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 Thursday 6th March 2025

Present: Cllr J Winslade (Chair), Cllr K Ingram, Cllr E Phipps-Magill, Cllr D Davies, Cllr L Aldworth, Cllr A McConnell, Cllr S Aicheler

Apologies: Cllr L Phipps, Cllr C Morgan, Cllr P Rosser, Cllr N Bull, Cllr D Havard

Clerk/ Proper Officer: Ann Butler

1/ Police matters

CSO Rhiannon Collins attended the meeting and answered Councillor's questions. Full report to follow by email

2/ BWH

Adam Birkinshaw-Bird gave an update on progress and upcoming events

3/ Declarations of Interest As below

4/ Minutes of the previous meetings

The meeting acknowledged the minutes of the Full Council meeting on 6th February as a true and correct record and agreed for signature. Proposed Cllr McConnell, Seconded Cllr Phipps-Magill

5/ Clerk's report

- a/ Following a meeting of the F,E&P panel it was recommended to return the Caretaker's hours to 20 per week following the trial of reduced hours. All agreed. Approval requested to increase salaries, Caretaker by one scale point and Clerk by 2 scale points, in line with contracts and as previously agreed, from April 1st. Unanimously agreed
- b/ Following last month's discussion, the Confidential Waste provider has offered a reduced price contract (£160 p.a. for two years). Agreed to sign new contract.
- c/ Unanimously agreed not to renew membership with One Voice Wales this year. Clerk to notify

6/ Finance matters

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

Financial Assistance Applications

One application this month from Forces Fitness Education CIC. The application did not meet the criteria for a grant award. Clerk to notify

7/ Council Committees

Finance, Employment and Policies Committee

Minutes from the meeting held 25th February had been circulated to all members prior to the meeting. Decisions noted and approved. Two new policies adopted Next meeting to be arranged

Environment & CIL Committee

Next meeting arranged for 24th March 2025

Land & Buildings Committee

Next meeting arranged for 10th March 2025

Events & Leisure Committee

Minutes from the meeting held 26th February had been circulated to all members before the meeting. Community Awards presentation agreed for April 10th at 7.15pm. Clerk to arrange buffet and contact nominees

Next meeting for Pride event has been arranged at BTM Offices on 26th March at 3pm

8/ Planning Applications

Cllr Aldworth left the room prior to discussions Planning ref 25/0084/HH was noted and approved

Date of next meeting

Next meeting is arranged for Thursday 10th April at 6.30pm, followed by Community Awards Presentation at 7.15pm

The meeting closed at 7.25pm

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