

Raglan Community Council
Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on
26th February 2014 at the Raglan Junior School at
7.30pm

Present

Clr Vivienne Compton
Clr Dennis Brown
Clr Ewen Brierley

Clr Penny Jones
Clr Richard Moorby (Chairman)
Clr Helen Williams

3554 In attendance:

Adrian Edwards, Clerk to the Council.
Three members of the public were in attendance

3555 Agenda Item 1:-Apologies for absence.

Clr's Sylvia Price Due to Illness, Clr's Trevor Phillips and Peter Williams Family commitments

3556 Agenda Item 2:-Declarations of interest.

Clr's Williams and Brown explained that they are co-opted members from the Community Council on the Village Hall and Recreation Committee.

Clr Penny Jones declared an interest as a member of Monmouthshire County Council and a school governor.

Members will make further declarations if and when required.

The Chairman agreed to suspend standing orders to allow the members of the public to address the Council. Clr Williams explained that the management committee met with officers and the cabinet member from MCC over the last couple of days in relation to the community facility in the new school.

One of the members of the public asked would the minutes from that meeting be published. He also asked about any of the reports published by MCC in relation to the new school. It was explained that it's down to MCC if they wish to publish any minutes or any reports. Clr Williams gave members a brief of the meeting with the cabinet member and officers.

One member of the public asked the following question.

- Have Raglan Community Council (RCC) undertaken a comprehensive needs analysis to define the size of community space required within the village over the next 10 years? If so, could this be made available and are RCC aware of any other organisation or body that has undertaken a comprehensive needs analysis to define the size of community space required within the village over the next 10 years and if so, do RCC have a copy and could this be made available.
- A question was asked about any policies RCC or MCC have in relation to the existing community facility and any documents relating to the proposed new school. He explained

that the public meeting in January was not an open question and answer forum. Cllr Williams explained about some of the points made at the meeting with the 21st Century Schools Team.

- Any proceeds will be re-invested back into the 21st Century Schools programme.
- The Old School building/Victorian Hall could be offered to the Community through the Community Asset Transfer Scheme. Further work would be needed by the community to clearly define its viability, sustainability, and day to day management.
- There will be a land swap between the Dioceses and MCC.
- There is an area indicated on the plans for community parking area.
- The MUGA additional information is being sought regarding the status of this asset.
- The new facility will be called a multipurpose room; this multipurpose room will have its own entrance, lobby.

Cllr Jones explained that there were several officers and 2 Councillors from MCC available to answer any questions. Cllr Williams explained that consultation has taken place and a number of questions were put forward and answered.

One member of the public asked about the community plan and process has been followed as it's not published. Concern was expressed that there has been a lack of public consultation and a clear process adopted. It was also explained that after the presentation on the 27th January 2014, all the comments made were taken away and responses are currently being compiled for circulation to the attendees.

Cllr Jones explained that she will provide further information in relation to the process followed.

One member of the public asked as the Council members are the elected voice of Raglan residents, what does RCC believe its responsibilities are with respect to the provision of fit for purpose community facilities within the ward?

The Chairman explained that RCC will endeavour to get best value and the best option for the community. There was some debate over the transfer of the old school or the old church school building. One member of the public asked about the meetings of the village hall committee and if the village hall committee has seen the plans and made any observations. It was asked what process of engagement has taken place between the management committee and the public. It was explained that no meetings have taken place since the last AGM and those minutes will be published at the next AGM.

One member of the public asked if RCC hold will a public consultation when they receive the planning application. It was explained that the Council will consider calling a special meeting to consider and debate the application. One member asked about any time lines in place so everyone will have the opportunity to inspect and make comment in relation to the proposals.

The Chairman thanked all three members for public for attending and two left at 8.24pm.

3557 Agenda Item 3:- To receive and if appropriate to adopt the Minutes of the Special Public Meeting held on Wednesday 22nd January 2014.

Cllr Compton's name was missing from the attendance list.

Minute 3538 City Illumination the figure should read £4'879.20

Proposed by Cllr P Jones seconded by Cllr Brown that the minutes are signed as a true record after the amendments are made.
All Members Agreed

3558 Agenda Item 4:- Matters to report.

No matters to report

3559 Agenda Item 5:- To receive and if appropriate to adopt the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday 22nd January 2014.

Cllr Compton name was missing from the attendance list.

Proposed by Cllr P Jones seconded by Cllr Brierley that the minutes are signed as a true record after the amendments are made.

All Members Agreed

3560 Agenda Item 6:- Matters to report.

Cllr Moorby informed members about the system that has been implemented by the CAB's in Monmouthshire. He explained that Monmouth CAB is still an independent unit.

3561 Agenda Item 7:- To receive and if appropriate to adopt the Minutes of the Special Allotment Meeting held on Wednesday 29th January 2014.

Proposed by Cllr Brierley seconded by Cllr Brown that the minutes are signed as a true record.

All Members Agreed

3562 Agenda Item 8:- Matters to report.

Members considered minute number 3548 relating to the hire of a skip so allotmentees are able to dispose of any unwanted items from the allotment site. After some debate it was:

Agreed: that the subcommittee will inspect the site first.

All members agreed

3563 Agenda Item 9:- To receive and if appropriate to adopt the Minutes of the Special Finance Meeting held on Thursday 30th January 2014.

Proposed by Cllr Brierley seconded by Cllr Brown that the minutes are signed as a true record.

All Members Agreed

3564 Agenda Item 10:- Matters to report.

No matters to report

3565 Agenda Item 11:- Planning applications received.

- **DC/2014/00177: Installation of photovoltaic (PV) panels on surgery roof. Raglan Surgery, Chepstow Road, Raglan.**

Members considered the application and after some debate it was:

Resolved: to offer no objection.

3566 Agenda Item 12:- Finance Matters.

For the month of February		2014
Balance brought forward		£17,201.12
Payee	Amount	Balance remaining
Clerks salary		
HMRC		
Viking Direct	£81.19	
Copying	£10.20	
Reimbursement to Clerk	£8.20	
Merlin Waste 3rd & 17th Feb	£33.90	
Website without Worry DD	£35.25	
Balance carried forward		£16,760.71

3567 Agenda Item 13:- Members concerns on Highway issues.

Members still have concern over the road surface at the junctions at the A40 roundabout. Cllr Brierley raised concern over the continued flooding on Castle Road at the junction by Monmouth Road. After some debate it was:

Resolved: that the Clerk write to MCC Highways

3568 Agenda Item 14:- Items of correspondence.

Welsh Assembly Government:

1. Appointment of chair of Emergency Ambulance Services Committee.

Monmouthshire County Council:

2. MCC Chairman Cllr David Dovey, Monmouthshire Schools Music Showcase. 27th March 2014.
3. MCC Local Development Plan. Inspectors Report.
4. Developing a Community Climate Change Risk Assessment 11th February 2014.
5. Managing our Public Highways.
6. MCC Ground maintenance contract.
7. Central Monmouthshire Rural Forum. 20th February.
8. MCC Precept confirmation.
9. National Cycling Championships. Poster.

Other Correspondence:

10. St David's thank you letter.

11. Teenage Cancer Trust.
12. Walk for Life Supporting families affected by kidney disease.
13. Home Start application.
14. One Voice Wales membership renewal 2014-15.

Agreed to renew membership

15. NSPCC.
16. Strong Roots Sustainable Development seminars —“Taking it Further”
17. Chepstow Annual Walking Weekend.
18. ICO renewal 2014-15

Agreed to renew membership

19. Grant application letter. St’Cadoc’s Church
Clerk to send grant application

20. Kelvin Davies Letter and returning cheque

Members noted all correspondence:

3567 Agenda Item 15:- Clerk reports.

The Clerk reminded members about the Planning Training on the 4th and 11th March. Cllr’s Williams Moorby and Brierley will be attending the training sessions.

3568 Agenda Item 16:- Reports from members on outside bodies.

Cllr Williams gave members a verbal update on the Monmouthshire liaison meeting between One Voice Wales and MCC. Boundary changes were one of the agenda items. She explained that there was some debate and MCC are reconsidering the consultation process. Cllr Williams also gave members a verbal update from the consultation relating to the new school.

3569 Agenda Item 17:- Reports from the County Councillor

Cllr Jones explained that MCC will be considering the MCC Local Development Plan and 2014/15 budget on the 27th February. It was explained that the front line services will be protected for 2014/15

3570 The Chairman thanked members for attending. The meeting closed at 9.30 pm. The date of the next meeting is 26th March 2014

Signed by _____

Chairman Cllr Phillips
Date 26th March 2014