

Raglan Community Council
Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday
23 June 2021, this meeting was conducted electronically
at 7.00 pm

Present

Cllr Dave Bevan
Cllr Martine Dorey
Cllr Charlotte Exton
Cllr Richard Moorby
Cllr Penny Jones

Cllr Adrian Merrett (Chairman)
Cllr Helen Tilley
Cllr Brian Willott
Cllr Hazel Leacock

4945 In attendance:

Adrian Edwards, Clerk to the Council
One resident

4946 Agenda item 1:- Apologies for absence

Cllr Lynne Eilertsen due to family commitments

4947 Agenda item 2:- Declarations of interest.

No declarations of interest were submitted, but members will make a declaration when and identified under the relevant minute.

4948 Agenda item 3:- To receive and adopt the minutes from the AGM, held on 26 May 2021;

Proposed: by Cllr Moorby seconded by Cllr Jones that the minutes are accepted.

All those present agreed

4949 Agenda item 4:- To receive and adopt the minutes from the Ordinary meeting, held on 26 May 2021;

Proposed: by Cllr Leacock seconded by Cllr Tilley that the minutes are accepted.

All those present agreed

4950 Agenda item 5:- Matters to report.

Cllr Dorey is still willing to accept the co-option to the school governing body.

4951 Agenda item 6:- Consider the notes from the Task & Finish Group meeting 8th June 2021;

Members noted the notes from the Task & Finish Group meeting with Gwehelog Fawr Community Council. The chair explained that several issues were raised, one been the employment of the Clerk from Gwehelog Community Council. Cllr Moorby believes it's for Gwehelog Community Council to deal with and administer the Contract of Employment for their current employee. It was noted the next group meeting will be on the 23 September 2021.

All those present accepted the notes

4952 Agenda item 7:- Consider the notes from the Task & Finish Group meeting 9th June 2021;

The Clerk explained that a full report will be presented to one of the following council meetings after the Task & Finish group have met at Llandenny and costings and other reports have been received.

The Chairman asked about the MUGA and the adjoining field. It was explained that Community Council has been in contact with Monmouthshire County Council since 2012 relating to the transfer of the MUGA and field. A discussion took place with a wide range of views being expressed by members. After some debate it was:

Proposed: that this should be reconsidered, and Monmouthshire County Council contacted for an update.

All those present noted the comment by the Clerk

4953 Agenda item 8:- Consider any reports from the Clerk;

The Clerk gave a verbal report relating to dog waste in the community. He explained that the contractor has informed the Community Council that the prices would be increasing by around 45% with immediate effect. Several Councillors expressed concern and a wide and varied discussion took place with several members expressing strong views. After some debate it was:

Proposed: that the Community Council pay the increase.

All those present agreed

4954 Agenda item 9:- Reports from the County Councillor

Cllr Jones gave members an update on several ongoing concerns in the community.

- a) Awaiting a meeting with Monmouthshire County Council Highways relating to Chepstow Road at Treworgan.
- b) Cllr Jones expressed concern over the Welsh Language Board changing the Village Name of Raglan to Rhaglan
- c) Cllr Jones explained that she had been contacted by several residents about several local matters.

A number of members asked about the cost of changing the signs around the village and all the other paperwork. It was felt that no consideration has been given to the views and thoughts of the residents. One member asked about changing the name of Raglan Castle and if CADW has been consulted.

Cllr Leacock asked Cllr Jones about reinstating public conveniences in the village. Currently there no conveniences for visitors use. A discussion took place with a range of views being expressed by members. After some debate it was:

Proposed: That the Chairman contacts the proprietor of the Beaufort Hotel to see if the conveniences are still open for the public to use.

All those present agreed

4955 Agenda item 10:- Reports from members on outside bodies

Cllr Leacock raised concern over the trees on Castle Street. Concern was expressed where one tree has split and fallen between a car and the footpath. After some debate it was:

Proposed: The Community Council should write to Monmouthshire County Council asking for the trees to be surveyed

All those present agreed

There was also some discussion over a tree planting initiative to mark Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee in 2022. A discussion took place, and it was:

Proposed: to agenda this on the next agenda for consideration.

All those present agreed

4956 Agenda item 11:- To note all correspondence sent to members electronically since the last meeting

Members noted all the correspondence send electronically

4957 **Agenda item 12:-** To agree all payments made by the council;

Members noted all the payments made on the list provided.

4958 **Agenda item 13:-** Reports from members on outside bodies;

No reports made.

The Chairman asked the resident if he would like to make observations. The resident explained it was interesting to note the way the council works, and he was expecting to submit a planning application shortly.

4959 **Agenda item 14:-** To confirm the date of the next meeting 28 July

4960 No other business was discussed, and the Chairman thanked everyone for attending. The meeting closed at 20:43 hrs.

Signed by _____

Chairman
Date 28 July 2021.

Please note: these minutes are a summary of the above meeting, and a record of the decisions or resolutions moved. These minutes are not to be taken as a verbatim record of the meeting.