Michaelston-y-Fedw Community Council

Minutes of meeting held at Michaelston-y-Fedw Village Hall on Wednesday 1st September 2021

Members Present:

Councillor Mr N Hallett Councillor Mr C Walford Councillor Mr. G Davies Councillor Mr. D. Schofield Councillor Mr. L. Meringolo Councillor Mr G Morgan

Apologies for Absence: none

09/21/01 - Minutes of the previous meeting

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

09/21/02 - Matters arising

- The Clerk will obtain prices for a replacement defibrillator and liaise with Myfi regarding funding.
- Michaelston Bridge parapet has still not been repaired. The Clerk will again write to Caerphilly Council requesting progress. There is also a water leak on the bridge which will require a road closure for repair this should be scheduled to coincide with the parapet repair.

09/21/03 – Police matters

• A monthly report from the Police was circulated at the meeting. Off-road motor bikes are an ongoing problem.

09/21/04 - Planning

• It was noted that application 20/1215 for the replacement building at Cefn Mably Farm Park was approved by Newport Council Planning Committee, despite a strong objection from the Highways Authority.

09/21/05 Roads & Rights of Way

• There is a pronounced dip in the road surface on the Caerphilly side of Michaelston Bridge. The Clerk will write to Draethen Community Council asking them to raise the matter with Caerphilly Council.

09/21/06 - Correspondence

- Updated guidance on the Code of Conduct for councillors has been circulated.
- Pending legislation will make it compulsory to offer remote access to council meetings. The best means of doing this will be investigated. The council's existing laptop is over 5 years old, is very slow and will not work with Zoom. Options for a replacement will be investigated.
- Guidance has been received on arranging celebrations for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in 2022. The community council will liaise with the church and the village hall committee regarding a possible joint event.
- The Gwent Police & Crimes Commissioner is carrying out a survey asking for people's views on priorities. The web address has been circulated and will be linked from the community council web page.
- One Voice Wales and Keep Wales Tidy are running a webinar on Wednesday 15th September. Details will be obtained and circulated.

09/21/07 - Finance

• The council's insurance premium is now due for payment. The premium is the same as last year. The Clerk was authorised to pay the premium.

09/21/08 – Meeting Reports

• A meeting was held with local people interested in becoming Community First Responders. CFRs have to be trained by the Welsh Ambulance Service, but no training courses are currently being run. There will probably be a local initiative to train people to FREC Level 3 (Certificate in First Response Emergency Care) which is the same level as the Welsh Ambulance qualification. This will be funded by Myfi and the village hall will be made available free of charge.

09/21/09 – Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held in the village hall on Wednesday 6th October 2021.