ST BRIDES MINOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL



# MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF ST BRIDES MINOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020 VIA TELE-CONFERENCING

# **PRESENT:**

Councillors:	D Lewis (Chair)	
	P Davies (from 6.23 pm) E Jones J Lewis M Nott Y Nott Y Walton-Davies M Williams	
Apologies:	Councillors P Ford, P Harris and F Watkins	
No Apologies:	Councillors N Evans and G Thomas	
Clerk:	Ann Harris	
Public:	No public in attendance	

Minute 24/20/21 - Apologies as above.

#### Minute No:

#### 25/20-21 ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Name	Minute Number	Declaration	Speak/Vote
Paul Davies	28/20-21	Lead on On-line Petition re Traffic in SBM	Yes/No
Yvonne Walton-Davies	32/20-21	Planning Application P/20/459/FUL	No/NO
David Lewis	All relevant	BCBC - incl. Development Control & Planning	No/No
Janice Lewis	All relevant	BCBC - incl. Development Control & Planning	No/No
M Nott	27/20-21	Community Gardens Tenant	No/No
Y Nott	27/20-21	Sarn Centre Committee Member	No/No
M Williams	29/20-21	Coity Higher Community Council	No/No

#### 26/20-21 ITEM 3 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 2020 ORDINARY MEETING

<u>Resolved</u>: The council agreed to accept the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2020 as a true and accurate record and the Chair signed the minutes.

#### 27/20-21 ITEM 4 TO CONSIDER MATTERS ARISING FROM THE JULY 2020 MINUTES

#### Minute 15/20-21 Matters Arising from the June 2020 Minutes

#### Ref. Minute 5/20-21 Winter Events:

The Clerk had been notified that Sarn Centre will not be available for Halloween or Christmas events due to the COVID restrictions.

Councillor G Thomas had confirmed to the Clerk that all Christmas decoration/tree arrangements had been made with Centre Great.

#### Ref. Minute 7/20-21 Item 7 Clerk's Report:

The Clerk had received confirmation from BCBC that the refurbishments to 3 bush shelters would take place within the next two weeks.

# Minute 18/20-21 Item 76 Community Gardens

Comfrey Invasion - Councillor D Lewis as yet had been unable to obtain any advice/information BCBC.

Waiver of Rent - the Clerk had advised the Chair of Community Gardens that planning permission would be needed for a noticeboard at the Gardens as it is classed as an advert. The Clerk had offered to apply on behalf of the Gardens as this would reduce the cost, but had not had further contact from them.

#### Minute 21/20-21 Item 10 Correspondence

The Clerk had spoken to Cenin Renewables and Councillor G Thomas about this matter and had received confirmation from Councillor Thomas that the land in question is not part of the Bryncethin Ward.

<u>Resolved</u>: The information and action of the Clerk was noted. Councillor J Lewis was asked to cancel the provisional entertainment bookings for Halloween and Christmas.

# 28/20-21 ITEM 5 RECEIVE THE CRIME FIGURES FOR MARCH TO MAY 2020

The Clerk had prepared the graphs and narrative from the Police UK website. It was noted that some of the information is incorrect ie some road reference numbers, street names and the accuracy of the figures was discussed. Some of the crimes committed seemed impossible given the lockdown restrictions at some of the locations.

### <u>Resolved:</u> It was agreed to invite the PCSO to attend the next meeting to discuss the accuracy.

### 29/20-21 ITEM 6 TRAFFIC ST BRIDES MINOR

A draft document had been sent out in advance of the meeting for members to feed back their comments. A final draft had been circulated for the meeting. The item was discussed and included practical solutions for the short term, a long-term plan, FOI, average numbers of daily traffic, who to send the document to in the first instance, speed camera replacement.

<u>Resolved:</u> Following a discussion it was agreed that the Clerk would write a covering letter and submit the paper to the local AM and MP asking them to read it with a view to holding a future meeting with members, the AM, MP and Ken Skates to discuss further.

# 30/20-21 ITEM 7 FINANCE & ACCOUNTS

### 1.Payments July and August 2020

Authorization was requested for July payments totaling £2,111.70 and August payments totaling £1,015.96. The balance carried forward to September 2020 was £101,245.11.

2.Income

No income had been received this month.

#### 3.Salary Scale Increase 2020/21

The national salary award for Clerk's to be implemented from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020 had been received. The Clerk's salary in line with the terms of her contract of employment is to increase by £0.31p per hour.

<u>Resolved:</u> The payments for authorization for July and August were accepted. The Clerk's salary would increase inline with the national salary award and be implemented from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020.

#### 31/20-21 ITEM 8 CHAIR'S REPORT

The outgoing Chair was not present at the meeting to give a report.

### 32/20-21 ITEM 9 CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk had included her report in the meeting papers and the items were discussed, they included repairs to the fencing and gate at Heol Canola and the request to meet from Tondu Rugby Club as well as a financial contribution towards the cost of a fence, vandalism damage, car park improvements including lighting.

<u>Resolved</u>: The information and actions of the Clerk were noted. The Clerk and Councillor D Lewis would attend a meeting. The Clerk would request costs for the work before full council could consider the request.

### 33/20-21 ITEM 10 CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence had been forwarded by email to Members. The Clerk highlighted the temporary road closure at Heol Bryncwils and the request for bullet points to be submitted to BCBC's budget consultation team.

<u>Resolved:</u> The items of correspondence were noted. The Clerk was asked to provide the bullet points to the budget consultation team.

# 34/20-21 ITEM 11 PLANNING MATTERS

Application requests to BCBC had been circulated for information as had 3 decisions.

<u>Resolved:</u> It was agreed that the Clerk would register an objection for planning application numbers P/20/552/RLX and P/20/553/FUL using the comments submitted to the Clerk from members prior to the meeting.

### 35/20-21 ITEM 12 ITEMS FOR THE OCTOBER 2020 ORDINARY MEETING

The agenda would be kept open for any other items that may arise during the month.

The next meeting of the St Brides Minor Community Council will take place on Monday 12<sup>TH</sup> October 2020 at 6.00 pm via Zoom.

The meeting closed at 7.02 pm

Chair of Council

12<sup>th</sup> October 2020