

# **COITY HIGHER COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

MINUTES OF A PRECEPT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD AT COETY PRIMARY SCHOOL, PARC DERWEN, BRIDGEND ON THURSDAY 12<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2019 AT 7.00 PM

Present: Councillors M Williams

D Barrington A Davies C Evans C Jones B Tiltman A Wathan

Apologies: Councillors A Hughes, L Richards, C

Walburn and R Young

Also Present: 1 Member of the Public

Mrs A C Harris, Clerk & RFO Mr P Ley, Asst. Clerk & FO

#### 102 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor	Item	Minute	Interest	Speak/Vote
C Evans	Payments	109	Personal interest Innovation Build	No/No
B Tiltman	Allotment Gardens	105	Tenant	No/No
M Williams	Planning	110	Personal interest P/19/742/FUL	No/No

# 103 <u>TO READ, CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 2019</u> ORDINARY MEETING

The Minutes of the November 2019 Ordinary Meeting were presented for approval. They were accepted and approved as a true record of the meeting and the minutes were signed by the Chair, with an agreed amendment of removing Councillor Tiltman's declarations of interest as he was not present at the meeting.

Resolved: This was noted.

# 104 <u>TO CONSIDER MATTERS ARISING FROM THE NOVEMBER 2019 ORDINARY MINUTES</u>

#### Minute 83 Feedback on Summer Activity Scheme:

Mr A Thomas had recommended a cost of £3,200 to hold the scheme at Litchard plus any room hire costs. The school had carried out a brief survey.

#### Minute 85 Consider Matters Arising from the October Minutes:

The Chair, Cllr. M Williams, gave an update on the discussions held at the first Task Group meeting.

The Clerk confirmed that the second phase of the allotment garden roadway had been Completed.

#### Minute 86 Clerk's Report Coity Village Association:

The Clerk read out an update from the Association on the insurance for the Boxing Day Match.

#### Minute 94 Items for the next Town and Community Council Forum:

The Council's request to include a CAT process briefing had been accepted and will be Included on the January agenda.

#### Minute 96(3) Finance Committee Recommendations:

The Clerk informed Members that the handrail is on hold as the RoW Department have requested that the more expensive DDA compliant rail is needed as the footpath is so close to a residential area. The RoW Dept. have offered to contribute £1,000 towards the cost of the more expensive handrail.

Resolved: The information was noted. The Clerk was asked to circulate the findings of the survey to Members. Councillor A Davies would find out the room hire costs for discussion at the January meeting. It was agreed that the football match could go ahead at Coety Playing Field though concerns were raised given the amount of heavy rain in recent weeks that it might be too wet to cut the grass and it may result in damage to the ground. The Clerk was asked to cancel the cut. The Clerk would find out the difference in the handrails for the difference in cost.

## 105 TO DISCUSS AND DETERMINE THE 2020/21 PRECEPT REQUIREMENT

The Finance Committee's draft precept budget was presented to the Full Council and discussed.

Resolved: It was agreed that the Clerk would request a precept of £109,100 for 2002/21.

#### 106 **SAFER ROUTES UPDATE**

The Clerk raised her concerns on the lack of response to previous correspondence.

Resolved: The Clerk was asked to write to Councillor Huw David, to express the Community Council's disappointment that no feedback has been received and no information regarding the submission of a phase 2 grant which is due around this time of year had been received either. The Community Council felt that previous promises had only been paying lip service to the Community Council. The Clerk was asked to request a further meeting.

#### 107 WALES ENVIRONMENT ACT

The Clerk had drafted an Environment (Wales) Act 2016 Section 6 report as part of the the biodiversity and resilience of ecosystems duty.

Resolved: The report was accepted and the Clerk was thanked for her work.

# 108 ADDITIONAL BANK SIGNATORY

The Clerk requested authority to remove the signatures of 8 previous Councillors from the bank accounts and replace with the signatures of serving Councillors. This had been authorised in September 2017 (Minute 59) but had not been actioned by the bank.

The 8 signatories to be removed were: Mr J Enos, Mr D A Clemett, Mr J H Thomas, Mr M C James, Mrs J A Brett, Mrs M Williams, Mrs E Dodd, Mrs C Webster

The new signatories to be added were: A Hughes, A Wathan, M Williams

Resolved: It was agreed to include an item on the January agenda to consider changing the council's banking to a local bank.

### 109 APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS FOR DECEMBER 2019

#### 1.Payment of Cheques

Authority was requested for the payments of the cheques listed in the month's papers,

### 2.Budget Monitoring, Accounts & Budgets

The budget monitoring report for November 2019 including the balances were accepted.

Resolved: All information was noted and authority was given to the Clerk to make the agreed payments.

#### 110 URGENT CORRESPONDENCE AND PLANNING MATTERS

All planning information was circulated.

Resolved: The planning applications and decisions were noted. No observations or objections were made.

#### 111 ITEMS FOR THE JANUARY 2020 ORDINARY MEETING

- Safer Routes Update
- Summer Activity Scheme

Resolved: It was agreed to include anything urgent that may arise during the month.

#### 112 DATE & VENUE FOR THE DECEMBER 2019 PRECEPT MEETING

Thursday, 9th January 2020 at Coity Higher Community Centre at 7.00 pm

The meeting closed at 8.02 pm