**In line with the Welsh Government’s ‘Local Government and Elections (Wales} Act 2021’ requirement for all 735 Town and Community Councils in Wales to electronically publish the key information and the outcome of their Council meetings within 7 days of the meeting, Bedwas, Trethomas and Machen Community Council hereby publish an unnumbered and unsigned summary of the:**

**Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of**

**Bedwas, Trethomas and Machen Community Council**

**Due to the current Coronavirus crisis it was held as a remote virtual meeting on Wednesday 12 May 2021**

**Present: Cllr Chris Morgan. Cllr Amanda McConnell, Cllr Dave Davies, Cllr Derek Harvard, Cllr Jill Winslade, Cllr Phillip Rosser, Cllr Liz Aldworth, Cllr June Gale, Cllr Lisa Phipps and newly elected Cllr Nigel Bull and Cllr Gareth Pratt**

**Acting Clerk/Proper Officer: Robert Campbell**

- also in attendance were local Police reps. Lisa Gibbs and Jake Michael

**Chair/Mayor Cllr Chris Morgan chaired the virtual meeting that commenced at 6.42 pm**

**A/ Apologies**

Cllr Daniel Llewellyn

**B/ Presentations**

# Police CSOs Lisa Gibbs and Jake Michael gave the Council a summary of the local area policing activities

# C/ Declarations of Interest

Cllr Lisa Phipps declared an association with the financial assistance request from Bridgend Allotments and Cllr Liz Aldworth declared an interest in the planning application items due to her role on the Caerphilly CBC Planning Committee

**D/ Residents’ addresses**

# None due to the Coronavirus crisis, the Government lockdown and the current Welsh Government emergency regulations

**E/ Minutes of the previous Council meeting held on Mon 1 April 2021**

The meeting acknowledged that the minutes were agreed for signature as a true and correct record. One emergency matter arising was discussed as at point G2/4

**F/** Chair Cllr Morgan introduced newly elected Cllrs Nigel Bull and Gareth Pratt and welcomed them to the Council. Cllr Morgan also introduced acting Clerk Robert Campbell to the meeting

**G/ Decisions made**

**G1 Finance Report**

The previous Clerk’s account summary to date was agreed as satisfactory by the Council

**G2 Correspondence/financial assistance applications**

1/ The Council considered the request from Bridgend Allotments (Cllr Lisa Phipps temporarily left the meeting for this agenda item) and agreed to a donation of £300 (£100 each from the three area budgets)

2/ The Council considered the request from Unity Dance and agreed to a donation of £150 (£50 each from the three area budgets)

3/ The Council considered the recent Fire and Rescue Services emergency action on Machen Mountain and to show its gratitude to the fire fighters they agreed to a donation of £300 (£100 each from the three area budgets) to the local ‘fundraiser’ project

4/. The Council discussed the emergency Caerphilly CBC dangerous building notice served on BTM CC for its WI Hall. The Council unanimously agreed but with great reluctance that the building must be closed immediately for public safety. The Council also agree with a voting majority to pursue a scaffolding quote for the building of £29,000 for an emergency inspection of the Hall’s roof. The Council also unanimously agreed for its Committees to consider and progress reallocating a set amount of £24,000 from its staffing budget towards this initial emergency cost

**H/ Current Projects Summary**

Due to the ongoing health crisis the Council is still unable to plan its other summer projects at the present time

**I/ Planning Applications**

(Cllr Liz Aldworth temporarily left the meeting for this agenda item)

Case Refs: 0309, 0353, 0355, 0362, 0388 and 0400 were all noted

**The meeting closed at 8.20 pm**

**The full Minutes when agreed and signed will also be made available on the Council’s website as soon as practically possible**

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