## **Nelson Community Council**

Ordinary Meeting held on 9th September 2021 beginning at 7-00 p.m.

Virtual meeting held via ZOOM

Present: Cllr. R Powell (Chair)

Cllr. E Ap Dafydd

Cllr. G Davies

Cllr. A Gray

Cllr. L. Dufty

Cllr. B Jenkins

Mr. L John (Clerk)

Apologies for absence: Cllr. B. Miles (Vice Chair)

Cllr S Morgan

Police Representative

No declarations of interest were received.

1. **To Receive apologies for absence**

Councillors acknowledged the apologies of Cllr. B. Miles (Vice Chair), Cllr S Morgan and a police representative.

1. **To Receive a Report from the Community Police Representative**

It was noted that reports had been received for previous meetings (May & June) but had been filtered by the spam function in the Council mailbox.

The report for August had been received late and was presented by the Clerk.

It was resolved that BJ make contact with the police to receive baseline information about their provision and attendance at meetings (through Freedom of Information request).

1. **To Receive and approve the minutes of the:**

The minutes of the ordinary meeting on 8th July 2012 were approved.

2690: Members agreed to discuss issues arising from the Community Centre minutes at the next meeting.

2695: It was confirmed that a cheque has been received from Interserve.

2698: Proposed traffic orders. Members reported concerns of residents relating to work not being completed in Wern Crescent.

2699: It was confirmed that requests for quotations had been made for the replacement of the rear door at Nelson Institute. Members agreed to support the cheapest quotation and agreed for AG to place the order.

2690: School meals. Requests for information have been made but follow-ups will be made to clarify the responses.

2690: Bus stop. It was noted that plans have now changed.

1. **This item had been placed on the agenda in error**
2. **To consider the re-opening of Nelson Institute**

It was noted that there had been numerous requests from community groups to start using the facility again.

Members agreed for the clerk to consider the risk assessment template and share. LD agreed to share the risk assessment of the Community Centre.

1. **To consider the implications of Operation London Bridge**

Members considered the implications and noted that Welsh Government and the principle authority would take the lead on actions.

1. **To consider any issues with the website**

There were no issues to report.

1. **To receive a report from the Chair**

The chair provided a verbal report. The following was noted:-

* The toilets are up and running and appear to be well-used**.** A report on use is due shortly.
* Members discussed the plans of Bute Energy. It was noted that an information-gathering meeting with Bute Energy will take place on 23rd September at the Institute (6pm). Members noted that it would appear that much of the disruption, initially, would affect Nelson.

1. **To receive a report from the Clerk**

The Clerk provided a verbal report. The following was shared: -

* Details of correspondence available online [here](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1eDOso7wbho51T6QiNSBpBlnoZ64nds0wL6KFZ1vLzgA/edit?usp=sharing)
* Planning also available [here](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1eDOso7wbho51T6QiNSBpBlnoZ64nds0wL6KFZ1vLzgA/edit?usp=sharing)
* Finance. An update is to be provided at the next meeting.
* Ways of Working: The Clerk informed the Council that he intended to base himself at Nelson Institute at a regular time each week for the convenience of all concerned.

1. **To consider correspondence and related actions**

There was nothing additional to consider.

1. **To consider the format and venue of subsequent Council meetings**

Councillors agreed to hold meetings online and will review again in the December meeting.

1. **To consider limitations and approval criteria for Grant Aid applications**

Councillors agreed for RP to propose criteria and present at the next meeting. It was confirmed that there were no current, outstanding applications.

1. **To receive any questions from members of the public/report by Members**

Members were informed of a boat that appears to be abandoned in the village. A County Councillor has been asked for assistance. Councillors resolved to make enquiries.

Councillors discussed the Community Empowerment Fund. The Clerk agreed to ask the County Councillors to confirm if they had received any applications relating to it.

Recent correspondence from Keep Wales Tidy has requested feedback about recent bird box equipment. The Clerk agreed to clarify when and where it was delivered.

News of a recent burglary at a Community Centre was shared and CCTV has now been installed.

Councillors suggested a combination lock to secure the Nelson Institute rear car park. Tenants have already agreed in principle to this. The lock would minimise fly-tipping and LD agreed to check whose rubbish was currently within the car park. AG agreed to check with tenants.

Members were informed that a mini-junior team is to be established at the local football club (U/7s and U/8s). The first taster sessions will be held shortly and volunteers are requested.

Meeting closed 8:50 pm

**Signed........................................**

**CHAIRMAN**