

ST BRIDES MINOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF ST BRIDES MINOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 8th MARCH 2021 VIA ZOOM

PRESENT:

Councillors: D Lewis (Chair)
P Davies
E Jones
J Lewis
M Nott
Y Nott
Y Walton-Davies (from 6.12 pm)
M Williams

Apologies: Councillors N Evans, P Ford &
G Thomas

Clerk: Ann Harris

Public: No public in attendance

Minute 103/20/21 - Apologies as above.

The Chair reminded Members of the following Standing Order: 3l - photographing, recording, broadcasting or transmitting the proceedings of a meeting by any means is not permitted without the Council's prior written consent.

104/20-21 ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Name	Minute Number	Declaration	Speak/Vote
Elaine Jones	112/20-21	Financial Request CISS	No/No
David Lewis	All relevant	BCBC - incl. Development Control & Planning Sarn Centre Committee Member	No/No
Janice Lewis	All relevant	BCBC - incl. Development Control & Planning Sarn Centre Committee Member	No/No
Martin Williams	113/20-21	Vice-Chair Coity Higher Community Council	No/No

105/20-21 ITEM 3 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 2021 ORDINARY MEETING

Resolved: The council agreed to accept the minutes of the February 2021 Ordinary Meeting held on 8th February 2021 as a true and accurate record and the Chair signed the minutes.

106/20-21 ITEM 4 TO RECEIVE A LOVE IT, DON'T TRASH IT PRESENTATION BY JOHN REES, BCBC

The Chair welcomed Mr Rees to the meeting for the second time. The scheme was explained i.e., to educate primary school children about reducing litter in their communities and help the environment. The cost to the Community Council is £300 per school.

Questions about the scheme were asked and answered at the end of the presentation.

Resolved: It was agreed to take part in the scheme at a cost of £300. The scheme is likely to be scheduled for early 2022.

107/20-21 ITEM 5 TO DISCUSS LITTER PROBLEMS

A discussion document on littering had been distributed with the papers. Many questions were raised with John Rees and answered including take away containers, dog fouling, bin provision and mapping, the correct removal procedure if cannabis is found dumped, additional bins near McArthur Glen, litter on Sarn by-pass etc.

Resolved: It was agreed that the Clerk would write to KFC, Greggs, McDonalds to request a solution to this on-going problem. Councillor D Lewis would speak to BCBC to ask them to encourage the worst offenders to clean up the county.

108/20-21 ITEM 6 TO CONSIDER MATTERS ARISING FROM THE FEBRUARY 2021 MINUTES

Minute 94/20-21 Council Vacancies:

Councillor P Davies raised his concerns about the wording on the Notice of Vacancy.

Resolved: It was noted that the wording on the Notice of Vacancy was issued by BCBC and is the standard wording.

109/20-21 ITEM 7 TO RECEIVE THE CRIME FIGURES FOR JANUARY 2021

The Clerk had prepared the graphs and narrative from the Police UK website and these were discussed.

Resolved: These were noted.

110/20-21 ITEM 8 UPDATE ON MOTORBIKE ISSUES

Councillor P Davies had spoken to PCSO Emery who had reassured him of the work being carried out to deal with the problems. Councillor D Lewis had spoken to the South Wales Police and Crime Commissioner about the issues which is a widespread problem and the emphasis is on catching offenders. Councillor D Lewis had met with 3 BCBC officers to discuss the removal of barriers and gave an update. The date of the consultation had been extended. Concerns for the safety of pedestrians were raised as it will be easier for motorbikes to gain access.

Resolved: The information was noted.

111/20-21 ITEM 9 MEMORIAL UPDATE

The Clerk had circulated information for consideration including the type of plaque and plinth, the bilingual inscription, costs etc. as well as information on a Lest We Forget bench.

Resolved: The bilingual inscription was approved; it was agreed that the plinth would be concrete and the plaque black granite with gold lettering. That the plaque would be set at an angle. It was also agreed to seek permission to install one Lest We Forget memorial bench in the first instance and consider a second bench if it was felt there was sufficient room.

112/20-21 ITEM 10 TO CONSIDER FINANCIAL REQUESTS DEFERRED SINCE MARCH 2020

Financial requests from the following were considered: Cerebral Palsy Cymru, Cancer Information and Support Services, Wales Air Ambulance, Porthcawl COVID 19 Strategy Group, Glamorgan YFC, Hope Rescue, Bridgend County Swim Squad, Bridgend Carers Centre.

Resolved: It was unanimously agreed to donate to the following: Hope Rescue £50, Bridgend Carers Centre £100, Bridgend Swim Squad £100. Councillor E Jones did not vote on the request to donate to CISS.

113/20-21 ITEM 11 FINANCE & ACCOUNTS

1. Payments February 2021

Authorisation was requested for the February 2021 payments totaling £1,638.77. The balance carried forward to March 2021 was £72,997.61

2. Income

No income had been received this month.

Resolved: The payments for authorisation for February 2021 were accepted and authorized.

114/20-21 ITEM 12 CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair reported on the outcome of the planning application for the Wood Recycling Plant which had been approved. Councillor P Davies had attended the virtual tour on behalf of the Community Council and gave an update.

Resolved: The information was noted.

115/20-21 ITEM 13 CLERK'S REPORT

Cymdda Sign:

This has now been removed for repair and rewriting.

Bus Shelter Refurbishments:

The two additional shelters at the top of Eustace Drive and near the Masons in Bryncethin have been refurbished.

Fence/Gate/Bin Canola:

The fence and gate are being repaired in the next few days. A new bin has been installed.

Skip for Bryncethin Allotments:

This has now been provided.

Notice of Vacancies x 2 Bryncoch Ward:

These have now been published with a closing date of 19th March. The Clerk requested clarification on recovering part payment of the annual councillor allowance paid to one of the retired councillors in 2020/21.

Planter Sarn Centre:

This has now been replanted.

Cwمبرi Footpath/Clos Tyn y Coed Footpath:

The planned maintenance to resurface both these footpaths has not yet gone ahead and will be carried out by Rights of Way in the new financial year.

Issues this Month:

Fly tipping in the field off Canola including large household items. Referred to Cllr J Lewis.

Fly tipping at the top of Heol Spencer before the M4 overbridge - reported to BCBC and has been removed.

Resolved: The information and actions of the Clerk were noted. It was unanimously agreed that due to the unusual circumstances of the pandemic and limitations on meeting attendance due to lack of technology, that in this instance no financial recovery would be made. It was agreed to earmark the agreed contribution towards the footpath works in the next financial year. It was agreed that the bus shelters and the planter look good.

116/20-21 ITEM 14 CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence had been forwarded by email to Members. With the consent of the Chair an additional sheet had been added to include correspondence received since the meeting papers had been distributed.

The Clerk drew Members' attention to the following:

- Virtual site visit for P/20/553/FUL
- Active Travel Barriers correspondence
- Letter from Coity Wallia Conservators regarding future funding and issues with motorbikes on the common

Resolved: The items of correspondence were noted. It was also noted that the Conservators would hold another funding meeting with the 4 minor authorities before progress is made.

117/20-21 ITEM 15 PLANNING MATTERS

No applications had been circulated this month and there was 1 decision and 1 appeal and correspondence from Planning Aid Wales. With the consent of the Chair an additional sheet had been added to include one additional item received from Planning Aid Wales since the meeting papers had been distributed.

Resolved: No observations were made.

102/20-21 ITEM 16 ITEMS FOR THE APRIL 2021 ORDINARY MEETING

- Rights of Way

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 12th April 2021 at 6.00 pm via Zoom.

The meeting closed at 7.50 pm.

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Chair of Council

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12th April 2021