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Dear Member,

You are summoned to attend a hybrid meeting of the Highways and Planning Committee at Town Council Chamber, Blaina Institute, High Street, Blaina. to be held on **Tuesday 12th May 2026 at 6:00pm.**

If any Council Member or member of the public wishes to attend the meeting remotely, please contact the Town Clerk at the above e-mail or phone by 3pm on Tuesday 12th May 2026 for details of how to access the meeting.

Yours sincerely



Town Clerk

AGENDA

A meeting to which members of the public are entitled to attend.

Declaration of Interest

Members are invited to declare matters of interest either at the beginning or at any time during the proceedings. Members are reminded that all declarations of interest must be recorded in the book provided.

1. Apologies for absence:

Members are invited to consider the apologies for absence and to formally resolve to accept.

2. Questions from the public:

To receive any questions from the public regarding matters on the agenda. There is a 10-minute allocation time for any questions from the public.

3. Correspondence:

Members are invited to consider the listed correspondence, plus with the Chair's permission, any urgent information that may well be received prior to the date of the meeting.

- a) Alysha Vacara of The Good Shepard Sanctuary (for information/consideration – copy attached)

Invitation to an event currently being planned for a Masquerade Fundraiser Night to be held during September and a request for any other support that may be offered. Ms Vacara also asks for a short letter of support for an upcoming meeting as they look to become a registered charity. Members will previously recall correspondence from Alysha Vacara looking for a plot of land to set up an animal sanctuary.

4. Planning Applications:

Members are invited to consider the applications listed below and, with the permission of the Chair, any further applications that may be received prior to the date of the meeting:

- a) Plan Application No. P/2026/0068 –Cwm Farm, Oak Road, Tanglewood, Blaina NP13 3JX

Change of use of the site from agricultural to One Planet Development including erection of off-grid low-level impact dwelling, 2 no, walipini greenhouses, water tank shed, conversion of part of machinery barn, mini wind turbine, extensions of tracks and hardstanding (part retention) and drainage infrastructure and associated works. Members will remember a presentation and Q&A with Mr Peter Ivanyi at the meeting of the Full Council on 24th March 2026 for reference.

5. Licence Applications:

Members are invited to note the application(s) **for information only**:

None received to date.

Request for a short note of support – The Good Shepherd Animal Sanctuary

From Alysha Vacara <thegoodshepherdsanctuary@gmail.com>

Date Mon 04/05/2026 10:33

To Arnold, Ben <ben.arnold@blaenau-gwent.gov.uk>; Paige Williams <paigewilliams@acttraining.org.uk>; Brynmawr TC Clerk <clerk@brynmawrtc.co.uk>; Clerk <clerk@nantygloandblainatc.co.uk>

Good morning [Name],

I hope you're well.

I'm reaching out to ask if you would be happy to provide a short email confirming your support for *The Good Shepherd Animal Sanctuary* project.

As you know, we've been working towards establishing a sanctuary for animals in need and the wider community, and we are now re-looking at registering as a charity to help us secure land and move the project forward. We are also currently finalising a number of community fundraising events.

I have an upcoming meeting regarding this, and having a brief note of support would really help demonstrate the level of community backing and potential impact the project already has.

If possible, it would be great to have this before **Monday 18th May**, ahead of our meeting on Tuesday 19th May.

It doesn't need to be anything formal at all just a couple of lines would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you again for all your support so far, it genuinely means a lot to us 💖

Kind regards,

Alysha

The Good Shepherd Animal Sanctuary



THE GOOD SHEPHERD MASQUERADE *Fundraiser Night*

Join us for a special evening of music, masks,
and community as we raise funds for

The Good Shepherd Animal Sanctuary



MASQUERADE
THEME



DJ &
DANCING



LIGHT BUFFET
INCLUDED



RAFFLE WITH
PRIZES



BEST MASK &
BEST DRESSED



LOCATION: TBC



DATE: TBC (SEPTEMBER)



TIME: FROM 7:00PM



TICKETS: £12

THIS WILL BE AN
Adult Only (18+)
EVENT TO CREATE A RELAXED
AND ENJOYABLE ATMOSPHERE
FOR EVERYONE.

FORMAL ATTIRE REQUIRED

IF YOU'D LIKE TO ATTEND,
please message us to reserve your ticket



LOCAL BUSINESSES -- WE'D LOVE YOUR SUPPORT!
WE ARE CURRENTLY LOOKING FOR RAFFLE PRIZE DONATIONS.
IF YOU'D LIKE TO GET INVOLVED, PLEASE GET IN TOUCH!

ALL PROCEEDS
WILL GO TOWARDS
SUPPORTING THE
GOOD SHEPHERD
ANIMAL SANCTUARY

Support Request – Community Fundraising Event.

From Alysha Vacara <thegoodshepherdsanctuary@gmail.com>

Date Sat 02/05/2026 20:47

To Brynmawr TC Clerk <clerk@brynmawrtc.co.uk>; Clerk <clerk@nantygloandblainatc.co.uk>; ALCC ClerkMailbox <clerk@abertilleryandllanhillleth-wcc.gov.uk>

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The Good Shepherd Masquerade poster rough draft.png;

Dear Town Council Members,

I hope you are well.

As you may be aware, we have been continuing our search for suitable land within the local area for The Good Shepherd Animal Sanctuary. While this has proven challenging, we remain committed to making this project a reality and are now taking the next step by beginning to fundraise towards purchasing our own land.

As part of this, we are organising a Masquerade Fundraiser Night to help raise both funds and awareness for the sanctuary. We are also looking to organise additional community fundraising events in the future to continue building support and momentum.

Given your previous support for the project, I wanted to ask whether there may be any support available through the council to help us deliver this community event. This could be in the form of a small grant, venue support, or any guidance you may be able to offer.

We are passionate about creating something positive for the local community, and these events are an important step in helping us move forward.

I have attached our event poster for your reference, and we would also love to welcome any representatives from the council on the evening if available.

Thank you again for your continued support it truly means a great deal to us.

Kind regards,
Alysha Vacara
The Good Shepherd Animal Sanctuary