

Gwehelog Fawr Community Council Minutes Meeting Number 369

Venue: Gwehelog Village Hall on 26 June 2019 at 8.00pm

Present: Chair : Cllr.S Carbury, (SC) Cllr.J.Kershaw (JK), Cllr. R.Carbury,(RC), Cllr. R. Marfell (RM), Cllr.C.Kirby, (CK),

In attendance: the Clerk Ms. Awni, (NA), MCC County Councillor V Smith (VS)

Members of the Public attending 3 (Note: Monmouthshire County Council is MCC)

Item No.	Item	Action
1	<p>Apologies for Absence: Cllr Bayliss and Cllr Goodwin</p> <p>Declarations of Interest – Cllr S Carbury wished it to be noted that he declared an interest in the Planning Application DM/2018/01641 item, which remains pending for further information. He carries out work for the company.</p>	
2	<p>The minutes from the Annual Statutory Meeting held on 29 May at 8.00pm were approved for accuracy proposed by Cllr CK seconded by Cllr RC.</p> <p>There were no matters arising as the Community Project is on the agenda</p>	Clerk to place on website and circulate
3	<p>Minutes of the previous ordinary meeting no 368 held on 29 May 2019 at 8.35pm</p> <p>There were no corrections to the minutes proposed. They were approved as a correct record following a proposal by Cllr CK which was seconded by Cllr RC</p>	
4	<p>Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting no 368</p> <p>Highways - Potholes have been reported and action taken</p> <p>Report of a roadside bank falling away -this has been attended to</p> <p>Waste and Recycling -Cllr RM made observations on the difficulty of obtaining a permit for light commercial vehicles but this is not currently an issue.</p>	
5	<p>Planning Matters - members agreed to suspend standing orders and move to the Planning Agenda Item as 3 members of the public wished to speak on specific planning matters. New information placed on the planning portal has been a cause of concern to local residents in relation to DM/2018/01641 Trostrey Court Farm Barns. A resident, who is a Community Councillor on a neighbouring council, had requested this as an agenda item. It was clarified that they would speak as a resident and not in their capacity as a councillor. The Vice Chair took the Chair for the discussion around this item, given the declaration of interest by the Chair, who took no part in the discussion. A comment on the application had already been submitted by the Council, however, the application had not gone forward to the MCC Committee and further reports and information were awaited. The Vice Chair, confirmed that there was frustration at the fragments of information that were coming out of this application and he recognised that there had been a tremendous amount of work to understand the full extent which had been carried out by individual residents. As the Council was not clear on the planning procedure, prior to the meeting, the clerk had been asked to write to the planning team to gauge where the application process now was and if there was ‘any deficit in the democratic process’. The email query had been placed on the public site of the planning portal but had been requested to be removed, as it was a request for information and not a formal council comment. A response had been received from Kate Bingham, Planning officer, earlier today, who had confirmed that there is no change on MCC policy in terms of planning application notification. Once all the necessary information is gathered from the applicant on this application then ‘we will formally reconult’.</p> <p>The two members of the public present for this matter, were invited to discuss the planned plant changes and this was discussed in some detail. Two of the residents spoke in earnest of their specific concerns around this development. In particular, what</p>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial position 2019/20 – The income, receipt and expenditure details for April, May and June were circulated prior to the meeting. The first quarter precept payment for £1500, had been received from MCC on 30 April and was updated in the May receipt column making the total available at 1 June £5078.82. Payments relating to postage, clerk salary and payroll admin cost totalling £227.08 were recorded during June. When expenditure is made this will leave an available account balance of £4851.74. The Authority to Pay the expenses were proposed by Cllr RC and seconded by Cllr RM. Authorised signatories signed the withdrawal slips. It was proposed by Cllr RC and seconded by Cllr JK that the account book be signed by the Chair as a correct record of account balance of £5078.82. The letter from MBS (May, 2019), confirming interest on the account of £12.95 for 2018/9 was circulated to members. 	Clerk to action
8	Community Project matters – The Clerk had circulated on behalf of the Vice Chair, a draft letter for residents to canvas their views on the project proposal. Members asked whether there were any risks in relation to GDPR in doing this and the Vice Chair confirmed that as the envelopes would be closed then no. The proposal by the Vice Chair to circulate the letter was seconded by Cllr RC and all were in favour.	Vice Chair to action
9	It was proposed by Cllr RC and seconded by Cllr JK that the Policy - Model Complaints and Disputes resolution should be considered at the July meeting	Clerk to bring forward
10	Highways - The Vice Chair confirmed that he would send the Clerk photographs of the road sign and details required, for reporting to MCC and the repositioning of it. Cllr CK raised the issue of white lines which had still not been put down. Cllr JK will notify the clerk of the co-ordinates to report to MCC.	Vice Chair and Clerk to action
11	Reports - The Village Hall report was circulated prior to the meeting	
12	Questions from the public – these had been taken under the planning item	
13	Correspondence : A correspondence list will be sent prior to the next meeting. Email received from	Clerk to b/fwd
14	Events and training : Online training modules now available free from OVW - details had been circulated to members The Vice Chair had attended a OVW event on Understanding the Law (Module 4) which he had found useful. Invoice awaited. Clerk reported that she would attend the OVW Advanced Finance training module next week.	
15	Matters for the next meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Proposed joint working with Llanarth Fawr Community Council to pool knowledge and gather facts - Community Project update - Model Local Resolution Protocol for Community and Town Councils 	
	The meeting was declared closed at 9.30pm Next meeting : 31 July 2019 at 8.00 pm	