

Raglan Community Council
Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on
25th March 2015 at the Raglan Junior School at
7.00pm

Present

Cllr Vivienne Compton
Cllr Dennis Brown
Cllr Penny Jones
Cllr Richard Moorby
Cllr Sylvia Price

Cllr Trevor Phillips (Chairman)
Cllr Noel Porter
Cllr Peter Williams
Cllr Helen Williams

3812 In attendance:

Adrian Edwards, Clerk to the Council.

3813 **Agenda Item 1:-**Apologies for absence.

Cllr Ewen Brierley and Cllr Ray Parry

3814 **Agenda Item 2:-**Declarations of interest.

Declarations of interest will be made as and when required

3815 **Agenda Item 3:-** 15 minutes set aside for members of public to address the Council with any concerns

No public in attendance

3816 **Agenda Item 4:-** To receive and if appropriate to adopt the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday 25th February 2015

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

All Members Agreed

3817 **Agenda Item 5:-** Matters to report.

Minute 3797. The chairman gave a verbal report regarding long stay parking in the village and surrounding areas. He also explained that officers also considered the footpaths in the village and the width of the footpaths in particular locations.

The chairman also explained he with officers from MCC also inspected the waste parcel of land on the A40 roundabout and Usk Road. It was reported that the officers will confirm the ownership of the land and report back to the council.

Minute 3801. One member asked about the access to the industrial estate and the adjacent corner on Pen-y-parc Road. It was reported the council has not received any replies to the correspondence sent. After some debate regarding this issue. It was:

***Proposed:** the clerk writes to MCC Highways asking for the hedge to be removed or reduced in height*

***Resolved:** the clerk write to MCC highways.*

Minute 3799 Cllr Price and the clerk gave a verbal report on the allotments after a subcommittee held a meeting on the allotment sites. After some debate it was:

Proposed: by Cllr Price seconded by Cllr Compton that a skip is provided in April. After some debate it was confirmed the skip will be provided between the 18th and 20th April.

Cllr Price explained that allotment tenants have requested the access from the allotments to the high street be improved and made safe. After some debate it was:

Proposed: by Cllr Price seconded by Cllr Compton that the improvements are carried out and the clerk obtain estimates.

3818 Agenda Item 6:-Planning applications received.

- **DC/2015/00076:** New gate in field at Ton Farm, Raglan.
- **DC/2015/00231:** Discharge of condition no 18 (details of (a) New car park and (b) Highway improvements along Chepstow Road) from planning permission DC/2014/00201. Brookes Holdings Site Station Road, Raglan.
- **DC/2015/00235:** Upgrade to an existing 20m column and will facilitate the use of the site by both Vodafone and 02. Mardy Farm, Corner of Field, Usk.
- **DC/2015/00244:** Proposed two storey extension to house with extension to existing garage. Howton, Elms Road, Raglan.
- **DC/2015/00258:** Discharge of condition no 21 (design & external appearance of the hall) of planning permission DC/2014/00201

Members considered all of the above applications and offered no objections

3819 Agenda Item 7:- Finance Matters.

Payee	Amount
Payments for March	
Clerks salary	
HMRC	
Clerk's office allowance	150.00
Gwent young farmers	100.00
Merlin Waste (Feb)	33.90
Merlin Waste (March)	33.90
Came & Co Insurance	396.48

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

All receipts were available for inspection

3820 Agenda Item 8:- Members concerns on highway issues.

Cllr Jones received a complaint from a resident from Pen-y-clawdd regarding the junction close to Hill Farm. It was explained that there are no road markings and vehicles are driving the incorrect way around the road configuration. After some debate it was:

Proposed: by Cllr Jones the clerk writes to MCC Highways seconded by Cllr Williams

Resolved: the clerk writes to MCC highways.

3821 Agenda Item 9:- Items of correspondence.

Welsh Government:

1. Local Voices needed for Health Watchdog

Monmouthshire County Council:

2. MCC consultation on Community Infrastructure Levy, Draft Charging Schedule
3. MCC Chairman, Charity fashion show & afternoon tea 19th April
4. Monmouthshire Rural Forum Agenda

Other Correspondence:

5. Play for Wales
6. Kidney Wales Foundation walk for life
7. Mazars external Auditors change of address

Correspondence by Email:

8. Wales in Bloom Launch Events 2015
9. Written Statement - Update on the Review of Designated Landscapes in Wales
10. Organisation who may have entered Wales in Bloom Campaign
11. Email from the Chairman of Raglan Village Hall association
12. Natural Resources Wales, Come on Board
13. OVW How to save our town centres
14. OVW Motions for 2015 AGM
15. National Plant Monitoring Scheme

3822 Agenda Item 10:- Clerk reports.

The clerk explained that he had received no information to amend on the business case. The clerk gave members a copy of the business case that was submitted to MCC, for consideration.

3823 Agenda Item 11:- Reports from members on outside bodies.

The chairman gave a verbal report regarding the changes the board of One Voice Wales (OVW) are recommending. The organisation is wishing to change to an organisation limited by guarantee, but OVW will need to have over 90% of councils to agree.

The chairman proposed that members have an action list attached to the agenda so members can follow any outstanding actions.

Cllr Moorby gave a verbal report on the Monmouth CAB. He explained that the Monmouth CAB will be closing after the committee have closed all the current business. It was explained that anyone wishing to use the services of a CAB will have to travel to Chepstow or Abergavenny offices.

Cllr H Williams gave members a report on the current situation regarding the business case for the transfer of the MUGA and adjoining field. Cllr H Williams explained that it was hoped that the transfer would have been included on the next Cabinet agenda of MCC but it would seem this will now go to the May meeting. Cllr H Williams also updated members that RVHA have submitted a big lottery application and are awaiting confirmation of the submission. The clerk distributed a

paper copy of the business case to all members.

3824 Agenda Item 12:- Reports from the County Councillor

Cllr Jones gave members a verbal report relating to the old public conveniences in Raglan village. Cllr Jones inspected the old conveniences with officers from MCC and explained that the old conveniences are in private ownership, so the Environmental Health or Planning Department will look into this matter.

Cllr Jones also explained that a number of surgeries will be held with Cllr Sara Jones over the next couple of months.

Cllr Jones gave a report on the new school and the transfer of the old school and surrounding areas.

3825 The Chairman thanked members for attending. The meeting closed at 8.30 pm. The date of the next meeting is 22nd April 2015

Signed by _____

Chairman Cllr Phillips
Date 22nd April 2015