

Michaelston-y-Fedw Community Council

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 6th September 2023 at Michaelston Village Hall

Members Present:

Councillor N Hallett
Councillor Mr C Walford
Councillor Mr G Davies

Councillor C Rowlands
Councillor Mrs L Cohen
Councillor Mr L Meringolo
Newport City Councillor Allan Screen

Apologies for absence

Councillor Mr D Schofield

September 2023 Monthly meeting

09/23/01 – Minutes of the previous meeting

- The minutes of the May meeting were proposed as correct by Councillor Rowlands and seconded by Councillor Davies.

09/23/02 – Matters arising

- Councillor Rowlands gave Councillor Screen the information containing the incident numbers for the reports to NCC regarding the potholes, Councillor Screen acknowledged these and will follow these up.
- Councillor Rowlands advised the meeting that he had reported 5 lots of fly tipping which had been then cleared up within a few days.

09/23/03 – Police matters

- No Police attended the meeting this evening however the Police report had been received and circulated prior to the meeting this evening. The full breakdown of these reports can be found at <https://www.police.uk/your-area/gwent-police/marshfield/>
- There were 2 reports identified within the report relating to the area which included a burglary and a report of antisocial behaviour.
- Councillor Hallett advised that both he and Councillor Screen had attended a meeting with Inspector Priest and that the matters raised were relating to other wards and not Michaelston-y-Fedw and that there is another meeting scheduled for in 3 months' time as they will be quarterly.

09/23/04 – Planning

- Application number 23/0722 has been received by NCC for Whitegates Farm to appeal the decision for the retention of the pod/chalet for use as self-catering tourist accommodation. It was agreed unanimously that there were no objections to this application.

09.23.05 – Roads, Hedges and Verges

- There were no new issues reported, however it was agreed by all that there had been no improvements to the condition of the roads.
- A request was made for the Clerk to contact both Newport City Council and Caerphilly Borough Council to understand the process for reporting and removing Himalayan Balsam, Japanese Knotweed and Buddleia.

09/23/06 – Correspondence

- Clerk advised that the renewal for the Community Council's insurance had been received, it was agreed by all that this is to be renewed. Action for Clerk to carry out the renewal.

- Letter received from Mr Lawrence Russell outlining the requests which have been made regarding the Audit. It was agreed unanimously that the Community Council support Mr Russell in that this request is unrelated to the matters arising within the Community Council. Action for Clerk to respond to Mr Russell's email advising of this.

09/23/07 – Finance

- No matters to report.

09/23/08 – Chairmans Business

- Councillor Hallett advised that there will be an online meeting to discuss the introduction new 20mph speed limit and an update will be set once a date has been set.
- Councillor Screen advised that once the rollout has taken place the Community Council can make a case enclosing evidence of the impact at is has been previously agreed that the village of Michaelston-y-Fedw meets the criteria set out to meet the requirements for 20mph, being a church, public house, and a village hall. It was agreed that this will be raised at the October meeting.
- Councillor Hallett advised that he will be drafting the new local newsletter, if anyone would like include any information in this please contact Councillor Hallett within the next 2 weeks (22.09.2023).
- Councillor Screen advised that there will be a Ward Surgery held at the Michaelston-y-Fedw Village Hall on Friday 8th September at 18:30.

09/23/09 – Date of next meeting

- Wednesday 4th October 2023.