

County Borough of Caerphilly  
**Nelson Community Council**

**MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
Ordinary Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2021 beginning at 7-00 p.m.  
Virtual meeting held via ZOOM

Present:

Cllr. R Powell (Vice-Chair)  
Cllr. B. Miles  
Cllr. E Dafydd  
Cllr. G Davies  
Cllr. A Gray  
Cllr. A Blackman  
Cllr S Morgan

Mr T White (Clerk)

Apologies for absence

Cllr. L. Dufty (Chair)  
Cllr Z Barnett Jones

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**Declaration of Interest:**

*Members should make their declarations of personal or prejudicial interests at the start of the meeting for Agenda items when they are aware beforehand that these apply, or otherwise do so either before or during discussion (as is most appropriate) if they become aware that any such interests may relate to a matter then being considered.*

*Cllr Powell Chaired the meeting*

**The Council held 1 minutes silence for Alan Hoskins who had sadly passed away having been Clerk to the Council for many years**

## **2628 To Receive a Report from the Community Police Representative**

Apologies had been received from the Police as there was no-one on shift and available to attend the meeting.

The Police did confirm that the serious incident reported at the last meeting took place in a private dwelling and at this stage it was not felt there was risk to the wider community

## **2629 Receive apologies for absence**

Cllr. L. Duffy (Chair)

Cllr Z Barnett Jones

## **2630 To Receive and Approve Minutes:**

### **To receive and approve the minutes of the:**

Ordinary Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> February 2021 – approved

Activities Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> February 2021 – approved

2609 – Members thanked Cllr Miles for her work on the Easter Competition.

Easter competition closing date 5<sup>th</sup> April

Posters to be displayed in Schools

Include details on the new website

2612 - Easter Competition results in Summer Newsletter

## **2631 To consider rental issues regarding boxing club**

The Clerk confirmed he had spoken to the Boxing Club and unfortunately they had not been able to access the Grants available as they do not pay the NNDR on the building.

Members agreed to waiver the rental for 2020/2021

The Clerk confirmed he could not find a copy of the Lease and it may advantage the Boxing Club if this is revisited and we explore if they would actually have to pay NNDR if they were responsible for its payment. There may be an added benefit in that they would probably be entitled to claim grants if we should find ourselves in a similar situation

## **2632 To consider any issues with the new website**

The Clerk confirmed it was now up and running although there had been some teething issues. It was agreed that Members would forward any local businesses who would want their business link included.

## **2633 To receive a report from the Chair**

The Chair was unable to attend so no updates available

## 2634 Report from Clerk

### a PLANNING

#### up to 4<sup>th</sup> February

No applications

#### up to 10<sup>th</sup> February

No applications

#### up to 18<sup>th</sup> February

Case Ref. 21/0114/NOTA

Site Area: 449m<sup>2</sup>

Location: Gelliargwellt Uchaf Farm Gelligaer Road Gelligaer Hengoed CF82 8FY (UPRN 000043086592)

Proposal: Erect silage pit

Case Officer: Anthony Pyne ( 01443 864523 :

pynea@caerphilly.gov.uk

Ward: St Cattwg

Map Ref: 312485 (E) 196441 (N)

Community Council: Gelligaer Community Council

Expected Decision Level:

Delegated

### b ACCOUNTS (cheque payments from 1st February to 28<sup>th</sup> February included below - all other transactions included on bank statement

D Gray Cleaner (March)	80.34
Playworks (March)	20.00
HMRC (March)	110.00
B Miles Sim, Zoom, Christmas gifts, etc.	234.85
J Hulbert Website set up	100.00
Gelligaer Young Farmers Grant Aid	250.00
Audit Wales (2019/20 Audit fees)	375.45
New Website	240.00
OVW Membership	726.00

**c CORRESPONDANCE** (correspondence not provided with the Agenda/Minutes will have been provided for Members to view prior to the meeting):

**Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Report - February 2021**

**South East Wales Vascular Network Public Engagement Events**

**Nelson festive lighting.**

**NewsOnline - Household waste recycling centre booking system**

**PSB Letter to members**

**PSB TCCLC 17 Feb 2021**

**Vaccination Update - ISSUE 6**

**Wellbeing and Placeshaping Framework - Joint Scrutiny Committee - Cabinet and Council**

**Council Agenda 24th February 2021 - Budget**

**WLGA coronavirus email update 19.02.2021**

**Internal repairs and internal wall insulation at the Nelson Institute**

**Launch of the South East Wales Vascular Network Public Engagement**

**2nd Replacement Local Development Plan (2RLDP) - Member Engagement - Introduction**

**Nevill Hall Radiotherapy Satellite Centre (RSC) Patient Survey**

**SR111286 NELSON INSTITUTE**

**Newyddlen Etholiadau / Elections Newsletter**

**NELSON COMMUNITY COUNCIL - LDP consultation**

**Aneurin Bevan CHC Facetime Buddying Project/CIC Aneurin Bevan**

**ABUHB Vaccination Weekly Update - Newsletter ISSUE 5**

**WLGA coronavirus email update 12.02.2021**

**Keep Wales Safe Campaign**

**All Wales Covid-19 Wellbeing Second Survey**

**Grant Aid Wales Air Ambulance Charity Emergency Appeal**

### **2635 OVW Membership**

The Clerk explained the Membership was now due but we had not yet received the invoice. Members agreed to renew as long as there was no significant increase in charge.

### **2636 To consider impact of road trial system of Bwll Road (Cllr Blackman).**

Both Cllr Blackman and Cllr Miles declared an interest as they live on Shingrig Road and in close proximity to the junction with Bwll Road.

Due to connectivity issues the Clerk explained that Cllr Blackman had asked if we could explore the issue to additional monitoring of traffic and speed of vehicles using Shingrig Road. Cllr Gray also raised the point that other streets had been affected by the changes. Cllr Morgan suggested the current impact (due to the total closure of the road) would not fairly represent the longer term implications and agreed he could speak to the section responsible to see if they could undertake monitoring when the works are completed. Cllr Morgan also pointed out that there may be other factors affecting traffic flow such as the Welsh Water Closure of their main offices, Coronavirus restrictions and more people working from home.

### **2637 To consider use of Purchase Card for ad-hoc/on-line purchases.**

Cllr Miles proposed that the Community Council apply for a Purchase Card so purchases could be made on behalf of the Community Council. The Clerk pointed out its use would require changes to the Financial Regulations to ensure control and accountability for its usage.

Members agreed that the Council should apply for the Barclay Card Purchase Card with restrictions on expenditure of £500

### **2638 Consider options for remedying damp in downstairs meeting room.**

The Chair thanked Cllr Dafydd for producing the work schedule. Members asked that the work to the internal walls be included and that we look at sealing the external wall. Cllr Dafydd agreed to investigate these items and Cllr Powell would try and retrieve the other quotation received.

Cllr Morgan suggested the Council may want to explore renting out the Chamber as an Office and the downstairs meeting room as a retail unit to raise funds to undertake the work whilst offering more opportunities for businesses in Nelson. Members pointed out this was not the item being considered and should be Agenda'd for a future meeting. Cllr Morgan confirmed he would not be asking for it to be Agenda'd as he has a retail unit within the building.

**2639 Receive feedback from Members who had met Interserve regarding the Public Toilets**

Cllr Powell confirmed he and Cllr Miles had met with Interserve and Mr Edmunds and had a very positive meeting. Alterations to the door may cost between £4,000 and £4,500 and Interserve are still agreeing to undertake upgrading and cosmetic work on the building.

Members thanked them for their work on the issue and are keen to proceed.

The Clerk explained that they had allocated £5,000 as a ear marked reserve for Public Toilets but there was no ongoing revenue budget to fund this facility so the self financing model suggested by Mr Edmunds would overcome this problem.

**2640 Consider any questions from Members of the Public**

No questions

**2641 Grant Aid Applications**

Members considered the following applications

Air Ambulance

Heol Fawr Allotments -

Hollybush Allotments

Members agreed to provide £250 to each although concerns were raised about the amount provided to a National organisation. It was accepted it was a special case and the majority agreed to the £250

Meeting closed ... 11<sup>th</sup> March 8-50 pm

**signed.....CHAIRMAN**