

COEDFFRANC COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council Meeting held on 28th May 2014 at Carnegie Hall.

Attendance: Cllrs APH Davies, DK Davies, R Didcote, P Bebell, H Bebell, JS Jones, M Harvey, P Davies, J Thomas.

9736: Apologies: Cllrs K Whitehead Ross, I Whitehead Ross, B Richards, HR Richards, HC Clarke, P Fellows, J Davies, A Wingrave.

9737: To receive Declarations of Interest.

Cllr P Bebell declared an interest in item 9742 as a Member of the Planning Committee. She left the room during discussions.

Cllr JS Jones declared an interest in item 9750 and left the room during discussions. Additionally, it was noted that no Member that had declared an interest in the last meeting took any part in the approval of the minutes for that meeting.

9738: To approve and sign the Minutes of Previous meetings: -

a) Council Meeting held on 7th May 2014.

Approved as a true and accurate record.

9739: Matters arising from the minutes. (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

None.

9740: To receive and approve the accounts schedule for payments and to select two account numbers for a full explanation at the next meeting.

Accounts were received in the sum of £12,044.53. Account No's 91 and 100 were selected at random for an explanation by the clerk at the next meeting. Copies of the accounts were circulated and the Clerk responded to member's queries.

9741: To receive an explanation from the Clerk concerning Account No's: 64 and 90.

The Clerk provided explanations, which were accepted by the Council.

9742: Planning Applications: -

P2014/0423 – variation of condition 2 (surface water drainage scheme) of Planning Permission P2012/0171. Land rear of 102 Crymlyn Road, Skewen. (Applicant – Mr J Hale – Hale Homes).

Observation that the revised drainage scheme should not be detrimental to any adjoining properties.

P2014/0327 – Front Porch. 22 New Road, Jersey Marine. (Applicant – Mr Royle, 22, New Road, Jersey Marine).

No observations.

9743: To receive a report from any Member concerning meetings at which he or she represented the Council.

The Members thanked Cllr A Wingrave for a very enjoyable evening at the Annual Chair's Dinner.

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9744: To discuss/approve the Annual Policy Risk Schedule.

The Members discussed the issue.

Resolved: That the Annual Policy Risk Schedule is approved.

9745: To discuss/approve the Annual Investment Strategy (copy enclosed).

The Members discussed the issue.

Resolved: That the Annual Investment Strategy is approved.

9746: To discuss/approve the Annual Accounts for 2013/14 (copy enclosed).

The Members discussed the issue.

Resolved: That the Annual Accounts for 2013/14 are approved.

9747: To discuss/approve the Annual Return for 2013/14 (copy enclosed).

The Members discussed the issue.

Resolved: That the Annual Return for 2013/14 is approved.

9748: To discuss/approve a Local Government Pensions Scheme Discretions Policy and list of Discretions.

The Members discussed the issue.

Resolved: That the Local Government Pensions Scheme Discretions are approved.

9749: To receive information from Abertawe Bro Morgannwg Health Board regarding "Concerns Clinics" for Neath Port Talbot.

Cllr P Bebell reported on the service being provided. The information was noted by the Members.

9750: To receive a request from Neath Young Farmers to have use of the Councils halls free of charge.

The Members discussed the request.

The Clerk suggested that a minimum of two persons over the age of 21 should be present at any booking to supervise the session.

Resolved: That a 6 month trial period is approved free of charge, with the bookings to fit in around all the other regular and party bookings. A minimum of two named adults over the age of 21 should be present at any booking to supervise the session.

9751: To receive an invitation to participate in the Royal Air Force Battle of Britain Parade to be held on Sunday 14th September 2014.

The information was noted by the Members.

Cllr APH Davies to attend along with any other Member who wishes to attend.

9752: To receive an update from the Clerk regarding the request from South Wales Police, for the Community Council to provide suitable accommodation for their Officers to work from in the event of Skewen Police Station closing down.

The item was deferred pending further information.

9753: To receive a request from Skewen Cricket Club for Financial Assistance.

The Members discussed the request.

Resolved: That a donation of £150.00 is approved.

9754: To receive a Consultation Document on "Access to Information on Community and Town Councils" and respond if appropriate.

The information was noted by the Members.

9755: To receive notification of the One Voice Wales Larger Councils Conference to be held on 9th July 2014 at the Royal Welsh Showground.

The information was noted by the Members.

9756: To receive information from the Planning Inspectorate regarding the Swansea Tidal Lagoon.

The information was noted by the Members.

9757: To receive a Statutory Notice published by NPTCBC regarding changes to schools within the Borough.

The information was noted by the Members.

9758: To remind the Members that the Clerk will not be present at the next Council Meeting on June 4th as she will be on a Training Course. Additionally, to remind Members that only the legislative items will be on the Agenda, and that the Clerical Assistant will be taking the minutes for the meeting.

The Members discussed a request from the Clerk to suspend Standing Orders to cancel the meeting for the 4th June as the Clerical Assistant would not be able to attend.

Resolved: That Standing Orders are suspended and the Meeting due to be held on 4th June will be cancelled.

9759: Correspondence.

None.

9760: To resolve to exclude the public for the following item pursuant to Regulation 4 (3) and (5) of Statutory Instrument 2001 No. 2290 and Paragraph 15 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

Resolved: That the press and public are removed from the Meeting.

9761: To receive an update from the Clerk regarding the ongoing issue for the Lease for Jersey Marine Community Centre.

The Clerk informed the Members that she had not received a response from Mr Rob Hay, but that Cllr A Wingrave had been given information, that as yet had not been forwarded on to her, and therefore, requested that the item is deferred until the next meeting.

9762: To receive an update from the Clerk regarding the legal issues surrounding the outstanding Section 106 Agreement money.

The Clerk provided an update on the situation.

Resolved: That Cllr H Bebell arranges a meeting with NPTCBC.

**Cllr APH Davies
Chair**