

Michaelston-Y-Fedw Community Council

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Minutes of the meeting held at the Village Hall, Michaelston Y Fedw
on Wednesday 7th May 2014.

Members Present

Councillor Mr V Davies, Chair
Councillor Mr G Davies
Councillor Mr C Walford
Councillor Mrs A Huckle
Councillor Mr L Meringolo

Ward Councillors

Councillor Mr R White
Councillor Mr T Suller

Apologies

Councillor Dr C Rowlands, Vice Chair

A local resident was also present at the meeting.

Agenda Item and Comments

05/14/01 – Minutes of the previous meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday April 2nd 2014 were proposed by Cllr. Walford and seconded by Cllr. G. Davies.

05/14/02 – Police Matters

Cllr. Walford informed the meeting that he had spotted a white pick up truck at Pen y Lan that he suspected was about to fly tip. On taking a photograph of the vehicle, the driver was abusive but then drove off.

05/14/03 – Matters Arising

Council Vacancy

There has been some interest in the current vacancy of a Community Councillor.

Action: All Community Councillors who have spoken to interested parties are to ask them to submit a letter of application to be reviewed at the next meeting.

04/14/04 – Planning

CONNEX/14/0337

PROPOSAL: INSTALLATION OF A GROUND MOUNTED PHOTOVOLTAIC (SOLAR ELECTRICITY) PLANT (18MW), INCLUDING THE ERECTION OF TRANSFORMERS AND OTHER ANCILLARY EQUIPMENT, TRACKS, DRAINAGE, FENCING, CCTV, LANDSCAPING AND ALL ASSOCIATED BUILDING AND ENGINEERING OPERATIONS, FOR USE FOR A PERIOD OF UP TO 25 YEARS AFFECTING PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY 400/61, 400/62 AND 400/63.

SITE: LAND NORTH OF AND ADJACENT TO M4, BEGAN ROAD, CARDIFF

The Community Councillors held a public meeting at the Village Hall on the 1st May along with two Planning Officers from Newport City Council to inform the local residents of the application.

Councillor. V. Davies has emailed the minutes of this meeting to all the Community Councillors, he is also going to circulate to those present at the meeting and display them on the village website. After informing Rosemary Butler, the Assembly member for Newport West, she has requested a copy of the minutes of the public meeting.

There has been an article in The Western Mail suggesting that local residents are in support of the application which is incorrect.

Action: Cllr. V. Davies to draft the Community Councils official objection to the application and to get in touch with The Western Mail.

05/14/05 – Roads, Hedges, Verges and Bridges

Cllr. Meringolo has now cut the hedge at the top of the junction to try and improve the visual splay. However, the Councillors agreed the junction is still unsafe.

05/14/06 – Correspondence

Code of conduct Training

An email was sent to the Clerk confirming the date for the Code of Conduct Training Session. The date is the 3rd June, 5.30pm at the Council Chambers.

Action: Councillors to confirm their attendance to the Clerk and put the dates in their diary.

Letter re Druidstone Cottage

Cllr. V. Davies received a letter from Mr and Mrs Williams from Druidstone Cottage regarding their planning application 14/0038. Newport City council Planning Department have granted planning permission on the condition that the work does not start until September due to nesting birds in the hedges. Mr and Mrs Williams feel this is unacceptable as the access to their property is dangerous and they have included photographs of skid marks on the road outside the house. They have asked for the Community council to intervene on their behalf.

Action: Cllr. V. Davies to speak to Newport Council and Cllr. White also agreed to look into the matter.

05/14/07 – Finance Matters

The following cheques were written:

Clerk's Wages

£55.00 payment for May, cheque no:000399.

05/14/08 – Meeting Reports

A public meeting was held at the Village Hall as detailed under **Planning**.

05/14/09 – Chairman's Business

Website

The Clerk has finished the poster of all the Councillors to be placed on the website and to go in all the notice boards.

Action: Clerk waiting for posters to be laminated.

Questionnaire

The work on the questionnaire is to be completed after the planning application for the Solar Farm has been resolved.

Tinkers Field

A local resident photographed the recording equipment that has been placed in Tinkers Field and presented it at the meeting. Cllr. G. Davies has spoken to the owner of the land who informed him that the equipment is to record the level of background noise. It is believed that this is preparation of a new planning application of a second wind turbine on the land.

Bridge Terrace

Cllr. Meringolo pointed out that the trees on Bridge Terrace and growing very large and need pruning back.

Action: Clerk to contact Newport City Homes.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 8.45pm. The next meeting is to be held on Wednesday, June 4th 2014 at the Village Hall, Michaelston-Y-Fedw.