

# Bedwas, Trethomas & Machen Community Council

## Minutes of the meeting of FULL COUNCIL held at the Council Offices, Bedwas on Thursday 4 September 2014 at 6pm

<u>Present</u>	<u>Apologies</u>
M Williams (in the Chair)	
	L Jones
JR Davies	
DJ Davies	
D Havard	
EL Davies	
	J Gale
B James	
	K Regan

**Also Present:** Diane Probert (Asst. Clerk)

**Declaration of Interest:** None

52. The minutes of the July meeting were agreed as a correct record.
53. The Chairman had no items to report.
54. CISWO Schemes of Benefit – consideration should be given to approaching the scheme for potential grant funding for the lift at Bedwas Workman’s Hall.
55. It was **RESOLVED** the land to the side and rear of the Council Office is not for sale at this time. The Clerk to investigate whether there are restrictions in the Deeds re: any sale of this land.
56. Councillors voted to co-opt Mrs Amanda McConnell as the Community Councillor for the Trethomas Ward.
57. Councillors **RESOLVED** historic local photographs owned by the Community Council are not for sale.

**Minutes of the Meeting of the POLICE & ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE**  
**held at the Council Offices, Bedwas on Thursday 4 September 2014 at**  
**6pm**

<b><u>Present</u></b>	<b><u>Apologies</u></b>
DJ Davies (in the Chair)	
D Havard	
	J Gale
JR Davies	
B James	
M Williams	
	L Jones
EL Davies	
	K Regan

**Also Present:** Diane Probert (Asst Clerk)

**Apologies:** No apologies received from the Police.

58. There was no Police report for September. The lack of Police contact or presence at the meeting was considered to be due to the police security needed at the NATO Conference taking place in Newport and Cardiff.

Cllr DJ Davies stated parked cars on the entrance to the Council's Office are still causing problems.

There has been a spate of ladder thefts off commercial vehicles in the area.

Cllr JR Davies had received a number of complaints about parking at the bottom of Lewis Street causing congestion.

Cllr DJ Davies confirmed he will report all matters raised at his weekly meeting with the Police.

**Minutes of the meeting of the LAND & BUILDINGS COMMITTEE held at the Council Offices, Bedwas on Thursday 4 September 2014 at 6pm**

<b><u>Present</u></b>	<b><u>Apologies</u></b>
DJ Davies (in the Chair)	
	J Gale
JR Davies	
EL Davies	
D Havard	
	L Jones
B James	
M Williams	
	K Regan

**Also Present:** Diane Probert (Asst. Clerk)

**Council Offices**

59. A question arose regarding the two quotes received for the painting work required in the hall and landing of the Council Office. Councillor DJ Davies stated the work had been awarded to a contractor at a previous Land and Buildings Committee. The Clerk to investigate and report back to the next meeting.
60. Due to the difference in the prices quoted for new blinds, Councillor's requested the Clerk to check quotes are comparative in likeness.

**Workmen's Hall**

61. Work to the roof on both sides of Bedwas Workmen's Hall are now complete. CCBC's Asset Management recently paid a site visit to investigate the large crack in the building. Cllr DJ Davies stated there are additional concerns regarding the heating and the roof of the boiler House and sought approval to obtain 3 quotes for the roof. **APPROVED.**

**Minutes of the meeting of the FINANCE COMMITTEE held at the Council Offices, Bedwas on Thursday 4 September 2014 at 6pm**

<b>Present</b>	<b>Apologies</b>
D Havard (in the Chair)	
DJ Davies	
EL Davies	
JR Davies	
B James	
M Williams	J Gale (in the Chair)
	L Jones
	K Regan

**Also Present:** Diane Probert (Asst. Clerk)

Matters arising - None.

**62.** The Council APPROVED the Auditor's report. It was **RESOLVED** the Chair of the Community Council, Councillor Lisa Jones sign the Annual Return.

**63.** Advice from One Voice Wales re: Community Councillors expenses was noted and **APPROVED**. Councillors **RESOLVED** remuneration will be £100 per year, this will cover consumables, telephone usage etc. And will be paid annually at the start of each financial year, with the exception of this year when the payment will be backdated to April 2014. (County Councillors are excluded from receiving this remuneration)

**64.** Payments since the last meeting were noted. A query was raised on a payment of £400 made to R.Howard. The payee to be clarified at the next meeting.

**65.** Ward Project expenditure was noted.

**66. Applications for Financial Assistance: –**

**Caerphilly Town Council Fireworks Display – RESOLVED** £150 (central budget).

**Cardiac Fitness Solutions – RESOLVED** Application does not meet the specified criteria of the application process.

**Welsh Guards Rugby Reunion Club – RESOLVED** £50 total to purchase 2 calendars and 2 packs of Christmas cards (central budget).

**Acknowledgements**

**Annual School's Intersports event** - Tynywern Primary won 1<sup>st</sup> Prize.

**Machen Show** - well attended despite bad weather.

**Minutes of the Meeting of the PLANNING COMMITTEE held at the Council Offices, Bedwas on Thursday 4 September 2014 at 6pm**

<b>Present</b>	<b>Apologies</b>
D Havard (Chair)	
DJ Davies	
EL Davies	
JR Davies	
B James	
M Williams	
	J Gale
	L Jones
	K Regan

**Also Present:** Diane Probert (Asst. Clerk)

**Declaration of Interest:** 14/0492/NCC – Cllr B James

67. Applications for Planning were decided as follows:

**Case Ref. 14/0429/FULL**

**Location:** 74 Greenacre Drive Bedwas Caerphilly CF83 8HH

**Proposal:** Erect garage and gymnasium to rear

**Applicant:** Mr H Jenkins 74 Greenacre Drive Bedwas Caerphilly CF83 8HH

**REFUSED** – County Council delegated decision.

**Case Ref. 14/0493/FULL**

**Location:** Tree Tops Mountain Road Bedwas Caerphilly CF83 8ES

**Proposal:** Demolish the existing single-storey garage and replace with a new single-storey double garage

**Applicant:** Mr G Neal Tree Tops Mountain Road Bedwas Caerphilly CF83 8ES

**RESOLVED: No Objection**

**Case Ref. 14/0505/FULL**

**Location:** Ty Newydd 49 Newport Road Bedwas Caerphilly CF83 8AA

**Proposal:** Erect bedroom above the existing garage

**Applicant:** Mr J Griffiths Ty Newydd 49 Newport Road Bedwas Caerphilly CF83 8AA

**RESOLVED: No Objection**

**Case Ref. 14/0421/TCA**

**Location:** 3 Clos Trefeddyg Machen Caerphilly CF83 8PL

**Proposal:** Lift crown and directionally prune oak tree by four-five metres (W1 of Tree Preservation Order 54/83/RVDC)

**Applicant:** Pendragon Design And Build Mr D Johanson Pendragon House General Rees Square Torfaen Cwmbran NP44 1AJ

**RESOLVED: No Objection**

**Case Ref. 14/0492/NCC**

**Location: Specialist Precast Products Ltd Unit B 21 Pantglas Industrial Estate  
Bedwas Caerphilly CF83 8DR**

**Proposal:** Vary condition 1 of planning consent 09/0439/FULL (Construct new access and gates) to extend the period of time within which the development can commence

**Applicant:** Specialist Precast Products Ltd Specialist Precast Products Ltd, 21b  
Pantglas Industrial Estate Bedwas Caerphilly Mid Glamorgan CF83 8DR

**RESOLVED: No Objection**

**Case Ref. 14/0521/FULL**

**Location: 65 The Crescent Bedwas Caerphilly CF83 8AG**

**Proposal:** Erect a single-storey mono-pitched extension to the rear of the property

**Applicant:** Mr N Thomas 65 The Crescent Bedwas Caerphilly CF83 8AG

**RESOLVED: No Objection**

**Case Ref. 14/0441/FULL**

**Land at Nantygleisaid Cottage 14 White Hart Machen, Caerphilly CF83 8QQ**

**Proposal:** Erect detached dwelling

**Applicant:** Mrs A Mahohey, Nantygleisaid Cottage 14 White Hart Machen, Caerphilly  
CF83 8QQ

**More Information: Plans Required**

**Case Ref. 14/0548/FULL**

**Location: Pentre Poeth Farm, Penllwyn Lane Machen Caerphilly CF83 8RL**

**Proposal:** Retain driveway and extension of residential curtilage

**Applicant:** Mr & Mrs R Owens, Pentre Poeth Farm, Penllwyn Lane Machen Caerphilly  
CF83 8RL

**RESOLVED: No Objection**

**Case Ref. 14/0536/RET**

**Location: 37 Lon Yr Ysgol Bedwas Caerphilly CF83 8PE**

**Proposal:** Retain detached dwelling

**Applicant:** Mrs P Rees 9 Golwg Y Coed Hendredenny Caerphilly CF83 2UA

**RESOLVED:** County Council plan a site visit – Await outcome

**Case Ref. 14/0582/FULL**

**Location: Hanson Aggregates Machen Quarry Commercial Road Machen  
Caerphilly CF83 8YP**

**Proposal:** Relocate existing inert recycling operation to new location within the confines  
of Machen Quarry

**Applicant:** Hanson UK Hanson Aggregates Machen Quarry Commercial Road Machen  
Caerphilly CF83 8YP

**RESOLVED: No Objection**

## **68. REFUSAL OF PERMISSION**

Caerphilly County Council observations were noted.

**Minutes of the Meeting of the ENVIRONMENT & LEISURE COMMITTEE**  
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**Also Present:** Diane Probert (Asst. Clerk)

**69. CHAIRMAN'S ITEMS**

The deadline for Councillors to submit pen portraits for the newsletter is the end of September. Councillors were reminded to submit newsletter articles as soon as possible.

**70. CLERK'S REPORT**

The contract for the old BTM Community Council website will end at the beginning of October, it will then be possible to activate the new website.

One Voice Wales Training Programme for 2014/15 is available in the office for anyone interested in attending Councillor training.

Councillor EL Davies requested a large board cheque be obtained from the Council's bank for promotional purposes.