

MAESYCWMMER COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Maesycwmmmer Community Council held at the Maesycwmmmer Old Age Pensioners Hall on Thursday, 25th July 2019 at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT

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

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Mrs R. Kedward (Clerk)
Anna Lewis CCBC WHQS
Cllr V James

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr C Williams
C090 Jenna Price – Gwent Police

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

1617. **MINUTES**

The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on the 25th July 2019 were confirmed as a true record.

1618. **ROAD SAFETY, POLICE and COMMUNITY LIAISON**

In light of her apologies for the meeting, C090 Jenna Price had provided the Clerk with a report of crimes for Maesycwmmmer:

Only 2 anti-social behaviour calls for the month July.

17 Crimes. Some of which were....

2 vehicles scratched on Chave Terrace & West Avenue.

A motorbike stolen from Duffryn Industrial Estate – Found an hour later dumped in Penallta.

A vehicle was interfered with on Duffryn Industrial Estate.

Attempt break into a summer house one of the cottages on main Rd – disturbed by home owner.

A break into shed up and Bryn Meadows & a report of an intruder on site.

Fly tipping Summerfield Hall Lane.

Fighting on a bus on the Main Rd.

3 x harassment via social media.

Cllr Harries also reported there had been recent break ins on Tabor Road.

1619. **MATTERS ARISING**

In regards to the query raised regarding the land behind the community centre, Cllr Woodyatt reported to the meeting the details and history of who owned each area of land.

The area concerned was reported to be owned by CCBC and therefore they would be responsible for maintenance.

1620. **ANNA LEWIS WHQS (CCBC)**

Anna explained her role which involved consulting and working with the community to improve the area. She explained that there was a budget to be spent on agreed improvements. Anna explained she had already spoken with parents at the school who had indicated that they felt improvements were needed with the park.

The Clerk pointed out that there were already plans for the Community Council to install an outdoor gym at the park. Anna stated that she could match fund the council on this project and take the lead with plans and procurement. The Clerk stated that this would be a huge help as the process was proving to be quite complicated and so this opportunity was perfect for the plans already in place.

Cllr Woodyatt stated that as the outdoor gym was for adults (due to height restrictions), the Council were also hoping to provide some new play equipment for the children. Anna stated that match funding could also be provided for this and asked for ideas for other possible projects. The following ideas were discussed:

Provision of a skate park.

Extra dog fouling bins.

Extra rubbish bins, especially by the park and community centre.

Artwork project in the subway involving the children of the village.

Junction to Pleasant View / Springfield.

The Clerk agreed to email Anna with the date of the play scheme talent show as this would be an opportunity for her to carry out some further consultation work. Anna stated she would also be undertaking 'door knocking' to ensure she was able to speak to the majority of residents and gain an understanding of the needs of the whole community.

1621. **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.

The Clerk had received an email from a member of the community regarding the idea of having a community meadow on Gwerna field.

It was agreed that this was a pleasant idea and that there was a definite problem with litter in this area. It was noted there could be potential issues due to the area being a playing field, however it was agreed for the Clerk to write to the Parks department to ask if this would be a possibility. The Clerk would contact the lady who had enquired to let her know when the response was received.

1622. **REPORT OF THE CLERK, MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS AND COMMITTEES.**

The Clerk reported that Play Scheme was underway and going very well. There had been a few enquiries regarding the number of children permitted to attend the provision and so the Clerk had issued a statement explaining the regulations.

There had been very high numbers the first 2 days and tickets were being issued to parents in an attempt to relieve the large queue.

However attendance figures had started to drop and there were no longer any issues.

The Clerk reported that L Brideaux, Play Leader had planned and prepared lots of fun and exciting events and activities for the children including slime factory, animal encounters, Zumba, kick boxing, water slides and many more.

Cllr Harries reported that Lynsey had put in a huge effort in planning this years scheme and getting the materials etc. It was agreed that she would be presented with a bonus equal to 1 weeks' pay.

The Clerk enquired regarding dates for this years Lantern Parade and it was agreed that it would take place on the first Friday in December as usual, which would be 6th December. The Clerk stated she would contact Elsbury regarding the Christmas Lights switch on and the Rotary to book Santa's sleigh.

It was also confirmed that the Remembrance service would be held on Sunday 10th November at 12:30pm.

Cllr Rao announced she had been elected as Chair of the Area Committee for RCT and Caerphilly. She would be attending a presentation of Aneurin Bevan Community Health Council and the One Voice Wales AGM.

1623. **FINANCE**

The Clerk reported that payments for this month totalled £2562.98 and these were approved and signed on the monthly payment schedule.

A remittance from CCBC had been received stating that a payment of £23695.14 was to be paid into the CC's bank account on 31st July 2019. This was a further CIL payment.

Further reconciliation had not been carried out as the bank statements had not been received. The bank had been contacted to chase and a copy had been sent and was due to arrive.

1624. **PLANNING**

Case Ref 19/0515/FULL

22 The Crescent, Maesycwmmmer, CF82 7QF

Erect porch to front of house.

Noted.

Case Ref 19/0553/FULL

17 Shirdale Close, Maesycwmmmer, CF82 7QL

Erect single storey extension to side of dwelling and porch to front.
Noted.

20 The Crescent, Maesycwmmmer, CF82 7QF

Obtain a lawful development certificate for proposed loft conversion with rear dormer and front roof lights.

Noted.

1625. **MEMBERS MATTERS**

Cllr Harries reported that there were a lot of overgrown trees on the path in the park and a pothole on the safety flooring of the flying saucer apparatus. The Clerk agreed to contact Park Service to report and request they be cut back.

Cllr Woodyatt gave his apologies for September's meeting.