

## Michaelston-Y-Fedw Community Council

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Minutes of the meeting held at Michaelston-Y-Fedw village hall on  
Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2008.

### **Members Present**

Councillor Dr C Rowlands, Chairman  
Councillor Mr G Davies  
Councillor Mr R White  
Councillor Mr D Philips  
Councillor Mr L Meringolo  
Councillor Mr W Pursey  
Councillor Mr C Walford

### **Apologies for absence**

Councillor Mrs A Huckle  
Councillor Mrs C Dixon, Vice Chair  
P C Paul Greenwood  
Councillor Mr S Tyler

## **Agenda Item and Comments**

### **03/08/01 – Minutes of the previous meeting.**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2008 were read and accepted as a true record. This was proposed by Cllr. Rowlands and seconded by Cllr. Davies.

### **03/08/02 – Police Matters**

As PC Greenwood was unable to attend the meeting there were no police matters to report and the Community Councillors had no issues that they wished to raise.

### **03/08/03 – Matters Arising**

#### **River Clean**

The preliminary assessment for the river clean has been postponed due to inclement weather.

**Action: Cllr. Rowlands to arrange another date when the weather improves.**

#### **Access to Village Hall**

This matter is still ongoing. Cllr. Rowlands passed on several documents to Cllr. Huckle regarding this matter when it was raised previously in 2001.

**Action: Cllr. Huckle written to Newport City Council and awaiting a response.**

### **03/08/04 – Planning**

**CONEX/08/0134**

**PROPOSAL:           ERECTION OF A SEMI DETACHED DWELLING**  
**SITE:                   HEATHERTON LODGE MICHAELSTONE ROAD**  
**MICHAELSTON Y FEDW CARDIFF**

Cllr. Davies raised the question, how many times can a property be subdivided? In principal it was felt that this application was questionable but no objections were raised.

**CONEX/08/0188**

**PROPOSAL: CONVERSION OF 2NO. FARM BUILDINGS TO 6NO. HOLIDAY UNITS (RETENTION OF WORKS ALREADY CARRIED OUT) TOGETHER WITH LANDSCAPING, AFFECTING PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY 400/18, 400/20, 400/21 AND 400/22**

**SITE: BARNES TO THE SOUTH EAST AND FORMING PART OF CLEARWELL FARM PENTRE-POETH ROAD NEWPORT SOUTH WALES**

Cllr. Phillips briefly explained the application then left the meeting while it was discussed. Cllr. Rowlands stated that retrospective planning was fundamentally wrong and why did Cllr. Phillips not apply for this when he first submitted his application? The Councillors all agreed that there were no objections as the barns have been converted authentically and are an asset to the area.

**Action: Clerk to draft a letter to Emyr Davies in support of the application.**

## **03/08/05 – Roads, Hedges, Verges and Bridges**

### **Roads**

A reply was received in response to the letter regarding the potholes stating that the road had been inspected and defects recorded. It was noted that some of the pot holes had been repaired but not all of them and the road was still in a bad state of repair. Cllr. Rowlands reported that Began Road is in a terrible state with flooding and mud causing dangerous driving conditions due to vehicles moving silt and storing it on Stan Thomas' land. Cllr. Rowlands has spoken to George Richards from Newport Council who in turn was going to contact the police.

**Action: Cllr. Rowlands to contact George Richards again.**

### **Mill Corner**

The problem is still ongoing.

## **03/08/06 – Correspondence**

### **Welsh Assembly Government**

A letter detailing the local government member code of conduct. All Councillors to complete the declaration and return by the 1<sup>st</sup> May 2008.

**Action: Any Councillors who were not present at the meeting need to see the Clerk to sign the form.**

### **Mazars**

The completion of the annual audit report enclosing the certified annual return was received.

### **One Voice Wales**

An application for the renewal of the One Voice Wales membership was received.

### **Newport City Council**

A copy of the draft rights of way improvement plan asking for comments/amendments.

## **03/08/07 – Finance Matters**

The following cheques were written:

### **M-Y-F Village Hall Committee**

£300 rent for use of the village hall. Cheque no 000252

### **Mazars**

£58.75 for completion of the annual audit. Cheque no 000253

### **Yoga**

£20 for Cllr. Dixon for reimbursement for payment of the yoga taster class.

Cheque no 000254

£270.00 for Carole Heritage for taking the Yoga Classes. Cheque no 000255

### **Clerk's Salary**

£50. Cheque no 000256

### **One Voice Wales**

£28 for annual membership. Cheque no 000257

The Annual Audit was returned and the accounts passed.

## **03/08/08 – Meeting Reports**

### **South East Wales Energy Agency**

Cllr. Rowlands attended a meeting at the village hall regarding the insulation of the building. It was recommended that an energy efficiency report be carried out. As this is really a matter for the Village Hall Committee Cllr. Rowlands is to pass on the information – the result of this was that it would not be cost effective as there is no cavity for wall insulation or loft insulation and a false ceiling would have to be put in and this would be very expensive.

Gary Ford from the South Wales Energy Agency came at 7.30pm and gave a talk before the Community Council meeting began, it was very informative and gave advice on ways we can save energy at home and make our homes more energy efficient.

### **Liaison Meeting**

It was agreed that Cllr. Rowlands and Cllr. Walford would attend the next meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup> March 2008.

**Action: Clerk to add the state of rural roads and planning enforcement to the agenda**

## **03/08/09 – Chairman's Business**

### **Litter Pick**

It was agreed that the litter pick would go ahead in April as in the previous year and that a newsletter was needed to inform the community of this and the proposed river clean. Cllr. White very kindly donated £100 from Newport City Council towards the cost of the litter pick.

**Action: Clerk and Cllr. Dixon to arrange a date.**

**There being no further business the meeting concluded at 9.15pm. The next meeting is to be held on Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2008 at the Village Hall, Michaelston-Y-Fedw.**