

Bedwas, Trethomas & Machen Community Council

Minutes of the meeting of FULL COUNCIL held at the Council Offices, Bedwas on Thursday 10 July 2014 at 6pm

<u>Present</u>	<u>Apologies</u>
E Aldworth	
DJ Davies	
	E Davies
JR Davies	
RT Davies	
J Gale	
	D Havard
	B James
L Jones (in the Chair)	
	K Regan
	M Williams

Also Present: Sally Chick (Clerk), Diane Probert (Asst. Clerk)

Declaration of Interest: None

Cllr RT Davies informed Council that former Chairman of this Council, Mr Stan Nind, passed away this week. Council observed a minutes silence. Clerk to send a card to family on behalf of Council.

36. The minutes of the April meeting were agreed as a correct record.
37. The Chairman reported she had attended a 1980s supper evening with Bedwas Theatre Group. Cllr Aldworth was also present at the event.
38. Clerk informed Councillors that a letter of resignation has been received from Mike Parsons. Clerk to send letter of thanks for all his work during his time as a Councillor. Procedure for advertising vacancy to be checked and carried out prior to the September meeting.
39. The Assistant Clerk asked to be allowed to complete the Working With Your Council Course. This was agreed.

**Minutes of the Meeting of the POLICE & ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE
held at the Council Offices, Bedwas on Thursday 10 July 2014 at 6pm**

<u>Present</u>	<u>Apologies</u>
E Aldworth	
DJ Davies (in the Chair)	
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JR Davies	
RT Davies	
J Gale	
	D Havard
	B James
L Jones	
	K Regan
	M Williams

Also Present: Sally Chick (Clerk), Diane Probert (Asst Clerk)

Apologies: Local Neighbourhood Police

40. The Police attended an informal meeting with Council on 3 July and their report was given out then. Clerk gave copies of the report to those who had not been in attendance at the previous meeting.

Cllr L Aldworth witnessed a shoplifter whilst visiting the Tesco store recently. The Police are aware of problems at the Trethomas store and are working with the store management. Council are concerned that the shop lifting figures are inflating the crime figures for this area.

Cllr DJ Davies reported that next week there will be a Cheese and Crime event held at Bedwas Workmen's Hall.

Cllr L Jones reported that the parking situation outside the gates of the Council Office are once again causing problems when trying to exit the car park.

Cllr DJ Davies is hoping to encourage higher ranking police representation at our meetings. It was suggested that the Police be allowed to present their report right at the start of the Council Meetings in order that they can get back to their job as quickly as possible.

6.33 Cllr M Williams arrived

Minutes of the meeting of the LAND & BUILDINGS COMMITTEE held at the Council Offices, Bedwas on Thursday 10 July 2014 at 6pm

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E Aldworth	
DJ Davies (in the Chair)	
	E Davies
JR Davies	
RT Davies	
J Gale	
	D Havard
	B James
L Jones	
	K Regan
M Williams	

Also Present: Sally Chick (Clerk), Diane Probert (Asst. Clerk)

Declaration of Interest: DJ Davies in regard to PJM Painting & Decorating.

Council Offices

41. The Clerk reported that three quotes had been received for the painting work required in the offices. Council agreed to accept the cheapest quote. Also, agreed to get a deep clean following painting completion. Tiled floor in hallway to be carried out at a later date.
42. Clerk was asked to obtain quotes for new blinds for the Council Chamber and also for the windows at the front of the building.

Workmen's Hall

43. Cllr L Jones reported that the Workmen's Hall AGM went well. More volunteers are still required to help out. Cllr DJ Davies apologised as he had forgotten about the meeting.
44. Council agreed to accept the quote from Hurley and Davies for a comprehensive feasibility study at the Workmen's Hall.

Minutes of the meeting of the FINANCE COMMITTEE held at the Council Offices, Bedwas on Thursday 10 July 2014 at 6pm

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JR Davies	
RT Davies	
J Gale (in the Chair)	
	D Havard
	B James
L Jones	
	K Regan
M Williams	

Also Present: Sally Chick (Clerk), Diane Probert (Asst. Clerk)

Cllr RT Davies informed Council that he had to leave the meeting but wanted to make Councillors aware that the future of Bedwas Swimming Pool and also some adult education classes were in doubt. Council discussed this situation and agreed more information was required on this matter.

6.55 RT Davies left the meeting.

- 45. Payments since last meeting were noted.
- 46. Ward Project expenditure was noted.
- 47. Accounts of Bedwas Workmen's Hall – these were accepted by Council and it was agreed that the grant for £2000 be released.

Council asked Clerk to send a letter of thanks to the Hall Committee for stepping in and carrying out cleaning duties temporarily.

- 48. Letter received from Hall Committee regarding the bins was noted and it was agreed Clerk to look into someone to deal with this.
- 49. Council agreed that Assistant Clerk be given extra pay for covering Clerk during absence and holiday periods.

48. Applications for Financial Assistance: –

Bedwas High School – £100 from Bedwas, £75 from Trethomas and Machen Wards agreed. **RESOLVED** £250 total.

Minutes of the Meeting of the PLANNING COMMITTEE held at the Council Offices, Bedwas on Thursday 10 July 2014 at 6pm

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L Jones (in the Chair)	
	K Regan
M Williams	

Also Present: Sally Chick (Clerk), Diane Probert (Asst. Clerk)

Declaration of Interest: 14/0387 – Cllr JR Davies
14/0396 – Cllr L Aldworth

49. Applications for Planning were decided as follows:

Case Ref. 14/0387/FULL

Location: Craig Back Penrhiw Lane Machen Caerphilly CF83 8PX

Proposal: Erect three houses

Applicant: Mr J Walton Craig Bach Penrhiw Lane Machen

RESOLVED: More Information Required

Case Ref. 14/0396/FULL

Location: Palwynda Newport Road Trethomas Caerphilly CF83 8GB

Proposal: Erect extension to front and rear and construct dormer roof to form first floor

Applicant: Mr D Bloor 29 Tydfil Road Bedwas

RESOLVED: More Information Required

Case Ref. 14/0394/FULL

Location: Pandy House Grazing Land Commercial Machen Caerphilly

Proposal: Move a pair of field gates further along the fence line

Applicant: Groundwork Mr K Fairhall Mynyddiswyn Office Bryn Road Pontllanfraith

RESOLVED: No Objection

Case Ref. 14/0451/TPO

Location: 5 Rectory Gardens Machen Caerphilly CF83 8SU

Proposal: Dismantle and fell an oak tree and crown reduce an oak tree by 20% (Tree Preservation Order 17/65MCC).

Applicant: Mr P Menzies 5 Rectory Gardens Machen

RESOLVED: No Objection

Case Ref. 14/0454/ADV

Location: The Co operative Food 51-53 Church Street Bedwas Caerphilly

Proposal: Erect one internally illuminated fascia sign, one internally illuminated projection sign and one internally illuminated totem sign.

Applicant: Co operative Group

RESOLVED: Size of signs?

Case Ref. 14/0444/FULL

Location: Glyn Gwyn Farm High Street Trethomas Caerphilly Cf83 8FU

Proposal: Part demolish and erect extension to west elevation.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs J Nicholas Glyn Gwyn Farm High Street Trethomas

RESOLVED: More information

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50. The Chairman asked for Newsletter articles to be submitted as soon as possible. Also, pen portraits from Councillors to be submitted please.
51. Cllr Jones informed Cllr DJ Davies that he had been voted onto the Maintenance Committee of the Workmen's Hall in his absence.