# Michaelston-y-Fedw Community Council

#### Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 3rd May 2023 at Michaelston Village Hall

Members Present:

Councillor Mr C Walford Councillor Mr G Davies Councillor Mr D Schofield Councillor Mrs L Cohen

## Apologies for absence

Councillor N Hallett Councillor C Rowlands Councillor Mr L Meringolo

## 2023-2024 Annual Meeting

- Election of Chair Councillor Hallett was unanimously re-elected
- Election of Vice Chair Councillor Walford was unanimously re-elected
- **Planning Sub-Committee**: It was agreed that any three councillors can form a quorum for decisions on planning applications.
- Internal Auditor: It was agreed that Small Office Solutions should be re-appointed as internal auditors.
- **Confirmation of the 2023-24 budget** The meeting formally agreed the 2023-24 budget.
- To set the council's priorities for 2023-24 (required by the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021)
  - To deliver services within the agreed budget
  - To keep the electorate informed about council activities and decisions
  - To help the church, the village hall and the wider community to promote the health and well-being of the community

## May 2023 Monthly meeting

#### 05/23/01 - Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the April meeting were proposed as correct by Councillor Schofield and seconded by Councillor Davies.

#### 05/23/02 - Matters arising

- Potholes Still of concern as they are becoming much worse and the filling and repair of these isn't lasting and that the need for complete resurfacing needs to be a priority.
- 20mph A Sub Committee has been established and publicity is being put in motion with updates to follow.
- Ward Surgery A Ward Surgery was held on 21/04/2023 by NCC Councillors.
- Biodiversity Report The Biodiversity report that Councillor Hallett had drafted was agreed unanimously.

#### 05/23/03 - Police matters

- No Police attended the meeting this evening and no report had been received.
- Councillor Schofield gave information regarding a vehicle which had been abandoned just over the bridge in Michaelston-y-Fedw and that this had been picked up on CCTV. Councillor Schofield advised that he had reported this to 101 and that an officer was expected to attend, Councillor Schofield also advised that a breakdown of statistics relating to reported crimes in specific areas can be obtained from the 101 website.

## 05/23/04 - Planning

• No applications received.

- Acknowledgement of the ongoing situation regarding traffic to and from the Farm Park
  was still causing problems for the local residents being able to access their own
  homes.
- Planning complaint The Community Council have drafted a letter of complaint on behalf of the Community Council in relation to the handling of planning application 14/0460, the letter was agreed unanimously and will be submitted to the Complaints Department at NCC.

#### 05/23/05 Roads & Rights of Way

• Potholes - addressed under matters arising.

#### 05/23/06 – Correspondence

• A request for the completion of a survey on Local Places for a Nature Officer was discussed and it was agreed that Councillor Hallett would be the most appropriate to complete this on the Councils behalf.

#### 05/23/07 - Finance

- The first precept payment has been received from Newport Council.
- There has been a delay with the addition of the signature to the new Community Council Clerk but this has been addressed and should be rectified in the near future.

## 05/23/08 - Meeting Reports

• Nothing to report.

## 05/23/09 – Chairmans Business

- Councillor Schofield confirmed that the planting of the tubs had been completed and that receipts for the plants and compost have been submitted.
- Councillor Schofield advised that the Community Council webpage needs to be updated to reflect the new PSO's Michelle Pearson's contact details which were passed to the Clerk to complete.

## 05/23/10 - Date of next meeting

• Wednesday 7<sup>TH</sup> June