

Michaelston-y-Fedw Community Council

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 4thg January 2023 at Michaelston Village Hall

Members Present:

Councillor Mr C. Walford
Councillor Mr C Rowlands
Councillor Mr N. Hallett
Newport City Councillor R. Howells

Councillor Mr D. Schofield
Councillor Mr L. Meringolo
Councillor Mrs L. Cohen

Apologies for absence

Councillor Mr G. Davies

01/23/01 – Minutes of the previous meeting

- The minutes of the December meeting were proposed as correct by Councillor Meringolo and seconded by Councillor Schofield.

01/23/02 – Matters arising

- The Metro Bank account is now open. Funds and payments will be transferred from the old account which will be closed when we are confident that all transfers have been made.
- By unanimous agreement, Mrs Kirsty Best will take over as community council clerk. Handover from the retiring clerk will be completed by the end of the financial year.

01/23/03 – Police matters

- Two Community Support Officers attended the meeting. No incidents have been reported in Michaelston-y-Fedw in the last month. Councillors expressed concern that the village roads have the 60mph national speed limit and asked whether the Police can bring any pressure to bear to change this.

01/23/04 – Planning

- City Councillor Howells asked for the community council's views on the recent application for a railway bridge at Cefn Mably Farm Park. Councillors try to be supportive to applicants and residents wherever possible and did suggest measures to reduce intrusion. Councillors are unhappy that Farm Park planning applications are always retrospective, but that doesn't seem to matter to Newport Planning department.

01/23/05 – Roads, Hedges & Rights of Way

- Some, though not all, local roads were gritted after a complaint was made about ice by the water trough. This seems to have been a one-off as the local roads are still not in the gritting schedule despite ongoing pressure from the community council.
- The surface of Began Road near Fairwater Farm is in a terrible condition, and it will not be remedied by further patching. Previously Newport Highways have said that the road needs full resurfacing. City Councillor Howells will take this up with Newport Highways.

01/23/06 – Correspondence

- Nothing to report.

01/23/07 – Finance

- Simasy has invoiced £297 for web hosting and domain name retention. Payment was approved.

01/23/08 – Other

- Because of the difficulty in obtaining ambulance services, a local first aid group has been set up and a comprehensive first aid kit is with the defibrillator in the phone box. A WhatsApp group has been set up to enable people to request help.

01/23/09 The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 1st February 2023