

Bedwas, Trethomas & Machen Community Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Land & Buildings Committee on Monday 18th August 2025

PRESENT (Committee)	Apologies
N Bull (Chair)	Emma Phipps Magill
K Ingram	J Winslade
D Davies	

1/ Declarations of Interest

None

2/ Men's shed / Garden

Summary of garden spend to date was presented

The Men's shed floor has now been painted, roof strip to be fitted to ensure it is watertight

Shipping container shelving has been installed and small leak to be investigated

£1000 of plants have been sourced from the Gwent Green Grid Grant, the remaining £500 for wood will be used to build a fence and this will be costed soon

Pergola and surrounding bench have now been completed

Two lengths of additional wood required to replace warped lengths at rear of pergola

A paved area in front of the men's shed will be laid when the paving slabs from the hall are relocated and a covered roof will be constructed using the spare panels from the men's shed

Cllr Ingram to request update on chequer plate for the raised area garden sleepers

3/ Vacant offices

Stairlift has now been installed. Office has been readvertised. The office space is still vacant, with one enquiry of interest from a beautician looking to rent one (the ex MP office). It was recommended not to proceed with this and continue to seek a tenant who would rent the entire 3 rooms as a suite. By separating the rental to one room it would restrict the use of the members room as this is not currently being considered for rental. It was also felt the members room would be used as a waiting room and would be disruptive to the clerk.

4/ Power For Men's Shed/Shipping Container

One quote has been received to install a 240v power supply from the main building via an overhead armoured cable to the Men's Shed to a consumer unit with an internal 2 way switched socket and external 2 way switched socket with a provision to expand as necessary.

The quote is £1,372 and £1647 inc VAT. As there is no provision in this year's garden budget and no budget for the Men's Shed then as this will benefit the entire BTM community when running then it was decided to take this to CIL for funding. Cllr Ingram to do this.

Meeting closed 7.45pm

Signed: Nigel Bull Chair

Date: 20th Aug 2025