

# ST BRIDES MINOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL



## MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF ST BRIDES MINOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2018 AT SARN LIFE LONG LEARNING CENTRE

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### PRESENT

Councillors: F Watkins (Chair)

N Evans  
S Hyde  
E Jones  
D Lewis  
J Lewis  
M Nott  
Y Nott  
G Thomas  
K Wilcox  
M Williams

Apologies: Councillor J Phillips

No Apologies: Councillor P Harris

Clerk: Ann Harris

Public: 2 members of the public in attendance

Minute No:

**74/18-19    ITEM 2 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Name	Minute Number	Declaration	Speak/Vote
N Evans	82/18-19	Water company employee	Yes/No
M Nott	78/18-19	Member Tondu Rugby Club  Tenant Heol y Mynydd Allotment Gardens	Yes/No  No/No
Y Nott	76/18-19 & 78/18-19	Committee Member Sarn Centre	No/No
David Lewis	All relevant	BCBC - incl. Development Control & Planning	No/No
Janice Lewis	All relevant  76/18-19 & 78/18-19	BCBC - incl. Development Control & Planning  Committee Member Sarn Centre	No/No  No/No
G Thomas	All relevant	BCBC - incl. Development Control & Planning	Yes/No
F Watkins	76/18-19 & 78/18-19	Committee Member Sarn Centre	No/No
K Wilcox	76/18-19 & 78/18-19	Committee Member Sarn Centre	No/No
M Williams	82/18-19	Water company employee	No/No

**75/18-19    ITEM 3 TO READ, CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY OCTOBER 2018 MEETING MINUTES**

**Resolved:** To accept the minutes of the Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018 as a true and accurate record.

**76/18-19 ITEM 4 TO CONSIDER MATTERS ARISING FROM THE OCTOBER 2018 MINUTES**

**Minute 61/18-19 Inspector Mark Simmonds**

The Clerk had chased an update on some of the issues raised such as cars cutting through streets to avoid the new traffic lights and vehicle obstructions.

**Minute 63/18-19 Matters Arising on-going from the September Minutes**

Sarn Cemetery Key Holder: continuing to chase BCBC for an update

**Minute 65/18-19 Consider Community Defibrillator Locations**

Councillor Y Nott thanked Councillor D Lewis for agreeing to install a defibrillator at Sarn Centre, which the Chair endorsed. Councillor Lewis also updated Members on other projects funded from his Borough Council community pot.

**Resolved:** The information was noted. The Clerk was asked to forward the email regarding the Sarn Cemetery Key Holder to Councillor D Lewis who would assist in obtaining a response from BCBC.

**77/18-19 ITEM 5 TO ADJOURN IF NECESSARY TO RECEIVE PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

There were two Members of the Public in attendance.

**78/18-19 ITEM 6 TO CONSIDER DEFERRED FINANCIAL REQUESTS**

3 financial requests had been deferred to the November meeting from Sarn & Bryncoch PACT, Bryncethin Allotments and Welsh Talking Books and one new request was added from Tondu Rugby Football Club.

**Sarn & Bryncoch PACT** - request for a donation to cover the cost of room hire for meetings.

**Bryncethin Allotments** - request for a donation to purchase water containers as they have no means of getting a water supply

**Welsh Talking Books** - request for a donation to continue their work of recording Welsh and English books for visually impaired people to enjoy literature free of charge

**Tondu Rugby Football Club** - request for a donation of £500 for their mini and juniors team.

All requests were discussed and many suggestions made regarding sponsorship of kit, Dwr Cymru community grants etc. It was noted that Tondu Rugby Football Club was a limited company. Councillor Y Nott asked for additional time to speak with the Centre Committee Members to see if the Centre could provide a room for the PACT meetings at the Centre free of charge

**Resolved:** Councillor Y Nott would speak to the Centre Committee. The Clerk was asked to obtain clarity on the amount of money Bryncethin Allotments were requesting and to suggest

they speak to the Heol y Mynydd Allotment Committee and Dwr Cymru. The Clerk was also asked to investigate and clarify if a donation could be made to a limited company and to reply to Welsh Talking Books to reject their request.

**79/18-19 ITEM 7 TO RECEIVE AND DISCUSS PROJECT IDEAS FOR INCLUSION IN THE 2019/20 PRECEPT**

Councillor E Jones suggested applying for funding to clean and update the bus shelters and it was suggested that the work needed to the Memorial Hall car park entrance could be considered.

**Resolved:** It was agreed that the 3 Borough Councillors would make a request to BCBC regarding cleaning up the bus stops and the Clerk would also make the same request on behalf of the Community Council.

**80/18-19 ITEM 8 FINANCE & ACCOUNTS INCLUDING FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Clerk requested authorization to pay the £1,205.75 of invoices for October 2018 and this was agreed. The breakdown of the payments were included in the papers for the meeting.

**2. Balance carried forward to November 2018**

The total balance carried forward to November 2018 was **£68,482.45**. The budget monitoring sheets showing the total breakdown of the October expenditure was distributed to Members.

**3. Other Matters**

The Clerk informed Members that she had submitted the list of Councillor allowances paid in 2017/18 to the Independent Remuneration Panel and published them on the website.

**4. Finance Committee**

The Finance Committee had met prior to the meeting and Councillor D Lewis, Chair of Finance, made the following recommendations:

- To consider splitting the current gardening contract in two and award the grass cutting and footpath maintenance to one contractor and the floral displays to another.
- To consider the work to the entrance of the Memorial Hall car park for the Town and Community Council Fund

**Resolved:** The information given by the Clerk was accepted. The payments for October 2018 totalling £1,205.75 were approved and authorised. The recommendations made by the Finance Committee were noted and would be considered further at the Precept Meeting in December.

## **81/18-19     ITEM 9 CHAIR'S REPORT INCLUDING ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ENGAGEMENTS**

The Chair had attended Remembrance Services at Aberkenfig and Bryncethin and laid wreaths. Unfortunately she had not been able to attend the Tondu and District Art Society event or the Bridgend Town Council civic service, but had also attended the Community Council's Halloween Party which had been well attended and was a great success. The Chair had written a short article on the party for inclusion in the Gazette.

It was noted that Councillor D Lewis had attended an event at Penyfai Church and said the display had been excellent.

## **82/18-19     ITEM 10 CLERK'S REPORT**

### Crime Figures for August 2018

The Crime Figures had been distributed via email. It was noted that there was no representative from the Community Council at the October Sarn and Bryncoch PACT meeting. Councillor Watkins gave an update on the Bryncethin PACT meeting dates.

### Update on Memorial Hall Car Park Application

Two enquiries regarding the application had been received by the Planning Inspectorate, from CADW and the Open Spaces Society, but neither had objected. More maps had been requested to a specific scale which the Clerk had provided with the help of Julian Golunski and the next step is a site visit from the Inspectorate.

### Update on Request for Barrier Pen y Cae Lane

The Clerk gave feedback from BCBC on the possibility of a barrier and the likely costs.

### Christmas

The Clerk reminded Members that the decorations will switch on in Bryncethin on 29<sup>th</sup> November and Sarn/Bryncoch on 14<sup>th</sup> December. She asked for authority to purchase 250 selection boxes as in previous years.

### Joint Working Initiative

The Clerk for Porthcawl Town Council has invited all Clerks to a meeting regarding joint working.

### Training

Councillors Evans and Wilcox have recently attended Code of Conduct training

**Resolved:** The information given by the Clerk was noted and authority was given to purchase 250 selection boxes. The Clerk was asked to write to Dwr Cymru to see if they would consider installing CCTV on their building at Pen y Cae Lane.

**83/18-19    ITEM 11 CORRESPONDENCE**

A list of correspondence received and a copy of the correspondence was tabled at the meeting and the Clerk drew Members' attention to the consultations, surveys and events detailed. The Clerk in particular drew attention to the request from BAVO, the meetings re Cwm Taff Health Board and a letter from Bridgend Town Council regarding McArthur Glen asking if SBM would like to participate in future meetings they hold regarding promotions etc.

**Resolved:** The correspondence was noted. The Clerk was asked to invite BAVO to the January meeting and to respond to Bridgend Town Council agreeing to attend the meetings they refer to in their letter.

**84/18-19    ITEM 12 PLANNING MATTERS**

Councillor G Thomas left the meeting at 7.14 pm and returned at 7.16 pm

**1.Applications and Decisions**

A list of planning applications, decisions and appeals received in the month and a copy of the requests was tabled at the meeting.

**Resolved:** There were no objections to any of the planning requests.

**85/18-19    ITEM 13 ITEMS FOR THE DECEMBER PRECEPT 2019 MEETING**

There were no additional items for the December Meeting

**86/18-19    ITEM 14 DATE & VENUE FOR THE NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the St Brides Minor Community Council will be a Precept Meeting and will take place on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2018 at Sarn Life Long Learning Centre at 6.00 pm

The meeting closed at 7.23 pm

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Chair of Council

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10<sup>th</sup> December 2018