

**Raglan Community Council**  
**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday**  
**14 December 2016 at Raglan School, Station Road, Raglan,**  
**at 7.00pm**

**Present**

Cllr Dennis Brown  
Cllr Ewen Brierley  
Cllr Vivienne Compton  
Cllr Penny Jones

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

**4176 In attendance:**

Adrian Edwards, Clerk to the Council.  
Gwent Police PC Evans

**4177 Agenda 1:-** Apologies for absence.

Cllr's Noel Porter, Richard Moorby

**4178 Agenda 2:-** Declarations of interest.

No declarations made at this time.

**4179** The chairman welcomed PC Evans to the meeting

The chairman invited PC Evans to give members a verbal report relating to Policing in the Raglan area. PC Evans gave some examples of incidents in the area.

- On 11/10/16, report received of an attempted garage break in at a rural residential address on Lower Raglan Road, Llandenny.
- On 12/10/16, report received of a vehicle having been located parked up unattended for a few days in Fayre Oaks, Raglan
- On 17/10/16, report received of the theft of a 16' IVOR WILLIAMS trailer from a rural agricultural holding
- On 18/10/16, report received for the Fairfax area of RAGLAN of a vehicle parked unattended and causing an obstruction.
- On 19/10/16, report received of the theft of 2 mountain bikes from a residential address in Caestory Crescent
- On 02/11/16, report received of damage caused to a haulage lorry parked overnight in a lay-by on the A449 near Raglan.

PC Evans explained that the Police report will be sent to the clerk so members will have a full list of incidents in the community. A number of questions were asked and PC Evans offered advice. A number of questions were asked about parking in the village and in side roads and cul-de-sacs and on pavements in the village. PC Evans explained that the current inspectors are not considering parking on the pavements as an offence as long as pedestrians can pass without walking onto or entering the live carriageway. After some debate. The chairman thanked PC Evans for his report.

Pc Evans left the meeting at 7.25 pm

**4180 Agenda 3:-** To receive and if appropriate to adopt the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday 23 November 2016.

**Proposed:** by Cllr Sylvia Price seconded by Cllr Trevor Phillips that *the minutes are*

*signed as a true and accurate record.*

**All Members Agreed**

**4181 Agenda 4:-** Matters to report.

Cllr H Williams explained that minute 4165 should be recorded as the Business plan has been presented to MCC legal team and the transfer documents to be processed

Cllr H Williams informed members that Raglan School have appointed a temporary Head teacher from January to September academic year, and the former head teacher will be leaving his post on Friday the 16 December 2016.

Cllr Phillips expressed disappointment that MCC have not swept the village or any other part of the community after informing him that it would be completed during November. After some debate it was:

**Agreed** the DSO manager should be contacted by the clerk

A number of questions were asked about the current situation relating to the car parking at Fairfax in Raglan. The clerk explained that a number of emails have been exchanged between MCC Highways and Gwent Police. It was explained that MCC will be erecting a number of car parking signs in the community directing visitors to the new car park.

**4183 Agenda 5:-** Planning applications.

**DC/2016/01433:** Grenadenes, Usk Road, Raglan, NP15 2HJ Loft conversion.

After some debate it was: Proposed to offer no objection

**All those present agreed**

**DC/2016/00230:** Oak Lodge, Pen-y-Clwydd, NP25 4BW Proposed single storey, extension, to existing dwelling.

After some debate it was: Proposed to offer no objection

**All those present agreed**

**4184 Agenda 6:-** To note finance matters, including Income & Expenditure

Payee	Amount
Clerks salary & HMRC October, November & December	
Griffiths Signs	£183.60
One Voice Wales	£70.00
Thomas Waste	£276.00
Merlin Waste 14 & 28 Nov	£40.68
Mr I A Bassett Allotment rent	£30.00
Ms Amanda Cook Allotment deposit	£15.00
Mr Robinson Allotment deposit	£15.00
Cllr Peter Williams	£250.00
One Voice Wales AGM invoice	£180.00

*It was: proposed by Cllr Dennis Brown seconded by Cllr Penny Jones the invoices are paid*

**All those present agreed**

*All invoices were available for members to inspect*

**4185      Agenda 7:-** Members concerns on highway issues.

A number of members asked about the current survey relating to the High Street, and the survey that has been carried out by the Highway Authority. The clerk informed members that the Highway authority has not released any information at this stage; he also explained that once this survey is in the public domain he will ask the chairman to convene a public consultation and invite the relevant officers from MCC to attend.

Cllr's Price and Williams expressed concern over the continuing issue with brambles and other vegetation overhanging a wall on Old Monmouth Road. After some debate it was:

**Resolved:** the clerk should contact MCC Highways about issuing a notice to the owner of the property or cut the overhanging material and invoice the property owner.

Concern was expressed over the disabled parking bay in the village being used by a resident to park their car in that location. There was some debate over this matter and it was concluded that the clerk should contact the Highway Authority about the notice displayed in this location

**4186      Agenda 8:-** Items of correspondence.

**Welsh Government:**

1. Appointment of 2 Members
2. Appointment of Independent Members to NHS Wales
3. Letter from Cabinet Secretary for Economy & Infrastructure
4. Consultation on changing the name of the National Assembly

The clerk presented 4 above and it was felt the name change is an unnecessary waste of money, and the clerk should relay this to the Assembly Government.

**Monmouthshire County Council:**

5. Community Council election Candidate briefing 26 & 31 January 2017

**Other Correspondence:**

6. Raglan Village Hall Grant application form
7. One Voice Wales Training dates
8. David Davies Newsletter

**Emails**

9. Email from Paul Keeble, Highway concerns in Raglan and the open flow of storm water
10. Re Room Hire at Raglan School Chair of Governors
11. Re Room Hire at Raglan School

The clerk presented the above email and it was agreed the hire change should be reimbursed for the dates the school was unavailable, and the council had to change venue at short notice.

12. Reply from Chair of Governors Raglan School
13. WG Landfill Disposal Tax
14. Networking Opportunities for the Future Generations Commissioner
15. RVHA Application for funding

Cllr Compton would return the application and ask for further information to be included.

16. News letter from David Davies
17. A defibrillator that's publicly available in the community may one day save a life. The clerk informed members that he had been contacted by an officer from the Welsh Ambulance Service and a defibrillator will be made available free of charge, but the community council will need to provide a cabinet.

18. Election 2017 – Candidate and Agent Briefing session

Publication of principles and guidance for the appropriate use of non-guaranteed hour arrangements in devolved public services

19. National Development Framework engagement events
20. Site meeting with MCC Delegated Panel Clytha Road
21. Reply from Paul Keeble Re Parking Issues in Fairfax View Raglan
22. Parking Issues in Fairfax View Raglan
23. Parking Issues in Fairfax View Raglan

All the correspondence was available for members to inspect. Members noted the correspondence received.

**4187**      **Agenda 13:-** Clerk reports.

No further to report

**4188**      **Agenda 14:-** Reports from members on outside bodies.

Cllr H Williams gave members a verbal report following a number of governor meetings.

**4189**      **Agenda 15:-** Reports from the County Councillor

No further reports to make

**4190**      The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and invited members to join him at a local hostelry to celebrate Christmas. The meeting closed at 8.30 pm. The date of the next meeting 25 January 2017

Signed by \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman Cllr Peter Williams  
Date 25 January 2017