

Michaelston-y-Fedw Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held at Michaelston-y-Fedw Village Hall Wednesday June 5th 2019

Members Present:

Councillor Mr G. Davies
Councillor Mr. D. Schofield
Councillor Mr. N. Hallett
Councillor Mr C. Walford
Councillor Mr. G. Morgan
Councillor Mr. L. Meringolo
Councillor Mrs. J. Taylor
City Councillor Mr. R. White
City Councillor Mr. T. Suller

Apologies for Absence: None

6/19/01 – Minutes of the previous meeting

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

6/19/02 – Matters arising

- Installation of the “Welcome to Michaelston-y-Fedw” signs - ongoing
- Material to reinforce the grass in the car park – 4 rolls of material will be required at approximately £300 per roll. Councillors agreed to purchase this.

6/19/03 – Police matters

- The meeting was attended by two Police Community Support Officers. They pointed out that the statistics in the monthly report are misleading because of a system fault that includes crimes happening outside the Marshfield area. There is actually very little crime in the area, and none were reported in Michaelston-y-Fedw during May.

6/19/04 – Planning

- It was noted that work to fell a dead tree subject to a TPO at The Old Rectory took place before planning consent had been granted.
- Councillors considered planning application number 19/0110 for extensions and alterations at Clearwell Farm. Councillor Taylor declared an interest in this matter. No objection will be raised.
- Several councillors expressed concern at the scale of development that has already taken place and is ongoing at Cefn Mably Farm Park, including the clearance of woodland on the opposite side of the road. Traffic congestion has caused difficulties for residents of Tai Derwen trying to access their homes from Began Road and this may become worse if further visitor attractions are added at the park. The concerns will be raised with Newport Planning department.

6/19/05 Roads & Rights of Way

- The Clerk has requested updates from Newport Council about the matters reported in February and March, namely road markings on Began Road and Penylan Road, a large pothole near Fairwater Farm and request for a “Slow” sign on Began Road. Another recent road accident at the junction of Hollyhouse Lane and Penylan Road highlights the need for road markings to be reinstated. No replies have been received from Newport Council despite follow-up emails and formal complaints. City Councillor White took details and will raise these with the relevant departments.
- Water continues to flow down Began Road hill, despite approaches to the owner of the land from where a stream has been diverted onto the road. The road surface is

now being eroded. City Councillor White will raise the matter with Newport Highways department.

6/19/06 – Correspondence

- None

6/19/07 – Finance

- The internal audit for 2018-19 is complete. Councillors approved payment of the agreed fee.
- The External Audit report was formally approved and will now be submitted.
- Machinery owned by Councillor Walford was badly damaged while being used during the community clearance of the churchyard. No claim was made by Councillor Walford, but councillors agreed that the council should meet the cost of the damage. The Clerk will take legal advice on the proper method for making the payment without creating a conflict of interest.

6/19/08 – Chairman's Business

- City Councillor White pointed out that if the proposed transfer of two community councils from Marshfield ward to Tredegar Park ward takes place, then there will be only one city councillor for Marshfield rather than two who are present at tonight's meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm