

**Raglan Community Council**  
**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday**  
**23 March 2022, this meeting was conducted electronically**  
**at 7:00 pm**

**Present**

Cllr Charlotte Exton  
Cllr Lynne Eilertson  
Cllr Adrian Merrett (Chair)  
Cllr Hazel Leacock

Cllr Richard Moorby  
Cllr Helen Tilley  
Cllr Brian Willott

**5070 In attendance:**

Adrian Edwards, Clerk to the Council

**5071 Agenda item 1:- Apologies for absence**

Cllr Penny Jones, Cllr Sylvia Price

**5072 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.

**5073 Agenda item 3:- To receive and adopt the minutes from the Ordinary meeting, held on 2 March 2022**

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

**All those present agreed**

**5074 Agenda item 4:- Matters to report.**

The Clerk and Cllr Exton gave those present an update relating to minute 5060 6f) of the March minutes relating to the meeting with Raglan Festival committee. It was explained that the festival committee will be holding two events in the summer of 2022, one being the Raglan Festival and Raglan Day in mid-summer. Following some discussion with a range of views being expressed by members it was:

**Proposed** by Cllr Eilertson seconded by Cllr Tilley that a grant is awarded of £5,000, towards the Raglan Festival which will include the Queen's 70<sup>th</sup> Jubilee celebrations and consideration is given at a future meeting about awarding a grant towards the Raglan Day

**All those present agreed**

One member asked about bunting for the main street. It was

**Proposed** by Cllr Exton seconded by Cllr Leacock that bunting is obtained

**All those present agreed**

The Clerk gave those present an update relating to minute 5060 6g) and explained that the Royal Mint to date has not responded to the request for an estimated cost for a celebration coin. He explained that he has made enquiries about obtaining a different gift as he has concerns that time is running out to place a purchase order and obtain the items before the 2 June. It was proposed that he contacts the Royal Mint again and inform members.

The Clerk gave those present an update relating to minute 5060 (6h). The Community Council had received a further email from Monmouthshire County Council relating to the MUGA and adjoining field. The Clerk explained that the dates that the officer suggested have past, and due to other projects and dairy commitments, the officer suggested that a meeting is convened following the elections. It was suggested that an item is placed on Facebook about the MUGA and what would people like to see in that location.

There was some discussion around the changes to the boundaries and it was explained that OVW has engaged the services of a specialist to look at the TUPE arrangements. Cllr Willott raised a question relating to the transfer of funds and how those funds were going to be split between both successor councils. A discussion took place with a range of views being expressed by members.

**5075      Agenda item 5:-** Clerks reports verbal or written

The Clerk explained that during the pre-election period, for instance, it is unlawful for a council to delegate decision making to any individual councillor but can delegate to an officer or a subcommittee or another authority. It was explained that these next couple of months are a little different as all members will be affected by the election and the pre-election period.

The Clerk would like to confirm that members consider delegating powers to the Clerk during the pre-election period with consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair.

**Proposed:** by Cllr Merrett seconded by Cllr Moorby.

**All those present agreed**

**5076 Agenda item 6:-** The grassed triangle at the end of Llandenny which is marked and reduced by turning vehicles (Cllr P Jones)

This item was deferred until after the elections.

**5077 Agenda item 7:-** The T-junction onto the Chepstow Rd and suggestions for improved signage. (Cllr P Jones)

This item was deferred until after the elections.

**5078 Agenda item 8:-** To note all correspondence sent to members electronically since the last meeting

Members noted the correspondence that the Clerk had sent to members. Cllr Moorby explained about a number of Planning Applications that the Community Council have been asked to comment on but had no further information to add.

**5079 Agenda item 9:-** To agree all payments made by the council.

Date	Payment to	Amount	Cheque
23/3/22	Clerks (March Salary)		2245
23/3/22	Merlin Waste	210.00	2246
23/3/22	Reimbursement Clerk for stamps	40.80	2247
23/3/22	Sovereign Play Eqpt; (Llandenny)	5,795.41	2248
23/3/22	Pen-y-Clwadd Village Hall	3,500.00	2249
23/3/22	Clerks Travelling in (February)	32.04	2250

Members noted all the payments as appropriate during remote working conditions since the last meeting made on the list provided.

**Proposed** by Cllr Moorby seconded by Cllr Leacock

**5080 Agenda item 10:-** Reports from the County Councillor

The Clerk explained that Cllr Jones asked if the Clerk could read the following statement for member's interest

..colleagues are in a CCR meeting about a new phase of investment in EV charging that is available to the public. As I understand it, the project is 75% Westminster and 25% WG funded (but don't quote me on that). We have been asked to put forward a wish-list of sites. I can confirm the Raglan car park is on the list.

At present we don't know how far the funding will go, so I cannot give any guarantees

A separate bit of work is being led by Deb Hill-Howells on commissioning an EV strategy for the County, looking at our fleet, property, and depots as well as wider infrastructure such as on-street charging solutions for those who do not have driveways or garages.

I trust this update is of assistance. There is nothing to stop RCC seeking funding for EV chargers on its own land, or we may be able to include Town and Community Council properties in a future CCR phase if it is available for public use...

A discussion took place with a range of views being expressed by members. After some debate it was:

**Noted by all those present.**

**5081      Agenda item 11:-** Reports from members on outside bodies

There was some discussion relating to members on outside groups and organisations and no reports being presented to council meetings.

A discussion took place with a wide range of views being expressed by members.

It was suggested that the Clerk contacts the headteacher and enquire if members from the Community Council could convene quarterly meetings with the Headteacher and the Chair of Governors.

It was also proposed that the Leader of Monmouthshire County Council is invited to meetings.

**5082      Agenda item 12:-** To consider any dates for meetings regarding the transfer of council's duties

This item was deferred

**5083      Agenda item 13:-** To confirm the date of the next meeting 27 April 2022

A number of members raised matters that were not on the agenda for discussion. If members would like to have these items placed on the agenda they will need to contact the Clerk.

**5069**      No other business was discussed, and the Chairman thanked everyone for attending. The meeting closed at 20:35 hrs.

Signed by \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman  
Date 27 April 2022

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.