



MINUTES OF MEETING

BEDLINOG & TRELEWIS **COMMUNITY COUNCIL** **MEETING**

MONDAY, 11TH SEPTEMBER, 2023

PRESENT: Community Councillor R Searl (**In the Chair**)

Community Councillors Brown, E Dawson, Jago, Matthews and Preston

Officers:

Ryan James, Clerk to the Council

In Attendance:

PC Scott Quirk

ITEM NO.	AGENDA MATTER	DECISION
479	To Receive Apologies for Absence	Apologies were received from Cllrs Ian Thomas and Jeff Beard.
480	To Receive of Declarations Personal/Prejudicial Interest	There were none.
481	To Receive Representations/Questions from the Public	There were none.

482	Meeting with the Police Representative	PC Scott Quirk was in attendance. A discussion about re-instating PACT meetings in Bedlinog and Trelewis took place. Meetings will be held once a month and alternate between Bedlinog Community Centre and Trelewis (location TBC). It was agreed that Wednesday's would be the best day, early evening so that residents at work would have an opportunity to attend. It would be beneficial to partner with NHW – Trelewis & Bedlinog District, the Clerk will contact the Chair. The anti-social behaviour at the kickabout area behind Hylton Terrace was discussed. Also, scramblers/quad that are dangerously driving through Bedlinog high Street and Colly Row – Sunday afternoons seem to be the most problematic. PC Quirk asked that we encourage residents to report this as it helps the case for additional resource to tackle the problem. Cllr Jago joined the meeting. Cllr Jago invited the Police to attend the Youth Club on Tuesday evenings if they are in the area.
483	To Approve Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held 17 July 2023	RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Council held 17 th July 2023 be approved.
484	To Receive any Matters Arising	Item 466 – MTCBC have been informed that Cllr Preston will be the Community Council representative for the Taf Bargoed Regeneration Partnership. Item 285 Trelewis MUGA – MTCBC have confirmed that there is no funding to carry out the repairs to the surface before a licence is issued to the Community Council to re-develop the MUGA. They have been approached by Welsh Water to use the land as storage area whilst they carry works out, so the income generated will be used to repair the surface. We will commence MUGA works once Welsh Water have left site. Item 469 - The Community Council were unsuccessful with their SPF application for the MUGA due to a licence not already being in place for the asset. We will re-apply for the next round of funding. Item 452 – This is ongoing with MTCBC as it is the shop owner's responsibility to keep the area outside the shop clear of litter. The Clerk will update when further information is available. Item 470 – The grant to Bedlinog RFC for the defib parts has been paid. Item 473 – Transport for Wales are in the process of obtaining funding for the repairs to the fence on club row bridge, replacing the temporary fence with a permanent one.

		Path from com centre to rec??? Item 475 – The Clerk will share a report with Cllrs from MTCBC Estates department regarding the Gabion Baskets at the rear of 56 Hylton Terrace. A report was also made regarding overgrown trees in a lane in Cherry Tree Way, MTCBC have logged a job to cut back the trees that they own and have wrote to residents that own other trees advising them to cut them back.
485	To Approve the Annual Report FY2022-23	RESOLVED that the Annual Report FY2022-23 be approved.
486	To Approve the Biodiversity S6 Report for the Community Council	RESOLVED that the Biodiversity S6 Report for the Community Council be approved.
487	To Appoint a Member Biodiversity and Allotment Champion	RESOLVED that Cllr Dawson be appointed the Member Biodiversity and Allotment Champion. Cllr Dawson invited Cllrs to Parc Nant Llwynog for a tour of the park – dates will be coordinated.
488	To Approve the Standing Orders v4.0	RESOLVED that the Standing Orders v4.0 be approved.
489	To Consider any Planning Applications published after the Agenda publication	Council considered P/23/0207 Change of use of land for storage of outdoor skips Land at Taff Bargoed Development Trust, The Old Mine, Trelewis, Treharris, CF46 6RD. Cllr Preston declared an interest as a member of the Taff Bargoed Development Trust and did not take part in the discussion. RESOLVED that whilst the application is supported consideration be raised with MTCBC regarding concerns about noise and disruption for residents on the high street, and also that the preferred land use would be for regeneration/biodiversity in the community.
490	To Receive any Community Councillor Cases	Cllr Preston attended the Stagecoach meeting with Gerald Jones MP and spoke to Stagecoach and asked if there are no buses available for residents to get home from work, and they need to pay for a taxi, are they able to be reimbursed. Stagecoach advised that they could send the invoice for reimbursement direct to Stagecoach. A letter has been provided to confirm this. Cllr Preston reported the green line along Commercial Street, and this has now been cut back. Also, Gerald Jones MP has contacted the Council regarding Taf Road – he received a response stating that it will be cut back and cleaned in October.

		Residents have contacted Cllrs Searl and Preston regarding a residential house in Bedlinog, phone calls were also received from residents yesterday afternoon. The dedicated email address for Social Services will be passed on to all Community Councillors so that if any residents contact them, they can advise them to use this email address to contact Social Services. The only involvement Community Councillors can have is to advise residents how to contact Social Services.
491	To Receive the County Councillors Report	There were no County Councillors present.
492	To Receive any Correspondence	As mentioned in item 484, a report from MTCBC Estates Department has been received regarding the gabion baskets at the rear of 56 Hylton Terrace. The Clerk will be meeting monthly with Ann Taylor, Head of Democratic Services, and Community Council Liaison Officer after Council meetings. Ann will chase any issues from MTCBC Officers that the Community Council are struggling to receive responses from. A meeting was Held with Tanya Edwards about the facilities on offer for residents at Fir Tree Centre, and Tanya has invited Community Councillors for a visit. The Clerk will coordinate dates. A Macmillan Coffee morning will be held in Bedlinog Community Centre, 10.30am-12.30pm on Saturday 23rd September.
493	To Approve Payments & Receipts for period 07-07-2023 to 05/09/2023	RESOLVED that payments and receipts for period 07/07/2023 to 05/09/2023 be approved.
494	To Approve Bank Reconciliation dated 05-09-2023	RESOLVED that the bank reconciliation dated 05/09/2023 be approved.
495	To discuss Christmas Lights 2023	Christmas trees were considered as a replacement for the lighting frames this year, but the County Councillors have advised that they are looking to place trees in Bedlinog and Trelewis this year, so the Community Council will go ahead with the lighting frames so not to duplicate. These have been booked with the contractor for installation at the end of November. Arrangements will also be made for a Christmas Fayre.
496	To Note the Date of Next Meeting	The next meeting will be held Monday 9 th October 2023, 6.15pm via Microsoft Teams.