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Minutes of the Council Meeting held 18<sup>th</sup> February 2021  
(by Zoom; the meeting was recorded)

Present: Cllrs. DT. Oliver (chair), JC. Bird, MR. Harvey, C. Frost, K. Jones, I. Moody, R. Tanner, C. Thomas, M. Tucker, R Sexton, J. Williams.

- 1) Apologies received from C. Harlow

Cllr J. Williams was welcomed by the Chair to the Council.

- 2) Interests were declared by Cllrs. M. Harvey and J. Williams with regards to the Wenvoe Community Library Ltd.
- 3) The minutes of the Council meeting on 21/01/2021 were approved.
- 4) There was no report on police matters, however the Chair shared information from SW Police crime map website <https://www.police.uk/pu/your-area/south-wales-police/wenvoe/?tab=CrimeMap>. The latest statistics were for December 2020 where 6 crimes were reported in Wenvoe.
- 5) Planning applications were considered as follows:

- 2021/00125 77 Burdons Close: No objection
- 2021/00114 Whitehall Quarry: Request for extn accepted
- 2021/00075 Land West of St Lythams: Application supported
- 2021/00075/LAW Await VoG Council decision
- 2020/00140 Maytime, Port Road: No objection

Planning updates:

- 2020/01552 Walston Road: TPO application: Approved
- 2020/01433 Grange Avenue: Approved

- 2020/01577 & 01578 8 Walston Road: no objection (minor change to earlier consent)
- 2020/01435 16 Heol Draenen Wen: Approved
- 2020/01473 Heol Collen: Approved
- 2020/01305 Springfield Stores & PO: Approved
- 2020/00901 61 Walston Road: Approved

#### 6) Finance and payment of accounts 2020/21

- a) Cash book – there was limited information for the meeting. The current balance is £66k.
- b) The minutes of the finance meeting on 14 January 2021 were accepted by WCC, having previously approved the precept and budget.

#### 7) Capital Projects

- a) Library building update. Planning consent arrived during the meeting.
- b) Excess S106 funds – no further updates
- c) Repair of community centre windows. 2 quotes obtained to date to repair and restore the windows. Enquiries ongoing to find a suitable contractor. Discussion regarding if there is a grant to assist with the costs.

- 8) Letter from VoG dated 8/02/2021 concerning S106 funding for the library building will be signed off by the Chair on behalf of WCC and included in the response VoG to be advised in the following :
  - In relation to 2.2.10 and 2.2.12 - to request contractors invoice WCC as early as possible to allow time for transfer of funds from VoG Council to WCC to pay the contractors.
  - WCC will allow a float for VAT payments on invoices however in view of WCC being a small Council there is limited resource.
  - 2.2.8 – Wenvoe library have agreed to be responsible for the annual reports

#### 9) Action over fly-tipping.

An article will be published in next months 'Wenvoe What's On' regarding fly tipping and the various methods of reporting. Cllr Sexton reported tyres being fly tipped repeatedly in the same area. Cllr Bird advised he would follow up to identify the responsibility to remove them. Cllr Harvey reported fly tipping next to the Quarry Gates. WCC are sending letters to the fast-food outlets at Culverhouse Cross regarding their packaging as a contributor to litter, and asking for their engagement to reduce the problem.

#### 10) Community Asset Transfer of the Quarry Road and Lower Orchid Field.

WCC have been advised that we could apply for a Community Asset Transfer to enable the land to be transferred from VoG to the management of WCC. This is the first stage of the process of fulfilling the plan for additional cemetery space with a car park. The latter would also provide access to the Upper Orchid Field. Discussion followed regarding the suitability of this site, the ongoing costs and liability. It was

agreed that additional cemetery space is needed in view of the growing population. It was decided that WCC would undertake a project this year to review other options. Cllr Moody agreed to provide a study update of the cemetery capacity.

11) No urgent matters.

12) Health & Safety Matters:

The Chair updated on the installation of a defibrillator at the entrance to Cambrian Park. The Park owner is seeking advice from his insurance company.

Cllr Tucker reported the footpath between the Beech Tree and St. Lythams estate is virtually not usable due to flooding which originated from the estates groundworks. The Chair has written to VoG to advise of the ongoing issue.

13) Reports

- Cllr Harvey reported communication awaited from VoG regarding the Hedge next to the Community Centre.
- Cllr. Bird advised the drains and gullies in the village had been emptied.
- Cllr. Moody raised a couple of points: there was a survey of the roads in the village and no one could offer any further information about it and secondly in recent months there has been an increase in the number of 'fly posters' in the village and surrounding area, regarding missing pets. Cllr Bird advised VoG do not support them and generally remove them.
- Cllr Harvey noted in the Boundary Commission Report that St Nicholas and Bonvilston will join Llancarfen to form a new ward. Cllr Bird and the Chair endorsed it.

14) Council Correspondence and Communications

- Feedback from Mrs. P Hallett who observed the January WCC meeting in line with the Democratic and Scrutiny Services Standards Committee resolution that Independent Members continue to undertake observations of up to three meetings each year. The comments were that Council members were respectful and there was a fairly positive approach. Improvements could be made regarding the administration content on the Council website and ensuring all Cllr's names are displayed on zoom meetings.
- There will be an advert in next month's Wenvoe What's On for clerical support for the Clerk.
- There were 2 applicants for the grass cutting contract. Cllr Moody proposed to renew the current grass cutter and this was agreed.
- The planners for the Solar Panel Farm on The Downs have offered to give WCC a presentation. WCC have accepted and will request for the April meeting.
- Land Registry are proposing that all public land is to be registered by 2025. They are issuing a survey regarding attitudes to land registration.

15) Next meeting will be on March 18<sup>th</sup>; meeting closed at 21.09.