

ST BRIDES MINOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF ST BRIDES MINOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 11TH NOVEMBER 2019 AT SARN LIFE LONG LEARNING CENTRE

PRESENT:

Councillors: F Watkins (Chair)
N Evans
P Ford
P Harris
D Lewis
J Lewis
M Nott
Y Nott
G Thomas
M Williams (left at 7.10 pm)

Apologies: Councillors E Jones,

Clerk: Ann Harris

Public: No public in attendance

The Chair welcomed Councillor Paula Ford to the meeting.

Minute No:

82/19-20 ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Name	Minute Number	Declaration	Speak/Vote
David Lewis	All relevant 84/19-20	BCBC - incl. Development Control & Planning Coity Wallia Board of Conservators - Member	No/No No/No
Janice Lewis	All relevant	BCBC - incl. Development Control & Planning	No/No
G Thomas	All relevant 84/19-20	BCBC - incl. Development Control & Planning Coity Wallia Board of Conservators - Chair	No/No
D Lewis J Lewis Y Nott F Watkins	90/19-20	Sarn Centre - Committee Members	Yes/No No/No Yes/No No/No

Note: The Chair left the meeting at 6.08 pm to take a phone call and the Vice-Chair acted on her behalf.

83/19-20 ITEM 3 TO READ, CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 2019 ORDINARY MEETING MINUTES

Resolved: The council agreed to accept the minutes of the Meetings held on 14th October 2019 as a true and accurate record and the Chair signed the minutes.

Note: The Chair returned to the meeting at 6.10 pm.

84/19-20 ITEM 4 TO CONSIDER MATTERS ARISING FROM THE OCTOBER 2019 MINUTES

Minute 66/19-20 Correspondence from Coity Wallia Conservators:

Members were informed that the first Task Group meeting would be held on Friday 15th November at 7.00 pm and would be attended by Councillor M Nott and the Clerk.

Minute 69/19-20 Final Recommendations of the Review of County Electoral Arrangements:

The Clerk had written to BCBC as requested and the response was included in the Members papers. A Community Governance review will take place and will look at the whole County Borough Community Governance Arrangements and will consult on proposed amendments. Any recommended changes will be in place for the 2022 Local Government elections.

Minute 70/19-20 Activity Scheme:

Members were disappointed that this had not gone ahead as planned for the half term holidays.

Resolved: The information was noted. The Clerk was asked to include funding in the draft precept for a scheme in 2020 and to bring to the organiser's attention the cost of photocopying the posters which weren't collected.

85/19-20 ITEM 5 TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM PACT MEETINGS

The crime figures for August and September 2019 were included in the papers distributed to Members. 13 people had attended the last Sarn/Bryncoch meeting. Complaints included nappy littering, fly tipping, the gate to the communal field being left ajar, pot holes and a street light not working.

Resolved: The information from the Sarn/Bryncoch PACT Meeting was noted. The Bryncethin PACT meetings would restart in the New Year.

86/19-20 ITEM 6 TO ADJOURN IF NECESSARY, FOR PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There were no public in attendance.

87/19-20 ITEM 7 VACANCIES SARN AND BRYNCOCH WARDS

Councillors Phillips and Wilcox had resigned this month and notice of vacancies had been advertised.

Resolved: It was noted that the vacancy for the Bryncoch ward call for election closed today and that the Sarn ward vacancy closes on Wednesday 13th November.

88/19-20 ITEM 8 ADDITIONAL BIN STRADLING CLOSE

Resolved: It was noted that Councillor J Lewis would contact Street Cleaning at BCBC regarding this matter.

89/19-20 **ITEM 9 SARN CENTRE COMMITTEE**

Councillor D Lewis raised this item as he feels that the community needs to be more aware of the good work the Committee does. Councillor Y Nott, Chair of the Committee, said that a Sarn Centre website had been considered but highlighted some possible issues.

Resolved: The information was noted. It was acknowledged that the Committee do an excellent job and that the Halloween party had been a success again this year.

90/19-20 **ITEM 10 MAYOR'S CITIZENSHIP AWARDS**

The criteria for these awards had been sent out to Members. The deadline for submissions is 24th January 2020.

Resolved: It was agreed to submit 3 nominations and the Clerk would work with Members to complete the nominations.

Note: Councillor P Harris left the room and did not take part in the discussion on Penybont Gymnastics Club.

91/19-20 **ITEM 11 FINANCIAL REQUESTS**

1 request had been deferred from October from the Memorial Hall, Bryncethin for funds towards roof and boiler repairs.

1 request had been received from Friends of Penybont Gymnastics Club towards sending children to Florida to a competition, 3 children taking part were from Sarn, Bryncoch or Bryncethin.

Resolved: The above requests were discussed in detail. A donation of £500 to the Memorial Hall was proposed and seconded and a vote taken. It was unanimously agreed to donate £500. A donation of £100 to Penybont Gymnastics was proposed and seconded and a vote taken. 7 agreed, 2 did not agree and 1 Member did not take part as they were out of the room. The Clerk was asked to confirm the 3 children are residents of the area before sending the donation.

Note: Councillor P Harris returned to the meeting.

92/19-20 **ITEM 12 FINANCE & ACCOUNTS**

1.The Clerk requested authority to make the payments listed for October 2019 totaling £16,146.93

2.It was noted that the balance carried forward to November 2019 was £63,876.46

Resolved: The information was noted. Authority was given to make the payments listed totalling £16,146.93.

93/19-20 ITEM 13 CHAIR'S REPORT INCLUDING ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ENGAGEMENTS

The Chair, Councillor Felicity Watkins, reported the following:

- Remembrance Services - the Chair had attended two services, 1 in Aberkenfig and 1 in Bryncethin.
- Tondu Art Society - the Chair confirmed that she would be attending a preview exhibition later in the week.
- Community Council Halloween Party - the Chair said the event had been well attended and had been a success. The decorations and entertainment had been superb. It was noted that there had been a wide age range in the children attending.
- Christmas Events - the Chair asked if all arrangements were in place for the two Community Council events and a discussion took place regarding food at the Bryncethin event, the supply of selection boxes and Father Christmas' attendance.

Note: Councillor M Williams left the meeting at 7.10 pm.

94/19-20 ITEM 14 CLERK'S REPORT

Chair's Roll

It was noted that this had been updated.

Bus Shelter

The Clerk asked for confirmation on what two bus shelters to include in the T&CC Fund application.

VE Day 2020

The Clerk suggested asking the gardener to provide a quote for VE Day displays for the flowerbeds in 2020.

Royal Protocols

The Clerk confirmed that these were now set up on the website.

Clerks Borough Council Meeting

The Clerk updated Members on the items including on the agenda and asked for suggested items for the next Town and Community Council Forum agenda.

Resolved: The information was noted and the Clerk was asked to obtain quotes for VE Day flower bed displays, 1 in each ward. Members confirmed that the two shelters to be included in the application were 1 on the Cymdda and 1 on Heol Canola. There were no suggested items for the T&CC Forum agenda.

95/19-20 ITEM 15 CORRESPONDENCE

A list of correspondence received and a copy of the correspondence was tabled at the meeting and the Clerk drew Members' attention to VE Day 2020, the invitation to the Newcastle Higher CC Remembrance Service, Aberkenfig Boys and Girls Club newsletter, a resident's email regarding a council merger, an invitation to the Chair to attend a preview evening of the Tondu Art Society, a letter from Bridgend Athletic RFC, two councilor resignations and a few consultations or questionnaires.

Resolved: The correspondence was noted. VE Day 2020 would be included on the January agenda, the invitations were noted and the Chair had accepted both invitations. The Clerk was asked to acknowledge the Aberkenfig Boys and Girls Club letter and send them a Financial Request form for consideration in March 2020 and to acknowledge the resident's suggestion.

96/19-20 ITEM 16 PLANNING MATTERS

1.Applications and Decisions

All applications and decision were noted.

The Planning Aid Wales updates were noted.

Resolved: The information was noted and no objections were made.

97/19-20 ITEM 17 URGENT ITEMS FOR THE DECEMBER 2019 PRECEPT MEETING

- Statement - Environment Wales Act

Resolved: It was agreed to keep the agenda open for urgent items that may be added during the month.

98/19-20 ITEM 18 DATE & VENUE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the St Brides Minor Community Council will take place on Monday 9th December 2019 at Sarn Life Long Learning Centre at 6.00 pm

The meeting closed at 7.32 pm

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Chair of Council

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9th December 2019