

Michaelston-y-Fedw Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held at Michaelston-y-Fedw Village Hall
Wednesday 2nd November 2016

Members Present:

Councillor Dr C. Rowlands
Councillor Mr G. Davies
Councillor Mrs. A. Huckle
Councillor Mr V. Davies

Ward Councillors Present:

Councillor Mr R. White
Ward Councillor Mr T. Suller

Apologies for absence:

Councillor Mr C. Walford
Councillor Mr L. Meringolo
Councillor Mr G. Morgan

11/16/01 – Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on the 5th October 2016 were proposed as correct by Councillor G. Davies and seconded by Councillor V. Davies.

11/16/02 – Matters arising

- Additional price quotations are still awaited for strengthening the grass areas of the Village Hall car park.
- Anesco Update:
 - Councillor Rowlands met with Gareth Price, Head of Legal Services at Newport Council. Newport Council would not accept money from Anesco, as it would suggest that planning permission could be bought.
 - A joint press release between the community council and KUR is to be sent to the South Wales Argus. KUR are considering what to do next – there will be a public meeting on the 16th November.
 - It is noted that access conditions for the site have been approved under delegated powers. Councillor Rowlands complained to the Ward Councillors that, given the public antipathy towards the development, these matters should have been taken to Planning Committee.

11/16/03 – Police matters

- The monthly police report for October was circulated at the meeting. The detection rate in this ward last month was 6.6%. The Clerk will invite the police to attend the next meeting.

11/16/04 – Planning

- Pre-application information has been received regarding a proposed health & wellness facility at “Cefn Mably Farm” (known more generally as Bridge Farm). The proposers of the scheme will be invited to present their ideas at the next meeting.
- Application 16/0348 The applicant has appealed against the refusal of planning permission for a new dwelling, The appeal is to be dealt with by written representations. Councillors disagree with the grounds for refusal cited by Newport Council, as these would prohibit all new housing within the village. The Clerk will write to the Planning Inspector criticising the grounds for refusal, rather than the refusal itself.

11/16/05 – Correspondence

- A letter has been received inviting the community council to nominate a governor for Marshfield Primary School. Councillor V. Davies expressed interest, but withdrew in favour of Councillor G. Morgan who has a grandchild at the school.

11/16/06 – Finance

- Councillors reviewed this year's income and expenditure against the current budget. There are no immediate concerns but some projects need to start if the money is to be spent in the intended time-frame. The Clerk will seek price quotations for the installation of CCTV cameras.
- External auditors require that the council shows a proper process for appointing the internal auditor. The Clerk will seek price quotations from the current auditor and from another reputable firm. A letter of engagement will also be prepared.
- Ward Councillor R. White showed details of the bids for precept by other community councils. The Clerk will circulate this information.

11/16/07 – Meeting Reports

None

11/16/08 – Other Business

- The Chair suggested a visit the Houses of Parliament, as councillors will be retiring from office next May. The Clerk will write Paul Flynn MP to ask whether this can be arranged.

The meeting concluded at 8.35pm.