
ABER VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE ABOVE COUNCIL HELD AT SENGHENYDD COMMUNITY CENTRE AND ON MICROSOFT TEAMS ON THURSDAY 14TH JULY 2022

PRESENT:

Chairperson: J. Taylor

Councillors: D. Berry, C. Bishop, D. Bishop, D. Daniels, and E.P. Prendergast.

Clerk: J. Lloyd

69/2022 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors P. Cole, R. Gater, C. Page, J. Roberts, M. Stretch and Community Safety Warden, M. Reed.

70/2022 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillors and Officers were reminded of their personal responsibility to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interests(s) in respect of any item of business on this Agenda in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000, the Council's Constitution, and the Code of Conduct for both Councillors, Officers and Clerk.

71/2022 **PUBLIC MATTERS**

There were no public matters.

72/2022 **POLICE MATTERS**

PC. J. Michael (Gwent Police), attended the meeting and reported on the following matters:

- (i) No recent grass fires but requested that the local community remain vigilant.
- (ii) 2 reports of off-road bikes at Tyn y Parc. Added to Police diary for patrols.
- (iii) Reports of youths and ASB at Farm Close.
- (iv) Report of an external bin fire at Abertridwr Library.
- (v) Report of youths in Abertridwr Park with a BB gun, Police attended but it was later confirmed as Morgan Jones Park in Caerphilly.

- (vi) Issues with cars and youths with lurcher dogs. Youths had been arrested.
- (vii) Youth ASB in the area – no recent issues with shops.
- (viii) 'ASB' week – Joint engagement with the Police and SYDIC.

Members reported the following Police matters:

- (a) Complaints received regarding a car travelling through Thomas Street, Abertridwr, throughout the night with very loud exhaust. May be more than one vehicle. Police will investigate and add this area to their night patrol.
- (b) Damage to parked cars along King Street, Abertridwr. 4 cars were damaged with scratches. Report of children at 10.30 pm with torches under cars. Police will investigate possible CCTV or 'ring' doorbell footage in the area.
- (c) Recent post on social media regarding youth on motorbike by Senghenydd Rugby Club, driving fast in the area and without a helmet.

73/2022 **COMMUNITY SAFETY WARDEN – CAERPHILLY COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

The Community Safety Warden (CSW), Margaret Reed, was not in attendance.

74/2022 **TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 16TH JUNE 2022**

The minutes of the Community Council meeting held on 16th June 2022 were approved as a true record.

75/2022 **CLERKS REPORT**

(1) Current Financial Situation

- (a) Members received the monthly statement of accounts and an update on the current financial situation. Members discussed and approved the Community Council's accounts.

(2) Income

- (a) It was noted that no income had been received.

(3) Expenditure

- (a) Members approved the following expenditure:
 - (i) Caerphilly County Borough Council (room rental at Abertridwr Library) - £260.00.

(b) Members noted the following expenditure:

(i) Payroll – Month 03.

(ii) EE Telephone Bill (monthly direct debit) - £21.86.

(4) A.O.B

(a) Community Council Presentation Evening

Members discussed and confirmed the arrangements for the Community Council Presentation Evening to be held on Thursday 15th September 2022.

(b) Community Recognition Awards

Members received the nominations for the Community Recognition Awards and confirmed the recipients for 2022. Members agreed that recipients would receive commemorative plaques.

(5) Planning Applications

Councillor J. Taylor took no part in the discussions.

The Community Council noted the following planning application:

- (a) Case Ref. 22/0513/COU Site Area: 157m²
Location: 1 High Street Abertridwr Caerphilly CF83 4DD
Proposal: Change the use and convert rear stone building into a house

76/2022 CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

There was no report from the Chairperson.

77/2022 STANDING ORDERS

Members agreed to adopt the amended standing orders to include the reference to multi-locational meetings.

78/2022 CHRISTMAS LIGHTING 2022

Members discussed the Christmas lighting for 2022, information was still awaited on lamppost lighting availability. Members agreed for the Clerk to order the Christmas lighting as soon as possible.

79/2022 THE GREEN PLAN

Members agreed to defer this item to the next Community Council meeting on 8th September 2022.

80/2022 **MEMBERS MATTERS**

There were no Members matters reported.

81/2022 **DATE OF THE NEXT COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 8th September 2022.**

The meeting closed at 8.11 pm

Signed: _____
Chairperson
Aber Valley Community Council