

Michaelston-y-Fedw Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held at Michaelston-y-Fedw Village Hall Wednesday 7th June 2017

Members Present:

Councillor Mr G. Davies
Councillor Mr C. Walford
Councillor Mr L. Meringolo
Councillor Mr G. Morgan
Councillor Mr. D. Schofield

Apologies for absence

Councillor Mr. N. Hallett
Councillor Mrs. J. Taylor
Ward Councillor Mr R. White

06/17/01 – Minutes of the previous meetings

- The minutes of the 10th May meeting were proposed as correct by Councillor Davies and seconded by Councillor Morgan.

06/17/02 – Matters arising

- Village Hall car park – ongoing

06/17/03 – Police matters

- The monthly police report for May was circulated at the meeting.

06/17/04 – Planning

- Application 17/00525 – addition of a front porch at Pant Farm, Tyla Lane. The council supports this application.

06/17/05 Roads & Rights of Way

- There has been a request for a Michaelston y Fedw sign at the bottom of Began Road hill and for a width / weight limit sign at Michaelston Bridge. The Clerk will contact Councillor Hallett for clarification on the former and Ward Councillor White for help with the latter.

06/17/06 – Correspondence

- Guidance on the completion of Register Of Interests forms has been received from Mr Gareth Price, Head of Newport Legal Services. Publication of a register of interests is optional for community councils, it is only mandatory for city councils. Councillors decided not to publish a Register Of Interests as the information required is considered too intrusive for community councillors. Each councillor will however need to declare a personal interest if there is any possible conflict with matters under discussion.
- An invitation has been received for the council to appoint a representative to the Standards Committee for Community Councils. Councillor Schofield will take on this role.

06/17/07 – Finance

- The 2016-17 accounts have been received back from the Internal Auditor. It was agreed that the accounts should be formally adopted. The annual return for external audit was approved. The Internal Auditor's invoice for £176 is to be paid.

- Because of the retirement from the council of Councillors Rowlands and Huckle, new signatories are needed for the council's bank account. It was agreed that all of the councillors present at this meeting should be authorised to sign bank documents and cheques.

06/17/08 – Meeting Reports

- Councillor Schofield attended Newport Council's Code Of Conduct meeting. It was learned that councillors who are also members of organisations seeking grants from the Community Council must declare an interest, but they can take part in voting as long as the amount in question is less than £500.

06/17/09 – Other Business

- Councillor Davies has previously expressed concern that the council may not be communicating well enough with people in the area. Councillors thought it would be helpful to invite people to subscribe to an email newsletter and / or a flyer and to invite the Church, W.I. etc. to contribute material. The Clerk will discuss options with Councillor Schofield.

The meeting closed at 9pm.