

Installation of precast garage within curtilage of property

Comment 24/06/20

this application was previously declined by Torfaen, planning number: 19/P/0688 subject to revised conditions have the conditions been adhered to.

Decision 01/11/20

Approved

10 *Plan Number* *District reference* *Site reference* *Other reference*
20/P/0365 Pontypool Gwent Garage, Clarence Street,
Pontypool

PROPOSAL: Burger van in yard.

Comment 01/09/20

This Council has no objections

Decision 01/11/20

Approved

11 *Plan Number* *District reference* *Site reference* *Other reference*
20/P/0424 CWMYNYSCOY 20 Farm Road Cwmfields

PROPOSAL: Single storey rear extension

Comment 10/09/20

This Council has no objections

Decision 01/11/20

Approved

12 *Plan Number* *District reference* *Site reference* *Other reference*
20/P/0425 Brynwrn 32 Hanbury Grove, Pontypool,
Torfaen

PROPOSAL: Double storey side extension with dormer roof.

Comment 20/08/20

This Council has no objections

Decision 01/11/20

Approved

13 *Plan Number* *District reference* *Site reference* *Other reference*
20/P/0432 New Inn Upper Instow, 11 Heol Beuno, New Inn

PROPOSAL: 2 Storey side extension with single storey rear extension.

Comment 20/08/20

This Council has no observations.

Decision 01/11/20

Approved

14 *Plan Number* *District reference* *Site reference* *Other reference*
20/P/0462 Abersychan and Cwmavon Victoria Methodist Chapel,
Viaduct Road,

PROPOSAL: Conversion of disused chapel into two dwellings with associated external works.

Comment 10/09/20

This Council has no objections.

Decision 01/11/20

Approved

15 *Plan Number* *District reference* *Site reference* *Other reference*
20/P/0486 NEW INN UPPER The Bays 54 Usk Road

Roof extension to existing garage to provide first floor to accomodate a home office. New access to the rear

Comment 01/09/20

This Council has no objections

Decision 01/11/20

Approved

16 *Plan Number* *District reference* *Site reference* *Other reference*
20/P/0494 SEBASTOPOL EAST 86 Churchwood

PROPOSAL: Single story rear extension

Comment 10/09/20

This Council has no objections

Decision 01/11/20

Approved

17 *Plan Number* *District reference* *Site reference* *Other reference*
20/P/0510 WAINFELIN 15 Fairfield Terrace

Ground floor rear extension

Comment 23/09/20

This Council has no objections

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Approved

18 *Plan Number* *District reference* *Site reference* *Other reference*
20/P/0516 WAINFELIN Hillgrove 92 George Street

Replacement garage and new covered way

Comment 07/10/20

This Council has no objections

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19 *Plan Number* *District reference* *Site reference* *Other reference*
20/P/0524 GARNDIFFAITH AND VARTEG Crown Hotel Varteg Road

Removal of existing chimney stacks (2 in total) to roof level with the reinstatement of the roof with like for like slates and materials

Comment 23/09/20

This Council has no objections.

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20 *Plan Number* *District reference* *Site reference* *Other reference*
20/P/0563 GARNDIFFAITH & VARTEG 12 Varteg Road

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Build a porch to the front of property

Comment 21/10/20

This Council has no objections

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Planning and Environment Committee
Wednesday 11th November 2020
Forest Schools Update

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 To update the Committee on Forest Schools

2.0 Report

- 2.1 At the last Planning and Environment Committee in October it was confirmed that the provision of Forest School lessons be funded by the Council. Despite many attempts made by the Events Officer and the Clerk the gentleman who provides the lessons had not been in contact.
- 2.2 A teacher from Ysgol Bryn Onnen recently contacted the Council to see if funding was available for a Forest School lesson to take place at the school as the school environment would be able to carry out the lesson safely which prompted the first report going to Committee. The School would make their own arrangements regarding the lesson.
- 2.3 An alternative could be that the Forest Schools budget be divided equally between the schools in Pontypool and then the schools could undertake the Forest School lessons themselves. This would only happen this year as Greenmeadow Community Farm would pick up the role of organising the lessons when it re-opens in 2021.
- 2.4 The budget available would be £2000.

3.0 Recommendations

- 3.1 The Committee considers the budget Forest School lessons be divided equally between the schools in Pontypool and the schools undertake the Forest School lessons themselves for this year only.

Annette Ambrosen

Events Officer

3/11/20

