

Michaelston-y-Fedw Community Council

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 4th November 2020

This meeting was held on-line, as authorised by the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Wales) (Meetings) Regulations 2020

Members Present:

Councillor Mr. N. Hallett
Councillor Mr G. Davies
Councillor Mr C Walford

Councillor Mr. D. Schofield
Councillor Mr G. Morgan
City Councillor Mr R. White

Apologies for Absence: Councillor Mr. L. Meringolo

11/20/01 – Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the October meeting were proposed as correct by Councillor Davies and seconded by Councillor Walford.

11/20/02 – Matters arising

Fly-tipping: This remains a problem and the installation of more cameras is planned by Myfi. Councillors agreed to postpone the on-line meeting with Newport Environmental Health Department and NRW until further notice.

11/20/03 – Police matters - Nothing to report.

11/20/04 – Planning

- Cefn Mably Farm Park redevelopment: A formal pre-application consultation has now been received. Some people have commented about the amount of concrete being installed on a flood plain, but Newport Planning will take the opinion of a hydrologist about this. The community council will not object to the development.
- Application 20/0947 Extension to Bridge House, Pentrepoeth Road. As the owner of the adjacent property, Councillor Davies declared an interest in this matter but raised no objection. Councillors considered that the proposed works will enhance the property and will raise no objection.
- Bassaleg School redevelopment – A pre-application consultation has been received. This is a courtesy consultation as the school is outside the community council's area. City Councillor White explained that the development is needed to accommodate the increased catchment of the school. Details will be circulated to councillors.
- Application 20/1001 – Variation of terms to expend the time limit for construction of an extension at Cefn Eglwys. The time limit has already been extended several times but the community council has no objection.

11/20/05 Roads & Rights of Way

- Cefn Llwyd Bridge: Stones were dislodged from the bridge parapet some months ago. A representative of Caerphilly Council telephoned to say that they are meeting with contractors to arrange repair.
- Some of the potholes on Began Road have now been repaired by Newport Council.

11/20/06 – Correspondence - None

11/20/07 – Finance

- Despite objections from community councils, including Michaelston-y-Fedw, Wales Audit Office will now implement a scheme whereby detailed transactions will be examined once every 3 years and councils will be expected to pay for the extra work involved.

11/20/08 – Meeting reports - None.

11/20/09 – Chairman's Business

Councillors expressed thanks to Myfi and volunteers for their work in restoring and installing a phone box outside the village hall.

11/20/10 – Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held at the village hall on Wednesday 2nd December 2020.

Supplementary Planning Meeting held on Monday 23rd November 2020

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Members Present:

Councillor Mr. N. Hallett

Councillor Mr. D. Schofield

Councillor Mr G. Davies

Councillor Mr C Walford

Councillor Mr. L. Meringolo

This meeting was called to discuss planning application 20/1045 because a response to Newport Planning was required before the next full community council meeting

The application is for a new semi detached dwelling adjoining No 1 Bridge Terrace, Michaelston-y-Fedw. The application replaces number 20/0611 which has been withdrawn.

Concern was expressed at the proximity to a blind bend, making egress from the site potentially dangerous, though the access is already in use for the existing dwelling. There was concern that the turning space may not be useable if some of the parking spaces are occupied.

The application cites the granting of permission for a barn conversion at Ty Hir Farm as a precedent for erecting a new dwelling in an unsustainable area. Councillors do not agree that this is a valid comparison.

The Clerk will write to Newport Planning with these observations.