

Michaelston-Y-Fedw Community Council

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Minutes of the meeting held at Michaelston-Y-Fedw village hall on
Wednesday 3rd November, 2010.

Members Present

Councillor Mr L Meringolo, Chairman
Councillor Mrs A Huckle
Councillor Mrs C Dixon
Councillor Mr C Walford

Marshfield Ward Councillors

Councillor Mr R White
Councillor Mr T Suller

Apologies for absence

Councillor Dr C Rowlands, Vice Chair
Councillor Mr G Davies

Agenda Item and Comments

Public Rights of Way and Access to the Countryside

The Community Council were pleased to welcome Andy Briscoe the Access Development Officer for Newport City Council. He gave a presentation regarding the public rights of way and access to the countryside. The team have been looking at improving the rights of way, as lots of the networks are in disrepair and funding has been granted to local authorities to work on an improvement plan for the next ten years. Mr Briscoe kindly offered to send the Community Council maps of the footpaths and green lanes.

11/10/01 – Minutes of the previous meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday October 6th 2010 were read and accepted as a true record. This was proposed by Cllr. Huckle and seconded by Cllr. Meringolo.

11/10/02 – Police Matters

Cllr. Meringolo reported that scrambler motorbikes had been seen speeding through the village. Cllr. Huckle had also witnessed this. Cllr Suller stated how important it is to report these incidents to the Police, as the more reports the more likely that action would be taken.

Cllr. White informed the Council of a rise in shed break-ins and that people should no longer call Castleton Police Station, as it is no longer manned.

For non-urgent incidents, as above, the Police should be called on 101.

11/10/03 – Matters Arising

Community Council Vacancy

The Vacancy had been advertised and three applications had been received, although one was not within the time limit. This application was from former Community Councillor, David Phillips. In his long letter he alleged that the community council had not followed correct election procedures in the past. It was agreed that this matter would be referred to Newport Council's Electoral Officer, Phillip Johnson for further investigation.

The Community Councillors then held a ballot on the submitted applications. Gareth Holtham was unanimously co-opted on as a new Councillor.

Action: Clerk and Cllr. Meringolo to respond to the applicants.

11/10/04 – Planning

No planning applications were received.

10/10/05 – Roads, Hedges, Verges and Bridges

Prior to the meeting the Clerk had contacted Andy Briscoombe and asked him to look into the matter of a bridal path not being maintained. Mr Briscoombe replied that the path was a green lane and it was therefore a highways issue that he would pass on.

11/10/06 – Correspondence

Caerphilly Council

Notification that the examination of Caerphilly County Borough Local Development Plan is now closed.

11/10/07 – Finance Matters

Annual Return

The Annual Return for the year ended the 31st March 2010 was returned from Mazars. The Council needed to re-certify the audit following a query regarding the internal audit. The council re-certified, the Chair signed, and the clerk is to return it.

The following cheques were written:

Clerk's Wages

£55.00 cheque no.000315.

Finance Projects - Church Lighting

The Church has obtained permission for the lighting and are now awaiting the quote. It was agreed that the Community Council would give a grant towards the cost of the lighting rather than funding the whole project. This would hopefully speed up the process while the church obtains its quotes.

Action: Cllr. Rowlands to follow up.

Church Path resurfacing

Cllr. Rowlands spoke to the landlord who is still awaiting news from the brewery.

11/10/08 – Meeting Reports

There were no meetings to report.

11/10/09 – Chairman's Business

The Chairman had no other matters to report on.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 9.20pm. The next meeting is to be held on Wednesday, December 8th 2010 at the Village Hall, Michaelston-Y-Fedw.