

Bedwas, Trethomas & Machen Community Council

DRAFT MINUTES

Environment & CIL Committee

MS Teams

Monday 12th April 2021. 11am

Present; June Gale (Chair), Elizabeth Aldworth, Derek Havard, Lisa Phipps

Also Present: Marcia Jones - Clerk. Amanda McConnell.

Apologies; Dan Llewellyn

1. Declarations of Interest.

None

2. To note and approve apologies for absence.

As Above

3. Minutes of the ECIL Committee Meeting held on 9th February 2021

Agreed as a true and accurate record

4. Matters arising from the ECIL Committee Meeting held on 9th February 2021

None

5. Litter & Fly-tipping Prevention Plan for Wales' consultation

The deadline has passed for a response to One Voice Wales so it can be collated into the all - Wales Community/town council response they are preparing

RESOLVED: Clerk to recirculate Consultation information to all councillors and request they respond individually.

6. CCBC Street Lighting Times

Clr Winslade has requested that Council revisit this matter, and give consideration to a request to CCBC to shorten the times lights are switched off. Clr Phipps advised that she has made enquiries with CCBC and this would require a £3M infrastructure investment by CBCC to amend the technology, as well additional power costs and would impact on CCBC's aims to reduce carbon footprint.

RESOLVED: Cllr Phipps to request CCBC add additional information to their FAQs so that the public will be aware of this issue and confirm this is acceptable course of action with Cllr Winslade

7. To note CIL Income & Expenditure to date

NOTED

£105 delivery charge on bin - this was not considered when initial costs agreed.

£117 additional cost to fully complete fence at lower GYR – initial cost agreed

RESOLVED: To recommend Council to approve

TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON ONGOING CIL PROJECTS

8. Children's Cemetery bench

A resident has approached Councillors regarding CCBC policy which does not allow installation of memorial benches in a CCBC cemetery. It is suggested that an additional bench is provided by BTMCC for crematorium area, as well at Children's area. Total price for 2 benches at a cost of £1560 plus £108 delivery. £800 approx quoted already for Children's cemetery and agreed.

RESOLVED: To request additional cost of bench agreed at Full council

9. Wildflower Verges

These have now been planted and invoice received for £250 from CCBC

10. Riverside Walk

Councillors and Clerk has made several site visits in conjunction with various CCBC departments and Countryside warden, etc. Longer and shorter terms plans outlined include new parking (disabled a priority), pathways, seating, signage and picnic benches. Initial stage is 2 x Oak picnic benches - £750 each, so £1500 total. Countryside warden replacing metal Benches £350 – renew 2 to wood if poss. @ £350 each. Block stone to stop inappropriate parking £300. JCB to install - £250. Countryside warden will arrange and cover installation. Total cost: no more than £3000

RESOLVED: To recommend Council approve up to £3000 CIL to start initial works

11. Upper Glyn Street

Knee rail now installed. Benches still awaited.

RESOLVED: Cllr Phipps to follow up

12. Painting of electricity boxes

No progress made on ownership and required permissions.

RESOLVED: Clerk to take forward

Cllr Havard left the meeting at this point - 11.50am

13. Tarmac footpath - Grove Sheltered Housing Complex in Trethomas
Quote of £5k received. Additional issues need to be addressed and CCBC Housing office looking at water issues and wall by British benzol site. Agreed this needs to be taken forward by CCBC

RESOLVED; No further action

14. Additional Defibrillators in BTM

£5-600 cost per unit and electrician cost approx. £250 per site. It was suggested to approach local companies to undertake joint initiative – e.g. Greggs

RESOLVED: Cllr McConnell to take forward

15. Install local walking/cycling maps

More discussion and development required, with suggestion to involve schools in design

RESOLVED: no further action at the current time

16. Install planters for summer bedding displays

All ordered. Will hopefully be in situ shortly

17. Improvements to pedestrian walkway access from Manor Park to Bryngwyn

Cllr Phipps is awaiting a response from CCBC officer to clarify responsibility and will report at next meeting

TO CONSIDER FUTURE CIL PROJECTS

18. Skatepark/Play facilities at Manor Park area, Bedwas

Liaised with CCBC. Area is too close to people's houses and would not be suitable. There is an age limit. Hopefully Cae St Barrwgs estate will be able to offer something for alternative/older age range.

RESOLVED: County Councillors to take forward the matter with CCBC

19. Benches and Kick Boards – Trethomas

Cllr Phipps currently trying to establish location of previous provision. Residents on Newport Road do not want benches, due to anti-social behaviour concerns

RESOLVED: Cllr Phipps to liaise with Simon Beacham for costings and report at future meeting for future discussion

20. A 'Village green' at the old caravan Park, in Trethomas

RESOLVED; Defer to next meeting when Cllr Havard is present

21. To consider the installation of two new benches in a park in Machen.
Current benches affected by recent flooding in the Ffrwm Rd/Crescent/Riverside are. CCBC have no current funding available to replace.

RESOLVED; Cllr Phipps to request quotes

22. Two new bins at Machen Welfare Ground

RESOLVED; Cllr Phipps to obtain quotes

23. Next meeting

The next meeting is scheduled to take place on Monday 14th June 2021 at 11am via MS Teams.

Meeting Closed 12.15pm

Signed

Mrs J Gale

Chair of CIL Committee