

Bedwas, Trethomas & Machen Community Council

Minutes of the meeting of FULL COUNCIL Council Offices, Newport Road, Bedwas on Thursday 3 March 2016 at 6pm

<u>Present</u>	<u>Apologies</u>
L Aldworth	
E Davies (Chairman)	
DJ Davies	
J Gale	
	D Havard
B James	
L Jones	
A McConnell	
K Regan	
	M Williams
J Winslade	

Also Present: Sally Chick (Clerk), PCSO Claire Robinson (Local Neighbourhood Police)

Declaration of Interest: Cllr DJ Davies – Bedwas Rocks
Cllr L Jones – Planning Application 06/0058/RET
Cllr B James – Planning Application 16/0001/FULL

Minutes of the Meeting of the POLICE & ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE

150. Cllr DJ Davies welcomed PCSO Robinson to the meeting. Claire gave Councillors a report on local incidents in the last month.(copy attached). The Your Voice priorities for the area are Shed Breaks, Off Road Bikes and Anti Social Behaviour.

Cllr McConnell asked for any information regarding a recent accident in Machen involving a 4 x 4. Claire to check and send further information through to Councillors.

Cllr Aldworth notified Claire of an incident on the Severn Bridge.

Cllr Jones asked if the change of licensing hours application for the Spar was something the Police had any input to.

Councillors asked Claire what crimes 'other' in the police report referred to. Claire to look into this and get back to Councillors with more information.

Minutes of the Meeting of FULL COUNCIL

151. The minutes of the last meeting were agreed and signed.
152. The Chairman had nothing to report.
153. The Clerk reported that there has been a verbal expression of interest in the vacancy in Machen, an application will follow.
154. An application has been received for the position of Youth Councillor. Councillors agreed unanimously that this should be accepted and Adam Bird be informed of this decision.
155. Clerk notified Councillors of upcoming One Voice Wales training sessions – Cllr James requested he be booked onto Module 19 which will be held at the Council Offices on 17 March.

Minutes of the meeting of the LAND & BUILDINGS COMMITTEE

156. Clerk reported that the cleaner has requested an increase of 1.5 hours per week in order to carry out the job properly. Council agreed to increase by 1 hour.
157. Cllr DJ Davies reported that he has carried out a repair to the ladies toilet in the Council Offices. This has repaired the leak. He said that if we leave the downstairs office another week then check the situation. The room would need to be redecorated before it could be let out.

He also reported the situation with Welsh Water at the Workmen's Hall. The investigation into a leak is ongoing. Cllr Regan is assisting in this investigation.

The Adult Education centre is still doing well with more hirers all the time.

Minutes of the meeting of the FINANCE COMMITTEE

158. **Chair Report** –Nothing to report.
159. Payments since last meeting were noted.
160. Ward Project Expenditure was noted.
161. **Applications for Financial Assistance:-**

Bedwas Rocks – Council **RESOLVED**: £350 (£150 Bedwas, £100 Trethomas & £100 Machen Ward)

Machen Show – Council **RESOLVED**: £75 sponsorship from the General Fund.
162. **Acknowledgements**
Trethomas Kiddies Corner.

Minutes of the Meeting of the PLANNING COMMITTEE

163. Applications received for the period:

Case Ref. 16/0058/RET Site Area: 751m²
Location: Forge And Hammer Inn 5 & 6 White Hart Cottages Machen Caerphilly CF83 8QN
Proposal: Retain the change the use from a public house to a private dwelling
Applicant: Mrs P L James Forge And Hammer Inn 5 & 6 White Hart Cottages Machen Caerphilly CF83 8QN
Agent: Mr E Gwynne 10 St Davids Drive Machen Caerphilly CF83 8RG
Case Officer: Mr C Powell ☐☐01495 235019 ☐☐powelc2@caerphilly.gov.uk
Ward: Bedwas, Trethomas & Machen
Map Ref: 320400 (E) 189173 (N) **Target Date:** 29.03.2016
Community Council: Bedwas Trethomas & Machen Comm. Council
Expected Decision Level: Delegated
RESOLVED: No Objection

Case Ref: 06/0001/FULL - Cllr Aldworth reported that an application for conversion of a garage to a dog grooming parlour was causing some issues with access rights. A site visit to be requested.

Minutes of the Meeting of the ENVIRONMENT & LEISURE COMMITTEE

164. Cllr McConnell reported that she had attended One Voice Wales Training.

Bedwas Workmen's Hall Events – Tina Sparkle, Soul Night, Medium Night – 2 ghosts were identified and a Ghost Night has been suggested. Big Mac Soul Night is on Saturday – tickets still available.

Newsletter - Councillors were asked to submit articles for the Newsletter as soon as possible.