

Raglan Community Council
Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday
27 April 2016 at Raglan School, Station Road, Raglan,
at 7.00pm

Present

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| Cllr Dennis Brown | Cllr Trevor Phillips |
| Cllr Vivian Compton | Cllr Helen Williams |
| Cllr Richard Moorby(Chairman) | Cllr Peter Williams |
| Cllr Penny Jones | |

4058 In attendance:

Adrian Edwards, Clerk to the Council.

4059 Agenda item 1:-Apologies for absence.

Cllr's Ewen Brierley, Sylvia Price and Ray Parry

4060 Agenda item 2: Declarations of interest

No declarations made at this time.

4061 Agenda item 3: To receive and if appropriate to adopt the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday 23 March 2016.

Proposed: by Cllr H Williams seconded by Cllr D Brown that *the minutes are signed.*

All Members Agreed

4062 Agenda item 4: Matters to report.

Cllr Moorby gave members a verbal report relating to minute 4042, 'Raglan Roots crowdfunding'. He explained that the cost for the new case has been quoted as £482 plus VAT. The proposed panel will be a completely new metal stand. Mrs Morgan explained via an email that they will need to have some advice or help regarding the installation of the new map case.

Cllr Moorby explained Mrs Morgan would be grateful if there is a way that they can avoid VAT for this project. The installation at the moment is an unknown cost but at least they think they should have sufficient funding with the funds raised.

The clerk explained the VAT can only be reclaimed by the community council if the community council placed any orders and all invoices are made out in community council's name.

It was explained that Cllr R Parry declared an interest and left the room relating to planning application DC/2016/00240.

There was some debate regarding the hedge on Usk Road adjacent to the by-pass junction. It was felt that this is a Highways issue. It was:

Proposed: the clerk contacts MCC Highways and asks if someone can inspect and provide a report.

4063 Agenda item 5: To receive and if appropriate to adopt the Minutes of the Special Meeting held on Thursday 21 April 2016.

Proposed: by Cllr P Williams seconded by Cllr D Brown that *the minutes are signed.*

All Members Agreed

4064 Agenda item 6: Matters to report.

The clerk gave a verbal report regarding the planning application and comments made.

4065 Agenda item 7: Planning applications.

Cllr Trevor Phillips declared a personal interest in **DC/2016/00378:**

Cllr Richard Moorby declared an interest in **DC/2016/00262:**

- DC/2016/00378: The Beaufort Arms Hotel, High Street, Raglan. Retention of redwood sculptures of the Dragon and Leopard from the Beaufort coat of arms.

There was some debate regarding this application and a number of members believed the timber has weathered over the last number of weeks. After some debate it was:

Proposed: that no objection is made, but a condition that both canopies are the same colour should be included in any consent if the Planning Authority are minded to approve

- DC/2016/00241: Cae-Canol House, Penyclawdd, Monmouth. REPLACE SINGLE STOREY GARAGE/UTILITY WITH TWO STOREY EXTENSION

The clerk informed members this application has been approved 20 days after RCC received application. Members expressed concern and expressed disappointment after the clerk contacted the Planning Authority explaining the council would not be meeting until 27 April.

Proposed: the clerk should express the community councils disappointment

- DC/2016/00262: Idlebrook, Station Road, Raglan. ALTERATIONS AND EXTENSIONS TO DWELLING. NEW DOUBLE GARAGE STORE, GARDEN WC AND PLAYROOM

Members considered this planning application in great detail, and after some debate it was:

Proposed: by Cllr P Williams seconded by Cllr Compton the application is refused on the grounds of over development

Cllr Moorby informed members that he had received a complaint from a local resident about someone removing shrubs and trees without consent in the conservation area.

4066 Agenda item 8: To note finance matters, including Income & Expenditure.

| Payee | Amount |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Clerks salary & HMRC April | |
| Merlin Waste | |

It was: proposed by Cllr T Phillips seconded by Cllr P Williams the invoices are paid

All members agreed.

All invoices were available for members to inspect

4067 Agenda item 9: Members concerns on highway issues.

Cllr P Williams raised concerns over the amount of lose chippings on the roundabout. After some debate it was:

Proposed: the clerk contacts MCC highways asking them to sweep the road surface at the junction.

There was some concern about the continuing issues relating to assumed abandoned vehicles. Members were concerned that the different agencies are unable to remove such vehicles. There was also some debate over vehicles parking in some of the approach roads into local housing estates. After some debate it was:

Proposed: by Cllr D Brown, the clerk contact the local Police Force and make to an appropriate report and invite someone to a community council meeting.

Cllr P Jones explained that she has reported to officers of MCC the current position of the car parking signs in the new car park.

Action point: Cllr Jones and the clerk will contact MCC highways.

Cllr Porter asked if the community council have received any news regarding the bend on Pen-y-parc Road. Cllr T Phillips believes the landowner will need to apply for planning consent. After some debate it was:

Proposed: the clerk contacts MCC and the landowner and convene a meeting.

4068 Agenda item 10: Items of correspondence.

Welsh Government:

1. None

Monmouthshire County Council:

2. Closure of Llanfair Kilgeddin VA School
3. Tree preservation order – Idlebrook, Station Road, Raglan

Other Correspondence:

4. Nat West Bank confirmation of signatures
5. Auditor General – New audit approach
6. Councils external audit return
7. Came & Co news letter

By Email:

8. Press release relating to volunteers and friends of Monmouthshire countryside services
9. MCC enforcement
10. MHA regarding St Cadocs Court application
11. MCC renewal of membership to the Governing Body of Raglan School
12. OVW/SLCC joint meeting June 2016
13. OVW AGM Motions
14. Gwent Police Survey
15. OVW Training skills
16. OVW consultation on the timing of the area meeting
17. MHA letting policy
18. Cllr Ewen Brierley regarding planning app DC/2016/00378
19. Wellbeing of Future Generations Act

Item 11 within the correspondence the re-election of a co-opted member to the school governors. It was:

Proposed: by Cllr Compton seconded by Cllr P Jones that Cllr H Williams is re-elected.

Members noted the above correspondence

4069 Agenda item 11: Clerk reports

The clerk had no further reports

Agenda item 12: Reports from members on outside bodies.

Cllr T Phillips gave members a verbal report regarding the code of conduct. The clerk informed members the code of conduct will be presented to members at the AGM.

4070 Agenda item 13: Reports from the County Councillor

Cllr P Jones informed members that she had received a number of concerns about the street lighting in the new car park. Cllr Jones explained the lights are on a timer and the lighting columns are illuminated around 4.30am in the morning.

Cllr Jones also thanked members for the sympathy card and flowers the clerk delivered following the passing of her mother.

4071 The Chairman thanked everyone for attending. The meeting closed at 8.53 pm. The date of the next meeting 25 May 2016

Signed by _____
Chairman Cllr
Date 25 May 2016