

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 14th November 2024**

Present: Cllr P Rosser (Chair), Cllr L Phipps, Cllr K Ingram, Cllr J Winslade, Cllr A McConnell, Cllr E Aldworth

Apologies: Cllr C Morgan, Cllr E Phipps-Magill, Cllr D Davies, Cllr S Aicheler

Clerk/ Proper Officer: Ann Butler

1/ Police matters

CSO Rhiannon Collins attended the meeting, and a report was circulated to all councillors at this time

2/ BWH

Adam Birkinshaw Bird was delayed at work, so Cllr Rosser agreed to forgo the report this month.

Cllr Phipps has requested all councillors receive a copy of the minutes from BWH monthly Committee meetings. Clerk to arrange

3/ Declarations of Interest

Cllr Phipps and Cllr Winslade declared an interest in the application for funding from BWH and will take no part in discussions. Cllr Aldworth will not take part in planning discussions due to her CCBC role

4/ Minutes of the previous meetings

The meeting acknowledged the minutes of the Full Council meeting on 10th October as a true and correct record and agreed for signature.

5/ Clerk’s report

- a/ Local Government Services Pay Agreement 2024/25 was circulated to all councillors. Clerk requested agreement to implement the new pay scales and backdate to April 24 as per OVW advice. Unanimously agreed
- b/ Clerk shared with council 3 “Thank You” letters received from charities following donations from Cllr Rosser from his Chairs Allowance. Ty Hafan, St David’s Hospice Care and Marie Curie

6/ Bedwas Library

Cllr Morgan report was read out by Cllr Rosser about the possibility of a Community Asset Transfer of the Bedwas Library and requested permission for work with Derek Allford to build a business plan and explore funding streams. Council agreed to allow initial investigations

7/ Finance matters

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

Financial Assistance Applications

One application received this month. Bedwas Workmen's Hall - £150 to support the provision of a Children's Christmas party. Application refused as it does not meet the terms of our grant policy. Cllr Rosser has offered £50 from his Chair's allowance for BWH and a further £20 for raffle prizes for GYR Christmas event

9/ Council Committees

Finance, Employment and Policies Committee

Next meeting arranged for 25th November

Environment & CIL Committee

Minutes from the meeting held on 28th October were circulated to all councillors. The following points were agreed:

Shipping container to be ordered at a cost of £3,495. £1,500 from budget and £1,995 from ECIL fund

Daffodil Bench. A second bench to be ordered from Howe Engineering. £1,100 maximum spend to include purchase of bench, plaque and materials to create plinth for installation

Next meeting arranged for 27th January 2025

Land & Buildings Committee

Chair and Vice Chair were not at the meeting to give an update on previous meeting.

Next meeting arranged for 20th January

Events & Leisure Committee

Meeting arranged for 18th November cancelled

Next meeting arranged for 17th February 2025

10/ Planning Applications

Cllr Aldworth took no part in planning discussions

Planning refs 24/0729/HH, 24/0726/NCC, 24/0728/FULL, 24/0766/FULL and 24/0779/TPO were all noted and approved

Date of next meeting

Next meeting is arranged for Thursday 5th December at 6.30pm

The meeting closed at 7.20 pm

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

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