



Bedwas, Trethomas & Machen Community Council

Minutes of the meeting of FULL COUNCIL,
Council Offices, Newport Road, Bedwas
Thursday 3rd October 2019 at 6.30pm

<u>Present</u>	<u>Apologies</u>
Jill Winslade	Lisa Phipps
David Davies	Elizabeth Aldworth
Daniel Llewellyn	Jan Walsh
Amanda McConnell	June Gale
Chris Morgan (Chair)	Derek Havard
Keith Regan	
Phil Rosser	

Also Present: Marcia Jones (Clerk)
Huw Jackson

POLICE & ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE

385. Police did not attend and no report to present

FULL COUNCIL

386. Result of Election

The Chair confirmed that Daniel Llewellyn was elected to the Bedwas ward following the recent election. He offered the Council's congratulations and welcomed him to the Council and his first meeting.

387. Declarations of Interest.

NONE

388. Apologies for absence.

The apologies were Noted and Accepted

389. Residents Representations

NONE

390. Minutes of meeting 5th September 2019

Agreed as an accurate record and signed by the Chair

Cllr Regan joined the meeting at this point

391. Chairs Announcements

- i. Picnic in the Park – 14/09/2019. A well-planned event supported by CCBC Countryside. Attendance increased from previous years.
- ii. Bedwas High School Awards Evening. Attended by Chair and presented the Molly Cook Award sponsored by BTMCC
- iii. The Chair thanked Cllr Rosser who liaised with the new welsh nursery in Trethomas, Clych Meithrin, on his behalf.
- iv. The memorial garden in progressing and nearing completion. Final planting to take place on 8th October. Hanson will pride a memorial stone for a plaque to commemorate Sgt Williams. Design for gates to be undertaken with assistance from pupils at Bedwas Junior School. Plan to use the garden on Remembrance Sunday with official opening in spring 2020.
- v. MacMillan Coffee. Held in Machen Village Hall on Friday 27th September. The Chair thanked Cllr Gale for arranging. Over £200 raised
- vi. Machen RFC. A banner highlighting the sponsorship provided by BTM CC to the club was unveiled and hope that this encourages other local sporting groups to apply for a grant
- vii. The Chair announced that formal photographs will be taken at the next Council meeting and requests that all councillors are available to attend at 6pm for this purpose

392. Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)

Cllrs Walsh, Phipps and Rosser have not had the initial working group meeting and some councillors have yet to submit their proposals. Any outstanding proposals to be submitted to the Clerk in the next few days for collation. Cllr Rosser advised he will take the lead to arrange a date. A report will be provided at the next Full Council meeting.

393. ILCA Qualification

The Chair confirmed that the Clerk has gained the ILCA qualification and proposed that salary increased by one scale point with effect from 1st October 2019, in line with contract.

AGREED

394. Clerk's report

- i. New website – CCBC have met with nominated Clerks from Community Councils. It is hoped that a new more reactive and interactive website which meets accessibility requirements will be ready by the end of 2019.
- ii. Audit 2018-2019
Notice of 'Conclusion of Audit' received. Completion date 24th September. Clerk advised one minor comment made. The Annual return was approved and accepted by the Council

395. Forward Plan of Council Decisions and Events

Not presented

396. Date of Next meeting

7th November 2019

Finance Committee

397. Chair's Report

No Report

398. Payments since last meeting

NOTED and approved

399. Bank Reconciliation

Clerk advised that had been unable to complete as returned from annual leave today.
NOTED

ACTION; Clerk to complete and circulate to Councillors

400. To Consider Revised Budget for 2019-2020

Clerk outlined the revised budget which has been drawn up in conjunction with the Chair. It takes into consideration the employment and other working changes that have taken place since the original budget was formulated and agreed.

AGREED

401. Ward Project Expenditure

No update since last meeting

NOTED

402. Applications for Financial Assistance

- i. Eisteddfod Y Cymoedd - £50 to £200 requested.
Following discussion, £150 was AGREED. £50 from each of the three wards.
- ii. Bedwas Arts Festival. £400
This is an inaugural event to be held at Bedwas Workmen's Hall which, if successful, become an annual event. As a result, there is no bank statement or accounts. Councillors were impressed with the planned programme of events and AGREED to support with £400; £133.33 from each ward.
- iii. Cllr McConnell informed that Dance Unity had been in contact as not received a response to grant application made at the start of 2019.
NOTED
ACTION: Clerk to investigate and respond accordingly
- iv. Chair advised that Cllr Winslade has requested that all schools are offered a 'Harvest Loaf' paid for by BTMCC. Glanmors Bakery has agreed to do this at a reduced cost of £20 per loaf. Council felt it was a tradition that should be supported
AGREED

Land & Buildings Committee

403. Chair's Report

Cllr McConnell provided a report. See Appendix 1

- i. Bedwas Workmen's Hall Management Committee request to be able to undertake the urgent repairs required to the roof following recent leaks during heavy rain and are willing to cover the cost. The council AGREED

- subject to committee ensuring that they use a reputable and recommended contractor
- ii. Boilers at Bedwas Workmen's Hall.
ACTION: clerk to liaise with management committee/caretaker to ensure this are serviced ASAP
 - iii. Christmas Tree Lights.
Cllr Rosser offered to ensure the solar lights are in working order. If not, new lights to be purchased.
ACTION; Trees to be decorated by 1st November
 - iv. Christmas Lights.
ACTION; Clerk to contact LITE and request lights are up by the end of October/beginning of November
 - v. Poppies for lamp posts. Cllr McConnell advised that have some from last year but proposed additional poppies are purchased. AGREED £300 (£100 from each ward) for this purpose
 - vi. ACTION: Cllr McConnell to collect poppies and will arrange a date to put them up with Cllr Winslade

Environment & Leisure Committee

404. Chair's Report

No Report

405. Forthcoming Events

- i. Remembrance Day
Cllr Davies advised that plans are in hand. A request via Facebook has been received from a resident suggesting the use of a PA system. Cllr Walsh offered her system and councillors AGREED, with the Clerk to investigate the cost of a system and Council to consider purchase of a suitable system in the future
ACTION: Clerk to provide a report at next meeting

Planning Committee

406. Planning Applications

- i. Case Ref. 19/0733 – deferred to next meeting for councillors to examine plans
- ii. Case Ref. 19/0763 – deferred to next meeting for councillors to examine plans
- iii. Case Ref. 19/0733 - no objection

407. Any Other Business

- i. Cllr Davies highlighted that heating in the chamber is not adequate in the winter. It was AGREED that options to redress this are compiled
ACTION; Clerk to report at next meeting
- ii. Cllr Rosser advised that he has submitted his application for governor of the Bedwas & Rudry School Federation. Awaiting outcome and will advise Council in due course

Meeting Closed 7.30 pm

Signed
Chair of Council

