Bedwas, Trethomas & Machen Community Council

Minutes of the meeting Full Council on Thursday 6th July 2023 – 6.30pm

<u>Present</u>		Apologies
D J Davies (Chair)	S Aicheler	E Phipps-Magill
P Rosser (Vice Chair)	D Havard	
A McConnell	K Ingram	
L Phipps	E Aldworth	
C Morgan	J Winslade	
	N Bull	
A Birkinshaw (Clerk)		

GWENT POLICE PRESENTATION

985 A report was sent to council in advance of the meeting. CSOs Angharad Morgan and Rhiannon Collins attended to answer members' questions

BEDWAS WORKMEN'S HALL

986 A copy of the BWH full accounts were made available at the meeting. These will be discussed in full at the AGM on Tuesday 11th July. All councillors are encouraged to attend the meeting

FULL COUNCIL

987 Declarations of Interest:

As noted individually below

- 988 Cllr Davies chaired the meeting that commenced at 6.40pm. Attendance and apologies for absence noted as above. There were no residents' addresses
- 989 To consider and sign the Minutes of the previous Full Council meeting held on 1st June and the AGM held on 18th May 2023. The meeting acknowledged that minutes for both were agreed for signature as true and correct record

990 Clerk's report

a/ Request for spend from the garden budget. Cllr McConnell requested permission to purchase two decorative robins for the community garden. Cllr Rosser purchased and donated these. The Wednesday volunteers will install them



b/ CiLCA Training

Training has started in the form of webinars. The clerk has requested permission to work from home for the remaining 5 sessions. Study time for the whole course is approx 250 hours over 12 months. Each Tuesday morning will be set aside for this as far as is practical *The members agreed unaniously with the training arrangements*

991 Chamber

Following the decoration of the chamber, it was suggested maybe some more up to date photographs and information would be appropriate to show events in the community the council support. Cllr McConnell has put together 12 collages which showcase the events held last year at the offices, BWH and in the community.

It was unanimously agreed to accept the quote for $12 \times A2$ size posters in frames at a total cost of £415 plus VAT

992 Model Publication Scheme

The existing Model Publication Scheme has been revised to show new Clerk information and updated copy costs. This was agreed and adopted and will now be published on the BTM CC website

993 Royal visit

We requested a royal visit to officially open the community garden. Correspondence received indicates a visit from the Lord Lieutenant is the first stage in this process. Clerk to write and offer some dates for a visit.

Finance matters

994 Finance report

Cllr Morgan presented a summary of the financial transactions for June. The summary was agreed as satisfactory by the Council

995 Financial Assistance Applications

Two received this month. E H Elites dance school and GYR Community Association. It was agreed to offer £300 to each applicant, £100 from each ward budget **RESOLVED that:** In pursuance of the power conferred by Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) and being of the opinion that the expenditure above

satisfies the requirements of that section.

996 Council Committees

Finance, Employment and Policies Committee

A meeting will be arranged in September



Environment & CIL Committee

Following the meeting held 27th June, the following items are put forward for approval from full council. The agreement in principle to the cost of resurfacing the car park at the offices on Newport Road be split equally between CIL funding and maintenance budget. Further quotes to be obtained before proceeding. The purchase of a defib cabinet for Machen RFC. The purchase and installation of a defib cabinet at Machen Village Hall, and 50% donation towards the cost of the defib. Cil monies also to be used to maintain all defibs in the BTM area, overseen by Cllr McConnell. Quotes have been obtained for the decoration of the BT and Virgin street-side cabinets. Permission has been obtained from owners

Land & Buildings Committee

Following the last meeting, council have agreed to make an amendment to the lease for the salon (ground floor) to allow the tenant more flexibility with staffing

Events & Leisure Committee

Machen show was a great success. Lots of people visited the stand and were able to learn more about BTMCC. Tyn Y Wern school have gained their Gold Award and have invited all councillors to attend on Friday 14th July, 2pm to join the celebrations. Cllr Davies has offered £50 from the Chair's Civic Fund to the campaign to raise money for an adapted bicycle to allow a disabled child the opportunity to learn to ride a bike with his peers. It was agreed to donated on Harvest loaf to each school to help them celebrate their harvest assembly in the autumn. Glanmor's bakery have kindly donated two loaves. The other three will be funded from the panto profits

997 **Planning Applications**

Cllr Aldworth left the meeting prior to discussions

Case references 23/0234/HH, 23/0348/HH, 23/0358/RET, 23/0310/NCC and 23/0406/FULL noted and approved

Case reference 23/0307/CLPUL was discussed. Cllr Rosser has checked the CCBC planning portal and this application has already been refused

Meeting closed 8.32pm

Stew Chairperson Date: 1-9-2023