

ST BRIDES MINOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF ST BRIDES MINOR COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 8TH JULY 2019 AT SARN LIFE LONG LEARNING CENTRE

PRESENT:

Councillors: F Watkins (Chair)

N Evans
P Harris
D Lewis
J Lewis
M Nott
Y Nott
J Phillips
G Thomas
M Williams

Apologies: Councillors E Jones & K Wilcox

Clerk: Ann Harris

Public: No public in attendance

Minute No:

31/19-20 ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Name	Minute Number	Declaration	Speak/Vote
M Nott	39/19-20 (4)	Tenant Community Gardens	No/No
David Lewis	All relevant 39/19-20 (4)	BCBC - incl. Development Control & Planning Financial Request Heol y Mynydd Community Gardens	No/No
Janice Lewis	All relevant	BCBC - incl. Development Control & Planning	No/No
Gary Thomas	All relevant 39/19-20 (4)	BCBC - incl. Development Control & Planning Financial Request Heol y Mynydd Community Gardens	No/No No/No

32/19-20 ITEM 3 TO RECEIVE A PRESENTATION ON THE CHILDREN'S CLUB FROM MR MARK HOLMES

Mr Holmes was welcomed to the meeting. He explained why he couldn't set up the club prior to the summer holidays, explained the sessions available, the child to adult ratio, insurance, risk assessments and the land he proposed to use and the promotion of the activities were discussed.

Resolved: It was agreed that the Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon slots were preferable for the six weeks school holidays and that the green next to Sarn Centre and off the bypass near Rowan's Lane were preferable.

33/19-20 ITEM 4 TO READ, CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 2019 ORDINARY MEETING MINUTES

Resolved: The council agreed to accept the minutes of the Meetings held on 10th June 2019 as a true and accurate record and the Chair signed the minutes.

34/19-20 ITEM 5 TO CONSIDER MATTERS ARISING FROM THE JUNE 2019 MINUTES

Minute 17/19-20 Matters Arising from the May Minutes

No progress had been made to date in finding out ownership of the land in Bryncethin.

Minute 21/19-20 Winter Event Arrangements

The Clerk confirmed she'd booked the rooms at the Centre for the Christmas and Halloween events. Sarn Club committee are meeting tonight and the secretary will let the Clerk know if they are putting on a Christmas event. No progress had been made on enquiring whether the Bryncethin councillors could hold their event at the Community Centre.

Minute 22/19-20 Children's Club

No progress had been reported regarding approaching McArthur Glen for funding.

Resolved: The information was noted

35/19-20 ITEM 6 TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM PACT MEETINGS

The crime figures for April 2019 were included in the papers distributed to Members. Councillor D Lewis gave an update on the Sarn/Bryncoch meeting which had changed its meeting date to the last Monday of the month; attendance had been poor. He reported that the cost of the MUGA would be approximately £75,000. Continued complaints were being received about litter, Councillor Lewis said that if residents contact Streetscene they will come out the next day. He explained the directive to the bin men regarding dropped litter in line with the Kier contract.

Resolved: Councillor Lewis' report was noted. Councillor F Watkins said the next Bryncethin meeting would take place on Wednesday 17th July.

36/19-20 ITEM 7 TO ADJOURN IF NECESSARY FOR PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There were no public in attendance.

37/19-20 ITEM 8 COUNCILLOR CO-OPTION SARN WARD

There had been two applicants and all councilors had been provided with a copy of the applications in advance of the meeting. Both were worthy candidates and both had excellent qualities, although one had greater knowledge of the area than the other.

Resolved: A vote was taken and Paula Ford was successfully co-opted. Councillors D Lewis and F Watkins abstained from the vote.

38/19-20 ITEM 9 PROGRESS PROJECTS 2019/20

A discussion on the replacement or repair of bus shelters took place. The two on Heol Canola were identified as being in the worse condition. The Clerk provided members with the costs of replacement, refurbishment or a general tidy up.

In addition the need to repair or replacement the planter in Wigan Terrace was suggested and the Clerk provided members with the cost to repair.

Resolved: A vote was taken and it was agreed to repair the planter on Wigan Terrace at a maximum cost of £310 and to replace the two bus shelters on Heol Canola at an approximate cost of £3,500 each but not to asset transfer them from BCBC. It was agreed that other shelters in the wards would be looked at in 2020/21 for refurbishment or replacement.

39/19-20 ITEM 10 FINANCE & ACCOUNTS INCLUDING THE INTERNAL AUDIT

- 1.The Clerk requested authority to make the payments listed for June 2019 totaling £1,082.29.
- 2.It was noted that the audited balance carried forward to July 2019 was £88,683.76
- 3.The external audit paperwork had been completed and forwarded to the External Auditor.
4. A financial request had been received from Heol y Mynydd Community Gardens for a donation towards their Open Day which would take place from 10.00 am on Sunday 28th July 2019.

Resolved: The information was noted. Authority was given to make the payments listed totalling £1,082.29. It was agreed to donate £200 to the Community Gardens. Other information was noted and accepted.

40/19-20 ITEM 11 CHAIR'S REPORT INCLUDING ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ENGAGEMENTS

The Chair had accepted an invitation to a Civic Service but had been unable to attend and sent her apologies in writing. The Chair had attended the opening of the Vernon Hartshorn Exhibition in Maesteg and recommended it to members, Councillor Watkins would also be attending the Bryncethin Community Centre opening later in the month.

41/19-20 ITEM 12 CLERK'S REPORT

Special Town and Community Council Forum Meeting

The Clerk informed Members that BCBC had called a special T&CC meeting to consider their Mid Term Financial Strategy as part of a consultation process on 29th July at 9.30 at BCBC. The council's T&CC representative, the Chair and the Clerk were invited to attend.

Clerks Meeting at BCBC

The Clerk had attended the meeting which included interesting presentations by the Chief Executive on his vision for the future collaboration between councils, the Active Travel Plan and CAT.

Environment

The Clerk informed members that the fencing on Heol Canola had now been repaired and informed them about the theft of plants from the top of Sarn Hill several times since the planting took place.

Resolved: It was noted that the council's T&CC representative would not be able to attend the special meeting and it was suggested that going forward where a representative could not attend the Chair would deputise for them. This was agreed. All other information was noted and the Clerk was asked to arrange for the footpath from Williams Crescent to Clos Tyn y Coed to be cut. The Clerk was also asked to write to Councillor E Jones on behalf of the council.

42/19-20 **ITEM 13 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 notice, order and plan re the temporary closure of the A4093, BCBC's Statement of Licensing Policy consultation and the invitation for the Chair to attend the Maesteg Civic Service on 21st July.

Resolved: The correspondence was noted.

Note: Councillor G Thomas left the meeting at 7.22 pm

43/19-20 **ITEM 14 PLANNING MATTERS**

1.Applications and Decisions

All applications and decisions were noted.

The Planning Aid Wales event was noted.

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

44/19-20 **ITEM 15 ITEMS FOR THE SEPTEMBER 2019 ORDINARY MEETING**

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

45/19-20 **ITEM 16 DATE & VENUE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

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

The meeting closed at 7.34 pm

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Chair of Council

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9th September 2019