



COITY HIGHER COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE & RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD VIA A VIRTUAL
ZOOM MEETING AT 7.00 PM ON THURSDAY 1ST JULY 2021 AT 7.00 PM**

Present: Councillor M Williams

Councillors: A Hughes
B Tiltman
A Wathan (Chair of Council ex officio member)

Also Present: Mrs A C Harris, Clerk & RFO
Mr P Ley, Asst Clerk & FO

FR12/21: None

FR13/21 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTEREST

- Councillor B Tiltman - Allotment Gardens

FR14/21 TO RECORD THE ACCURACY OF THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE & RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 6TH MAY 2021

The Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 6th May 2021 were accepted as a true and accurate record and the Chair signed the Minutes.

FR15/21 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MAY 2021 MINUTES

Minute FR8 Project Update:

Footpath Map: The Litchard route will be mapped out next week and the short route will be mapped from the Litchard and Coity routes identified.

Minute FR9 Clerk's Report:

Coity Play Area: Fencing repair carried out.

Litchard Park Play Area: A section of the new wooden equipment had been kicked out. The Clerk had ordered a new part will take 6 weeks to deliver and install and will cost £335 excl. vat

Bins Pen y Cae Lane: BCBC will inspect the area, McAthur Glen have started regularly litter picking as is the local litter picker from Pride in Coity.

Floral Displays Heol Spencer: The Clerk had requested permission from BCBC regarding the licence for these planters which has been denied as they will prevent pedestrians seeking refuge/step off the existing carriageway.

Lease Heol y Groes: Guy Smith had replied on behalf of Mark Shephard, confirming that he'd asked the legal team to provide more information on the ownership of the site so that they can respond more fully.

Resolved: The information was noted.

FR16/21 TO REVIEW THE BUDGET FOR 2021/22

The current budget monitoring document was discussed. No matters of concern were raised. The Finance Officer explained the figures. Each budget line was considered and revisions made due to the Members Allowance uptake being less than expected, the summer activity schemes not going ahead and the need for additional budget for Christmas provision in 2021 and the need for play area inspections as this is no longer included with the council's insurance policy.

Resolved: The information was noted. There were no threats or concerns regarding the 2020/21 budget. The committee would recommend the revision of the budget to full council.

FR17/21 UPDATE ON HEOL MAIR PLAY AREA REFURBISHMENT

The Clerk informed Members that the planning of improvements to Play Areas in 2021/22 has been disrupted due to unforeseen circumstances. BCBC has confirmed that the Council is presently determining how these refurbishments should be planned and procured and once they have more information they will provide the Community Council with an update.

Resolved: The information was noted.

FR18/21 UPDATE ON COITY HIGHER COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Clerk informed Members that the Leader's office had been in touch to say that a meeting would be arranged shortly between BCBC and CHCC to discuss this matter further.

It was suggested that the Community Council should employ an architect to make suggestions of how the building could be improved for future use. It was also agreed that more information was needed on why Awen Cultural Trust had handed back the Centre to BCBC.

Resolved: The information was noted.

FR19/21 MAINTENANCE OF PLAY AREAS

Councillor Williams raised this item due to the increase in play area maintenance and the general maintenance including bin emptying was discussed. It was suggested that T&CCs could work in partnership to provide these services.

Resolved: It was agreed to recommend to full council that the tasks carried out are monitored over the year and a further discussion held in the future.

F20/21 CLERK'S REPORT

Budget 2021/22:

As in previous years the Clerk had published this on the CHCC website.

Newsletter:

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The Clerk asked for guidance of the way forward this year.

Other Matters:

The Clerk was asked about the progress on the diversion of footpath 17.

The Clerk was asked about mowing half of plot 34 at the allotment garden on a regular basis.

Resolved: The action of the Clerk was noted. It was agreed to recommend to full council that a newsletter should be published in early autumn and include a copy of the new footpath map and a page on finance/performance and to publish a spring/summer newsletter in 2022. The Clerk would check on the progress of the footpath diversion and let Members know the outcome. The Clerk would speak to the contractor about including the mowing of half of plot 34 when the allotment gardens are cut.

FR21/21 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT FINANCE & RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING

To keep the agenda open for submissions until late August 2021.

A discussion on holding physical meetings in the future was held and the Clerk would confirm the current status to Members.

FR22/21 TO AGREE THE DATE AND LOCATION FOR THE NEXT FINANCE & RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING

Resolved: The Committee will next meet in early September 2021 via Zoom before the next Ordinary Meeting.

With there being no further matters to discuss the Chair thanked Members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 7.54 pm