Bedwas, Trethomas & Machen Community Council

Minutes of the meeting Full Council on Tuesday 9th July 2024 – 6.30pm

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

GWENT POLICE PRESENTATION

1112 Report was received by email and circulated to all members. No queries raised

1113 Parish Trust

Rev Dean Roberts presented the Parish Trust plans for the refurbishment of the Bryn Hall and their quest for a new HQ. Council agreed to write a letter of support

BEDWAS WORKMEN'S HALL

1114 Chair of Hall, Derek Allford gave an update on lottery works, events and projects

FULL COUNCIL

1115 Declarations of Interest:

Cllr Phipps and Cllr Winslade declared an interest in the grant application for Bedwas Theatre Group and Trethomas Bluebirds. Cllr Morgan declared an interest in the sponsorship request from Machen RFC. They took no part in discussions or voting on these items

- 1116 Cllr Rosser chaired the meeting that commenced at 6.30pm. Attendance noted as above. There were no residents' addresses.
- 1117 The meeting acknowledged the minutes of the Full Council meeting on 5th June as a true and correct record and agreed for signature



1118 Clerk's report

- a/ Cleaning contract. Prices have risen this year in line with the increase in minimum wage. A new one year contract has been offered at a cost of £22 per hour. Clerk to confirm flexibility with offices due to be vacated in November
- b/ The tenant in the upstairs offices have given notice to guit on 4th November. Photos and measurements to be taken to market the space for rent in November
- c/ The Community Garden has been awarded the Keep Wales Tidy "Green" Flag" for 2024/2025. Many thanks to the team of volunteers who work hard maintaining this space for the community to use

1119 Skateboarding

It was agreed to book skateboarding sessions for both Bedwas Council Office Carpark and GYR skate park during the summer holidays 2 days at each -2sessions per pay. Dates and times to be confirmed and advertised on social media

1120 Governor vacancy

Cllr Ingram has agreed to take the current vacancy at GYR Primary. Clerk to speak with Governor Support

1121 Co-hosted events

Cllr Phipps has requested information about a future event in BTM co-hosted with CCBC. Clerk to obtain more information.

1122 Community Cleansing Team

Following correspondence from CCBC, councillors have been asked to highlight any areas in their wards which they feel need special attention. Lists to be returned to CCBC by 15th July

Finance matters

1123 Finance report

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

1124 Financial Assistance Applications

Four applications received this month. Bedwas Theatre Group awarded £300 towards their kitchen upgrade and Machen RFC awarded £300 sponsorship towards their book celebrating 150 years



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.

Trethomas Bluebirds awarded £300 towards the costs incurred in creating a new under 16s team

RESOLVED that: In pursuance of the power conferred by Section 19 of the Local Government Act 1976

Quickstep Fitness application did not meet the criteria for grand funding

1125 Council Committees

Finance, Employment and Policies Committee

Report was given on the meeting held 24th June Next meeting 23rd September

Environment & CIL Committee

It was agreed to paint two large and two small console boxes in Trethomas with a poppy design at a cost of £325

Next meeting 27th August

Land & Buildings Committee

Report given from meeting held 10th June. Agreed discussion of gutters and water ingress at the council offices needs to go back to the next L&B meeting with further information. All other points agreed

Next meeting 19th August

Events & Leisure Committee

Report given from meeting on 17^{th} June. Further information regarding fireworks to be obtained (clerk & Cllr Ingram). All other points agreed Next meeting 17^{th} June

Clerk left the meeting

1126 Planning Applications

Planning refs 24/0368/CLPU, 24/0381/NCC, 24/0388/FULL, 24/0402/FULL, 24/0403/ADV, 24/0427/CLEU, 24/0431/HH and 24/0386/COU were all noted and approved

Meeting closed 8.27pm

Signed: M Chairperson Date: 5.9.2024