

Michaelston-y-Fedw Community Council

Minutes of meetings held on Wednesday 6th May and Wednesday 13th May, 2020

These meetings were held on-line as authorised by the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Wales) (Meetings) Regulations 2020

Wednesday 6th May

Members Present:

Councillor Mr. L. Meringolo
Councillor Mr. N. Hallett
Councillor Mr G. Davies
Councillor Mr C. Walford
Councillor Mr. D. Schofield
Councillor Mr. G. Morgan
Councillor Mrs. J. Taylor

Apologies for Absence: None

2020 Annual General Meeting

Election of Officers for 2019-20

- **Chair:** Councillor Taylor was elected unopposed
- **Vice Chair:** Councillor Walford was elected unopposed
- **Planning Sub-Committee:** It was agreed that any three councillors can form a quorum for decisions on planning applications.
- **Internal Auditor:** It was agreed that Small Office Solutions should be re-appointed as internal auditors, as per the existing 3-year agreement.

Agreement of Council Budget: The meeting formally agreed the 2020-221 budget.

May 2020 Community Council

05/20/01 – Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the April meeting were proposed as correct by Councillor Walford and seconded by Councillor Schofield.

05/20/02 – Matters arising

None.

05/20/03 – Police matters

Nothing to report.

05/20/04 – Planning

- Planning application 20/0388 Listed building consent for refurbishment at The Old Rectory, Michaelston-y-Fedw. It was agreed that a planning sub-committee would consider this application.

05/20/05 Roads & Rights of Way

Nothing to report.

05/20/06 – Correspondence

- New regulations have been enacted which permit councils to hold meetings on-line until May 2021. Guidance has also been issued regarding the software to be used. The use of Zoom is discouraged, but not prohibited, because it is not considered secure. The recommended software, MS Teams, has been found to be difficult to set up so, as meetings of the community council are public and do not involve confidential material, it was agreed to continue using Zoom for the time being.

05/20/07 – Finance

- Payment of £34.99 for internet security software was agreed.

05/20/08 – Meeting reports

None

05/20/09 – Chairman’s Business

- Councillor Davies has repainted the finger post sign next to Michaelston Bridge and it will now be re-erected.

05/20/10 – Date of next meeting

- The next meeting will be held on-line on Wednesday 3rd June 2020.
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Wednesday 13th May 2020

Members Present:

Councillor Mr. L. Meringolo

Councillor Mr. N. Hallett

Councillor Mr G. Davies

Councillor Mr C. Walford

Councillor Mr. D. Schofield

Councillor Mr. G. Morgan

Councillor Mrs. J. Taylor

Extraordinary AGM

This meeting was convened to elect a Chair following Councillor Taylor’s resignation from the role. Councillor Hallett was re-elected unopposed. Councillor Taylor is happy to become Chair next year, after the purchase of the Village Hall from Newport Council has been completed.

Other Business

- **Planning application 20/0388** – Listed building consent for partial refurbishment and internal alterations at The Old Rectory. Councillor Walford has examined the plans and the proposals are of appropriate quality for works to a listed building. All councillors were in favour of supporting the application.
 - **Fly-tipping** – A letter has been received from a resident with evidence of yet more fly-tipping at the location where people were caught tipping last November. There has also been another incident this week where a lorry-load of waste was tipped in a gateway near the junction of Penylan Road and Druidstone Road. The following actions were agreed:
 - Contact Newport Council for an update on the prosecution of those caught tipping last November
 - Forward the resident’s evidence of recent fly-tipping to Newport Council with a request that they investigate and prosecute if possible
 - Investigate the legality of installing CCTV cameras at fly-tipping trouble spots
 - Purchase signs warning potential tippers that the community is watching and will prosecute anyone caught tipping rubbish.
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