

Raglan Community Council
Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on
17th December 2014 at the Raglan Junior School at
7.00pm

Present

Cllr Ewen Brierley
Cllr Dennis Brown
Cllr Penny Jones
Cllr Richard Moorby,

Cllr Sylvia Price
Cllr Trevor Phillips (Chairman)
Cllr Peter Williams
Cllr Helen Williams

3729 In attendance:

Adrian Edwards, Clerk to the Council.

The Clerk apologised that the minutes from the last meeting was not published due to technical issues outside his control.

Members noted and accepted the apology

3730 **Agenda Item 1:-**Apologies for absence.

Cllr Moorby joined the meeting at 7.10pm
Cllr's Noel Porter, Ray Parry

3731 **Agenda Item 2:-**Declarations of interest.

Cllr's Peter Williams, Sylvia Price and Penny Jones declared an interest in an item in the correspondence. Relating to Tea Party Group.

Other declarations of interest will be made as and when.

3732 **Agenda Item 3:-** 15 minutes set aside for members of public to address the Council with any concerns

No public in attendance

3733 **Agenda Item 4:-** To receive and if appropriate to adopt the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday 26th November 2014.

***Proposed** by Cllr P Williams seconded by Cllr P Jones that the minutes are signed as a true record.*

All Members Agreed

3734 **Agenda Item 5:-** Matters to report.

The Clerk asked about minute 3717. He explained that a press release was sent to the local papers but it was not published. It was explained that a petition is in some of the local business relating to the closure of St Cadocs. One member stated it states it was a home; this was corrected by one member stating St Cadocs was a building with individual units under caretaker control. Cllr Jones explained that a press release was published with information which was clearly different to the information provided to members in the last meeting. This matter was debated fully and after some consideration it was:

Resolved: *that the Clerk should write again following this meeting highlighting the facts.*

All members agreed

There was some debate over minute 3720. The Clerk explained the Welsh Government Minister has written back regarding this section of the A40. He explained that Welsh Government will not consider any improvement to this junction. After some debate it was:

Resolved: to contact Monmouthshire Highways and invite an officer to the February meeting.

3735 Agenda Item 6:-Planning applications received.

- **DC/2014/01374:** Variation to proposals for two storey extension to rear and side of existing dwelling, previously approved under application M/8330, including alterations to internal layout and enclosure of area adjacent "Lynton" with single storey extension to match that constructed to the rear of "Lynton"

Members considered the above application and after some debate it was:

Resolved: that the Clerk contacts the Planning department and ask for further information relating to the amendments.

3736 Agenda Item 7:- Finance Matters.

Payee	Amount	Cheque No	Date sent	Cashed
Payments from November				
Clerks salary & HMRC				
Royal British Legion	£17.00		18 th Dec	N
Merlin waste	£33.90		18 th Dec	N
Llanelly C Council	£34.20		18 th Dec	N
Payments from December				
Clerks salary & HMRC				
Merlin waste	£50.85		18 th Dec	N
K Davis	£135.00		18 th Dec	N

It was agreed: by all members present that the payments above are paid

3737 Agenda Item 8:- Members concerns on highway issues.

Concern was also expressed concern over Pen-y-Parc Road. It was explained the traffic is still speeding and it would seem most of the traffic is using the business park. After some debate it was:

Resolved: to write to Monmouthshire Highways again explaining the members concerns.

Cllr Moorby expressed concern over the amount of mud on the roads in and around Llandenny.

It was explained that the mud was from the autumn harvest and can't be helped. Concern was also expressed that the rain is washing the mud and silt into drains and road side grips. After some debate it was:

Resolved: that the Clerk write to Monmouthshire Highways asking for the drains and grips to be cleaned.

The Clerk asked about the road markings and the centre reservation being removed at the junction at Llandenny/Chepstow Road. After some debate it was:

Resolved: the Clerk writes to Monmouthshire CC again.

3738 Agenda Item 9:- Items of correspondence.

Welsh Government:

1. No correspondence by post received

Monmouthshire County Council:

2. No correspondence by post received

Other Correspondence:

3. The Raglan Afternoon Team

Cllr's noted above declared a personal and none prejudicial interest in this item. The chairman invited members to give a verbal report on this group. After the report it was:

Resolved: further consideration will be given to this correspondence after a grant application is made.

Correspondence by Email:

4. National Principles for public engagement in Wales
5. Buckingham Place garden parties

It was proposed that Cllr Phillips is nominated. Cllr Phillips accepted

6. British Weights and Measures Association

3739 Agenda Item 10:- Clerk reports.

The Clerk gave members a verbal report on the cost of the replacement fencing at the allotment site. There was some debate over this matter and it was:

Proposed that some members will inspect the sites and report to the subcommittee meeting.

3740 Agenda Item 11:- Reports from members on outside bodies.

Cllr Helen Williams explained that she attended a One Voice Wales meeting. Cllr Williams also attended a School Governors meeting and the new school is on time for completion. She also explained that the steering group met with Monmouthshire County Council has been split into three groups looking at different projects.

- Transfer of the MUGA as a community Asset
- New build group looking at a proposal new community centre build
- Transition group.

At the One Voice Wales executive meeting, a representative from Welsh Government gave a report on reorganisation of Local Government and working with the third sector.

3741 Agenda Item 12:- Reports from the County Councillor

Cllr Jones explained Monmouthshire County Council will be debating the budget in full council. Members were concerned about the current proposals and the lack of information from Monmouthshire County Council. It was explained that this was also debated in a charter meeting

with Monmouthshire County Council. After some debate it was:

Resolved: that the Clerk writes to the communications officer asking about a formal meeting with Community Councils regarding the budgets.

3742 The Chairman thanked members for attending. The meeting closed at 8.20 pm. The date of the next meeting is 28th January 2015

Signed by _____

Chairman Cllr Phillips
Date 28th January 2015