Michaelston-y-Fedw Community Council

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 6th November 2024 at Michaelston Village Hall

Members Present:

Councillor C. Rowlands Councillor G. Davies Councillor L. Cohen Councillor L. Meringolo City Councillor R. Howells Councillor D. Schofield Councillor C. Walford Councillor S. Cohen Councillor N. Hallett

Apologies For Absence

None

11/24/01 Declarations of Interest

Councillors Davies, Schofield and Meringolo declared interests in the planning application for the crematorium.

11/24/02 Minutes of previous meeting

Approval of the minutes was proposed by Councillor Davies and seconded by Councillor Rowlands.

11/24/03 Matters Arising

Speed limits – No further information has been received.

11/24/04 Planning

Councillors Davies, Schofield and Meringolo left the room while the crematorium application was discussed. Nothing further has been heard regarding the crematorium or the wind turbine. City Councillor Howells will ask Newport Planning for an update.

11/24/05 Police Matters

Nothing to report.

11/24/06 Roads, Hedges and Verges

Some potholes on Began Road have been filled, but others have been left. Newport Council's budget constraints mean that potholes must meet certain criteria before they will be repaired, even if that means not filling smaller potholes adjacent to those being filled. Some previous promises made by Newport Council regarding road repairs have still not been fulfilled. City Councillor Howells will invite a representative from Newport Highways to a site visit.

11/24/07 – Correspondence

- One Voice Wales are conducting a survey into councils' use of digital technology; the Clerk will respond to this.
- Go Compare have requested that councils link to their web page giving advice on preventing flood damage. A link will be added to the community web page with a disclaimer that no endorsement of Go Compare is implied.
- Newport Council reported that the overflowing water trough is working. However, the
 outlet pipe has been blocked by a new shed so the trough will still overflow during
 heavy rain details will be passed to Newport Council.
- There will be national celebrations on the 8th May 2025 to mark the 80th anniversary of VE Day. A community event may be arranged.
- A new version of the Model Code of Conduct has been issued. This will be reviewed prior to adoption.

11/24/08 - Finance

 The council agreed to purchase a marquee for community events at a provisional cost of £1,944 including VAT.

- New Model Financial Regulations have been published. Councillors Rowlands and Hallett will review these with the Clerk and report back.
- The Independent Review Panel for Wales has determined that the mandatory allowances for councillors will be unchanged for 2025-26. [Michaelston-y-Fedw Community Councillors all declined their allowances for 2024-25].
- Councillors agreed to purchase a new village hall post-box to replace the current broken one.

11/24/09 - Meeting Reports

Councillors Hallett and Schofield attended a meeting with Newport Council to discuss fly-tipping. There is discontent that NCC are quick to issue fixed-penalty notices to people leaving rubbish bags beside full bins, but they are very reluctant to prosecute roadside fly-tippers even when CCTV evidence is provided.

11/24/10 - Date of next meeting

Wednesday 4th December 2024.