Michaelston-y-Fedw Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held at Michaelston-y-Fedw Village Hall Tuesday September 17th 2019

Members Present:

Councillor Mr. N. Hallett Councillor Mr. D. Schofield Councillor Mr. L. Meringolo Councillor Mrs. J. Taylor Councillor Mr C. Walford

Apologies for Absence:

Councillor Mr. G. Morgan Councillor Mr. G. Davies

This meeting was convened to consider two planning applications for which Newport Council require responses before the next regular community council meeting.

1. Application 19/0902 – Retention of agricultural access track on land East of Cefn Mably Farm Park

The applicant Mr Rhys Edwards attended the meeting and was invited to explain the application. Mr Edwards said that the access was needed because he has planning permission for an agricultural building on the site and the existing access on the hill has a poor road vision splay because of trees near the gate. He intends to permanently close that access. Mr Edwards stated he wants to use the site for infrastructure to support the farm park, e.g. the storage of stone, and the possible installation of "glamping" pods, but he said it will never be anything to do with the farm park in terms of customers, parking or expansion. Mr Edwards denied the rumour that the access road will be used to service a car park.

The site is very wet and will be drained by constructing a pond in the centre, which will also take the water that currently runs down Began Road.

When asked why construction had started without planning consent, Mr Edwards said that he believed it would be a permitted development.

Councillors resolved not to object to this application, but to include Mr Edwards' promises as part of the response with a request that they are incorporated into conditions for planning consent, together with a requirement that the road surface is properly finished,

2. Application 19/0732 – Revised proposals for extension to Saanen, Druidstone Road.

Councillor Walford declared an interest in this matter. Councillors agreed to endorse the application.

The meeting ended at 8.15pm.