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Minutes of Council Meeting Held on 21 March 2024

Present: Cllr J Williams (Chair) Cllr S Milliner (Vice Chair), Cllr C Thomas, Cllr P Freeman, Cllr R Jervis, Cllr P Gaughan, Cllr J Crockford, D Barrett-Plows, Clerk to the Council

Also present: Mr P Ensor, Mr J Hutchings, Ms L Jones & Mr J Houston representing Welsh Water and numerous members of the public.

1. **Apologies:** Cllr R Sexton & Cllr R Godfrey – prior commitments. Apologies were accepted by Council.
2. **Declarations of Interest under the Council's Code of Conduct:**
Cllr J Williams & Cllr M Harvey– Library/Hub
Cllr J Crockford – Planning Application & Grounds Contract
3. The minutes of the meeting held of 15 February 2024 were approved and signed by Chair.
4. The Chair welcomed the Welsh Water representatives to the meeting. Council were informed of in depth details in relation to the replacement water pipes from Wenvoe Reservoir to Waycock Cross, Barry, going through Twyn yr Odyn playing field and were also informed that pre-engagement with Land Owners and members of the public had been positive. Welsh Water recommended Wenvoe Community Council to appoint a Land Agency to liaise with Welsh Water re the playing field. Clerk to action. Works are currently proposed to commence June 2024 and any updates will be provided to the Clerk to the Council. Chair thanked the guests for the information they had provided and for answering the questions put to them.
Welsh Water representatives left the meeting at 8.00pm.
5. **Public participation:**
Planning – Several members of the public voiced their concerns and objections in relation to two planning applications. Wenvoe Community Council do not have any authority over the Vale of Glamorgan planning department and recommended that members of the public to continue to liaise directly with them.

6. There were 8 Crime/ASB incidents through address search Wenvoe for the period 09.02.2024 – 13.03.2024 – occurrences of note were:
- a. 2 x Theft – Culverhouse Cross Retail Park
 - b. 1 x ASB – Culverhouse Cross Retail Park
 - c. Suspicious male checking cars – St Lythans/Culverhouse Cross
 - d. Damage – St Lythans/Culverhouse Cross
 - e. Scam Caller – St Lythans/Culverhouse Cross
 - f. Theft of hedging – St Lythans/Culverhouse Cross
 - g. Theft from garden – St Lythans/Culverhouse Cross

7. Planning:

New Planning Applications

2024/00001/DNS	Land East of Dyffryn, approximately 5 km North-West of Barry Town Centre (Parc Worlton) Proposed Solar Farm with an installed generation capacity of 42MW and associated ancillary infrastructure, including a 132 kV substation (CAS-02112-T2N0G8)	Objection
	Applicant: Lightrock Power Limited	

Previously Reported Planning Applications

2024/00011/FUL (HM)	Land outside 9 Rectory Close, Wenvoe Provision of external stairlift to provide/enable disabled access to property from footway/highway	No objection
2024/00078/FUL (HUD)	18 Harlech Road, Wenvoe Single storey rear extension within permitted development guidelines	No objection
2023/01123/FUL	Tunnelside Yard, Snell Yard Wenvoe Proposed change of use from agricultural land To proposed caravan suite for touring caravans and motorhomes (no static caravans) Applicant: Mr Steven Reynolds	No objection Awaiting decision
2023/01130/FUL	Xanadu, 41 Old Port Road, Wenvoe Demolish existing conservatory to build rear two storey extension. Addition of a dormer to the front room. Demolition and rebuild of garage with extension over Applicant: Mr & Mrs Perret	Approved 19.02.2024

2023/01163/ADV	Unit H, Valegate Retail Park, Culverhouse Cross Advertisement application Miss Victoria Sharp, Card Factory	No objection Awaiting decision
2023/00373/OUT	Upper House, Pound Lane, Wenvoe Proposed two- bedroom bungalow Applicant: Mr Roger Bentley	No objection Awaiting decision
2021/00075/FUL (ANH)	Land West of St Lythans Two livestock buildings with access from highway Applicant: Mr John Crockford	No objection Awaiting decision
2023/00374/FUL (HW)	Dyffryn Springs, St Lythans Road, Dyffryn Retention of replacement marquee for wedding and Entertainment functions Applicant: Mr Jonathan Bird	No Objection Awaiting decision
2023/01215/FUL (GW)	Land adjacent to Hawthorn Cottage, Twyn yr Odyn To vary/remove conditions 1,2,3 and 9, Condition 1 – occupation, 2 – time period, 3 – time period and 9 – vehicle on site of planning application 2013/00857/FUL – The use of land for the stationing of caravans for residential purposes for 1 no gypsy pitch together with the formation of additional hard standing and utility/dayroom ancillary to that use – Allowed on Appeal	Objection

7. Finance and payment of accounts:

- a. 1-29 February cashbook shared and approved
- b. Payment Schedule - approved payments:-
 - i. Audit Wales – External Audit Charges for 2020/2021 - £663.00
 - ii. Vale of Glamorgan – Green Garden Waste Bags - £22.00
 - iii. Banner Business Solutions – Office Stationery - £103.67
 - iv. Councillors remuneration - various
 - v. One Voice Wales – annual membership 01.04.2024-31.03.2025 - £529.00
 - vi. One additional payment was agreed:
Cardiff & Vale Blinds – Blinds fitted to small meeting room - £450.00

8. Other projects and responsibilities:

- a. WRAC – Cllr P Freeman informed Council of matters relating to fly tipping, solar farm planning applications. WRAC meetings would be held two monthly going forward. Cllr J Williams to provide Cllr P Freeman information in relation to 2016 Community Engagement Plan.
- b. Outbuildings – hire enquiry. Clerk to respond.

- c. Guttering – front & rear of Wenvoe Community Centre – no interest to date, Council agreed to divide the list of works.
- d. Registration of land – ongoing.
- e. Footpath & Conifer Hedge – it was noted that the replacement conifer trees had been planted on land not belonging to the owner. Cllr S Milliner to contact Vale of Glamorgan Council.
- f. Smoke Alarm Quotations - it was agreed that VOG Fire & Security be awarded the contract for the installation of the smoke alarm system to WCC subject to response re recommendations.
- g. It was agreed that Council purchase the large D-Day 80th Anniversary Flag of Peace. Clerk to action.
- h. Council agreed that a one off contribution in the sum of £500.00 to be payable to Wenvoe What's On to help with the production of the monthly magazine.

Cllr J Crockford left the meeting for the Grounds Contract to be discussed.

- i. After careful consideration of three Quotations Council unanimously agreed to award the Grounds Contract to J Crockford.

Cllr J Crockford rejoined the meeting.

- j. Projector – Wenvoe Library/Hub – Chair handed this matter to Vice Chair S Milliner. Council granted permission for the installation of a ceiling suspended projector and screen.

Chair re-took the meeting.

10. Any matters the Chairman decide are urgent:

None.

11. To receive reports from Chairman, Clerk & Members:

- a. Chair informed Council that Part II would be on the April Agenda.
- b. Cllr R Jervis informed Council that he will contact a stonemason to look at the war memorial in relation to renovation works that are necessary.
- c. Cllr N Gater informed Council that there appears to be an increased presence of the Police in the village.
- c. Cllr P Freeman enquired as to whether there are grants available for IT equipment, i.e., Laptop, Projector, Audio equipment to enable Council to hold multi-location meetings. Clerk to action.
- d. Cllr C Thomas reported the poor condition of the perspex to the noticeboard at Wenvoe Community Centre. Cllr C Thomas and Clerk to action.

Meeting ended 10.00pm

Next meeting Thursday 18 April 2024

It was noted that Cllr M Harvey and Cllr N Gater were also present at the meeting.