

Bedwas, Trethomas & Machen Community Council

Remote FULL COUNCIL Meeting,
MS Teams
Thursday 3rd December 2020

Present; Jill Winslade, Daniel Llewellyn, Amanda McConnell, Elizabeth Aldworth, Derek Havard, June Gale, Dave Davies

Also Present: Marcia Jones (Clerk), CSO 13 Lisa Gibbs of Gwent Police.

Apologies; Lisa Phipps, Chris Morgan (Chair), Phil Rosser

620. Police & Community Safety Matters

CSO 13 Lisa Gibbs gave verbal report to Members.

- •There currently regular patrols at the Ruperra where anti-social behaviour has been frequently reported.
- There have been no reports of Off-Road bike issues since the last meeting.
- A successful drug warrant and arrest was executed today.
- Operation Santa. Officers had hoped to escort the volunteers but unfortunately their workload will not permit this. Cllr McConnell thanked the police for their donation to the BTM operation Santa appeal.

Cllr Llewellyn Joined the meeting at this point

- The police have several ongoing operations, including COVID checks, shoplifting and patrolling the lanes.
- Cllrs requested detail on the car accident at the junction of waterloo. CSO Gibbs advised the investigation was ongoing and could provide more detail once this is concluded.

Cllr Winslade joined the meeting at this point

CSO Gibbs made a request on behalf of Inspector Clifton.

RESOLVED: BTM CC will circulate a request on social media for presents not be left in sheds, garages and cars in the run up to Christmas.

Cllr Havard thanked CSO Gibbs and she left the meeting.

621. Declarations of Interest.

621.1 Cllr Aldworth declared an interest in Item 9, due her position on CCBC planning Committee, and will leave the meeting for this item.

622. To Note and approve apologies for absence.

NOTED and approved.

623. Minutes of meeting ORDINARY FULL COUNCIL on 12th November 2020

One date to be amended under item 612.2

RESOLVED: The minutes of the meeting were accepted as a true record for signing by the Vice Chair.

624. Matters Arising from the meeting ORDINARY FULL COUNCIL on 12th November 2020

624.1 Item 615. Cllr Havard advised Members that he and Cllr Llewellyn had been unable to finalise wording of the motion for presentation to Council.

Finance Matters

625. Bank Statement 932 and Reconciliation to 30.10.2020

NOTED and approved.

626. Finance, Employment & Policies Committee

626.1 NOTED - Draft minutes of meeting 26.11.2020

There was a discussion on draft budget plans for 2021-2022. The Clerk highlighted the recent proposal to employ a project manager for the Bedwas Workman's Hall. Cllr Havard suggested that a full discussion on latest suggestions for the future operation of the hall is required. The Clerk suggested that this should be done before the end of December, so that decisions can be made to allow completion of a budget planning process, which needs to be agreed in January 2021. The Clerk suggested that all Members on the BWH Management Committee should attend the meeting on 8th December. The precept information has not yet been received from CCBC, but an increase in precept may be required if these proposals are taken forward.

RESOLVED: A project manager for BWH was agreed in principle, subject to further discussion, and a revised budget to be presented at the next Council meeting.

626.2 The following policies were presented to Council for scrutiny:

- Publication Scheme for BTMCC
- Health & Safety Policy & Procedures
- Concerns & Complaints Policy

- Anti-Harassment and Bullying (Dignity at Work) Policy and Procedures
- Disciplinary Policy & Procedures
- Whistleblowing Policy & Procedures
- Grievance Policy & procedure
- Equality & Diversity Policy
- Capability Policy & Procedure

RESOLVED: All agreed without amendment

627. Meeting and Event Schedule for 2021

NOTED

Councillors to advise the Clerk by 31st December 2020 of any concerns on proposed dates for events.

Cllr Aldworth left the meeting at this point at 7.05pm

628. Planning Applications

628.1 Case Ref. 20/0963/FULL – Further information required

RESOLVED: Clerk to contact CCBC and distribute full detail to Members

629. Additional Community Safety Matter

Cllr Llewellyn apologised for not raising the matter during the relevant earlier agenda item, but requested Members permission to discuss, and this was agreed. He proposed that CCBC should be contacted to ascertain if lighting can be left on longer on New Year's Eve for safety reason. There was concern among Councillors that a change in lighting times could encourage social gatherings contrary to COVID restrictions

RESOLVED: County Councillors, D Havard and J Gale, will contact CCBC to ascertain if a change in lighting time on NYE is viable.

630. Next meeting

This is scheduled to take place on Thursday 7th January 2020 at 6.30pm via MS Teams.

Meeting Closed 7.15 pm

Signed

Cllr-B-Havard

Vice Chair of Council

Signed

M Jones

Clerk

