

## **MAESYCWMMER COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Maesycwmmmer Community Council held at the Maesycwmmmer Old Age Pensioners Hall on Thursday, 27th July, 2017 at 7.00 p.m.

### **PRESENT**

Councillors: Mrs. M. Harries, Mrs. A Jones, Mr. A. Joynes, Miss J. Rao, Mr. C. Williams, Mrs. D. Williams and Mr. R. Woodyatt.

### **ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

Mrs. G. Thomas, Clerk.  
P.C. Kim Broad.  
C.S.O. Sean Coomer.

### **APOLOGIES**

Councillor Mr. D. Cocks  
Councillor Mr. V. James.

### 1446. **MINUTES**

The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on the 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2017 were confirmed as a true record.

### 1447. **MATTERS ARISING**

The Clerk reported that a letter had been sent as requested to Rhianon Passmore A.M. outlining the difficulties recruiting for the Playscheme. A letter had also been sent to the Maesycwmmmer Historical Society setting out the Community Council's position. It was agreed to appoint Cllr. Woodyatt to represent the Community Council in any further discussion regarding the War Memorial.

The Clerk reported that Anna Lewis, Welsh Housing Quality Standards (WHQS) Environmental Officer, Caerphilly C.B.C., had been in touch to remind Councillors that she was available to discuss environmental improvements in the village.

The school confirmed that the date of 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017 for the Lantern Parade was convenient.

1448. **ROAD SAFETY, POLICE and COMMUNITY LIAISON**

P.C. Broad reported that there had been 5 crimes recorded since the last meeting. These included damage to a vehicle, theft of a child's scooter, shed break in and domestic violence. There were no anti-social behaviour incidents reported in the period. P.C Broad gave an update on the damage to play equipment in Ystrad Mynach Park.

Cllr. Joynes asked about the condition of the steps in St David's Road. This being a Caerphilly C.B.C. responsibility, the Clerk was asked to write to the Chief Highways Engineer.

1449. **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Clerk reported that a number of documents had been forwarded to Councillors by email and requested that Councillors contact her if any action was required.

Letter from Carl Sargeant Cabinet Secretary for Communities and Children, Welsh Government, in response to a letter he received from Rhianon Passmore A.M. regarding the playscheme.

The Clerk reported the content of the letter which was noted. He accepted that there was an issue regarding the staffing of summer playschemes and was considering making the temporary amendment to the National Standards permanent. The Clerk explained that this would not help unless there was greater availability and certainty in the training courses provided. It was agreed that the Clerk write accordingly to the Cabinet Secretary.

Caerphilly C.B.C.

Notice that the cleansing team would be visiting the area and requests for areas to be cleansed to be submitted. Numerous areas were identified and the Clerk would pass the suggestions on to the relevant officer.

One Voice Wales

Notification of the Annual Conference and AGM to take place on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017. Approval for Cllr. Rao to attend was agreed.

1450. **REPORT OF THE CLERK, MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS AND COMMITTEES.**

Cllr. Rao reported details of the meetings she had attended and that she had been elected Chair of the Town and Community Council Joint Liaison Committee.

1451. **FINANCE**

Payments made by the Clerk under delegated powers were reported.

1452. **PLANNING**

17/0542/FULL. 36 St. Anne's Gardens, Maescywmmmer, CF82 7QR. Extend driveway for off road parking with associated retaining wall, fencing and steps. Noted.

17/0589/FULL. Avante, 6 Gellideg Lane, Maescywmmmer, CF82 7SD. Erect single storey side and rear extension. Noted.

1453. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Cllr. Rao reported that a number of lights on the viaduct were not working and asked the Clerk to request Cllr. James to investigate.