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 10<sup>th</sup> April 2025

**Present:** Cllr P Rosser (Chair), Cllr J Winslade, Cllr K Ingram, Cllr E Phipps-Magill, Cllr D Davies, Cllr L Aldworth, Cllr A McConnell, Cllr D Havard, Cllr L Phipps,

Apologies: Cllr S Aicheler, Cllr N Bull, Cllr C Morgan

Clerk/ Proper Officer: Ann Butler

#### 1/ Police matters

CSO Jon Spokes attended the meeting and answered Councillor's questions. Full report was sent in advance

#### 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 6<sup>th</sup> March as a true and correct record and agreed for signature. Proposed Cllr McConnell, Seconded Cllr Aldworth

## 5/ Clerk's report

a/ Following the end of the financial year the Clerk has prepared the accounts for internal audit. A copy was presented to council for information before submitting on 16<sup>th</sup> April

#### 6/ Finance matters

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

#### **Financial Assistance Applications**

Two applications received this month. One from Machen Show and one From Bedwas High School. The application from Machen Show did not meet the criteria for a grant award. Clerk to notify and suggest rewording and submitting again in May. Bedwas High School to be contacted as schools are not eligible. Suggest they contact County Councillors to explore the Empowerment Fund option.

## 7/ Council Committees

## Finance, Employment and Policies Committee

Minutes from the meeting held 25<sup>th</sup> 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**

Minutes of the meeting held 24<sup>th</sup> March were circulated to all councillors prior to the meeting.

Cllr McConnell declared an interest as a member of the Machen Welfare Committee

It was Agreed to purchase a pair of 80<sup>th</sup> VE Day Commemorative Tommy Garden statues at a cost of £325. Clerk to order

It was proposed CIL monies be used to purchase a community notice board to be placed at Machen Welfare Ground. A double sided board will allow community notices to be posted, and the board will include a plaque to stated it was donated by BTMCC. Cllr Ingram wished to record his objection. It was agreed a maximum budget of £2,500 including VAT and installation

It was agreed in principle to donate up to £1,100 to Ty'n y Wern for their Art project mural of local heroes.

Clerk to confirm with CCBC this is legitimate spend for CIL monies

Cllr Phipps is meeting with Parks services to discuss the path through Bedwas Park Next meeting arranged for 27<sup>th</sup> May 2025

#### Land & Buildings Committee

Next meeting arranged for 19th May 2025

## **Events & Leisure Committee**

Cllr Winslade and Clerk continue to meet with Youth Services and Gwent Police to arrange the Bedwas Pride event on 31<sup>st</sup> May Next meeting arranged 28<sup>th</sup> April 2025

## 8/ Planning Applications

#### **Cllr Aldworth took no part in discussions** Planning ref 25/0115/HH, 25/0630/FULL and 25/0154/TPO were all noted and approved

## Date of next meeting

Next meeting is arranged for Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May – 6pm for AGM followed by Full Council meeting at 6.30pm

## The meeting closed at 7.00pm

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