

# *Michaelston-y-Fedw Community Council*

## **Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2020**

*This meeting was held on-line, as authorised by the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Wales) (Meetings) Regulations 2020*

### **Members Present:**

Councillor Mr. L. Meringolo  
Councillor Mr. N. Hallett  
Councillor Mr C. Walford

Councillor Mr. D. Schofield  
Councillor Mr G. Davies

**Apologies for Absence:** Councillor Mrs J. Taylor, Councillor Mr G. Morgan

### **08/20/01 – Minutes of the previous meeting**

The minutes of the July meeting were proposed as correct by Councillor Meringolo and seconded by Councillor Schofield.

### **08/20/02 – Matters arising**

- Fly-tipping: Newport City Council has still not responded to the emails sent to Environmental Health and the Head of Legal Services. City Councillor Suller has telephoned to say that the Head of Legal Services is pursuing the reason for non-prosecution of the people who were caught fly-tipping. The Clerk will contact Environmental Health to request a meeting to discuss how we can work together to combat the problem.
- Trees at Bridge Terrace: There has been no response to the letter sent to Newport City Homes requesting a meeting. The Clerk will try to contact NCH by email instead.
- Cefn Mably Bridge: No response from Caerphilly Council regarding our report of damage to the bridge. Another report has been submitted – the automated response says an inspection will be made within 20 days.
- The community litter-pick and work to clear the church yard are now scheduled for 15<sup>th</sup> August.

### **08/20/03 – Police matters**

- A van was broken into at Amber View at 2-3am on the 26<sup>th</sup> July.
- A van was broken into in Draethen on the 4<sup>th</sup> August. The culprits escaped on motorcycles and they drove past several of the newly installed CCTV cameras in Michaelston-y-Fedw. Camera footage has been given to the Police.

### **08/20/04 – Planning**

Planning application 20/0611– Additional dwelling adjacent to 1 Bridge Terrace. One objection has been received by the community council and another has been lodged with Newport Planning. The applicant attended the meeting and outlined the reasons for making the application. Councillors discussed the proposal and will not raise any objection to the development, provided that a safe means of access and egress can be maintained.

### **08/20/05 Roads & Rights of Way**

A video of the recent accident at the junction of Pound Hill and Penylan Road has been sent to Newport Highways department, with a repeat of our previous request to repaint the white lines at the junction.

### **08/20/06 – Correspondence**

The “Local Electricity Bill” has been introduced to parliament, aimed at changing the law so that local communities can sell renewable energy directly to customers. Councillors agreed to support the bill, and adopted the following resolution:

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*(i) notes that the Local Electricity Bill*

- *aims to address the current situation, whereby the very large financial setup and running costs involved in selling locally generated renewable electricity to local customers result in it being impossible for local renewable electricity generators to do so,*

- *if made law, would make these financial costs proportionate to the scale of a renewable electricity supplier's operation and empower councils, together with their communities, to sell locally generated renewable electricity directly to local people, businesses and organisations, and*
- *would result in revenues received by councils or community organisations that chose to set up local renewable electricity companies, which could be used to help fund local greenhouse gas emissions reduction measures and to help improve local services and facilities;*

*(ii) accordingly resolves to support the Local Electricity Bill, supported by a cross-party group of 187 MPs; and*

*(iii) further resolves to write to the local MP asking them to support the Bill in Parliament and to the organisers of the campaign for the Bill, Power for People, (at 8 Delancey Passage, Camden, London NW1 7NN or [info@powerforpeople.org.uk](mailto:info@powerforpeople.org.uk)) expressing its support.*

#### **08/20/07 – Finance**

A financial summary was presented to councillors. Income and expenditure are as expected at this point in the financial year.

#### **08/20/08 – Meeting reports**

None.

#### **08/20/09 – Chairman's Business**

None.

#### **08/20/10 – Date of next meeting**

The next meeting will be held on-line on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2020.