



Bargoed Town Council

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Minutes of the Full Council Meeting 25th February 2021.

Present: Councillors R Carroll; J Halvey; J Bissex; D Price; H Llewellyn; A Higgs;
D Morgan; L Harding; J Davies.

Also in Attendance: Mrs H Williams, Town Clerk

Meeting Chairman: Councillor R Carroll, Mayor

Apologies for Absence

Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972 requires a record to be kept of the members present and that this record form part of the minutes of the meeting. Members who cannot attend a meeting should tender apologies to the Clerk.

Councillor S Hamer-Thomas; Councillor A Collis; Councillor S Horton.

1. To consider the Local Government Act 1972 s85(1), the six-month disqualification rule, in respect of continued Member absence.

RESOLVED to continue to waive the six-month rule in respect of Councillor Hamer-Thomas.

Declaration of interests or dispensations on any item(s) on this Agenda, if appropriate.

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

Councillor Harding declared an interest in Planning.

Councillor Higgs declared an interest in Planning.

2. To receive and approve the minutes of the reconvened Full Council meeting 3rd February 2021.

RESOLVED to accept the minutes. Mayor signed the minutes in the presence of co-council.

3. To receive an update on minute ref 3/02/21-09 in respect of Urdd National Eisteddfod.

Councillor Davies confirmed the event having been cancelled for 2021.

4. To receive information from South Wales Education Achievement Service, and appoint Town Council representatives to the following:

Council RESOLVED the following:

- a. Aberbargoed Primary School – Councillor Halvey appointed
- b. St Gwladys Primary School – revisit at future meeting of council
- c. Gylfach Fargod & Park Federation Primary School – Councillor Hamer-Thomas
- d. Ysgol Bro Sannan Primary School – revisit at future meeting of council
- e. Aneurin Bevan Community Health Council – Councillor Morgan appointed

5. To receive a verbal report from the Mayor and consider expenditure for the Community Orchard.

The Mayor advised Members that CCBC officers will attend a post lockdown meeting of council to discuss town centre management.

Members were updated on the tree donations for the community orchard. Members RESOLVED to retrospectively authorise expenditure of £96.99 for stakes and ties.

[LGA 2000 Power of Well-being]

Mayor confirmed the total value of the assets transferred to the surplus list as instructed by council at the previous meeting £3,514.13 – updated asset list circulated to all Members.

6. Items from the Clerk/RFO:

- a. To receive, consider and authorise the bank reconciliation and payments list
RESOLVED to accept the bank reconciliation and approve the payments list. Mayor signed both documents. Payments approved; SLCC £90; Festive Lighting £5,412.48; Festive Lighting £432.00; Stationery & Ink £115.15; SLCC £166; Member Training £30; SLCC £54; Mobile phone £12; Salary & related costs £1687.08; Member Allowances £725.
- b. To appoint two additional bank signatories
RESOLVED to appoint Councillor Davies and Councillor Bissex.
- c. To authorise Member training expenditure
RESOLVED to delegate management of Member training bookings, within approved budget to the Clerk.
- d. To consider a proposal regarding the 9 LED Balls deemed surplus to requirements
Members considered the lack of interest in the surplus LED Balls and RESOLVED to accept £450. Clerk to liaise with the contractor regarding collection.
- e. To consider expenditure in respect of a Member proposal regarding the casual vacancy.
RESOLVED no further action.

7. To discuss long term planning, potential storage solutions and consider recent communication from the office of the Senedd in respect of Bargoed hub locations.

RESOLVED to instruct the Clerk to liaise with the office of the Senedd and to make enquiries with estate agent.

Councillor Price declared an interest in item 8 and left the meeting prior to the item being discussed.

8. To consider the casual vacancy at the Bargoed Ward.

RESOLVED to consider the vacancy at the next meeting of council.

The Clerk telephoned Councillor Price for the Member to return to the meeting prior to item 9 being considered by Council.

9. To receive a statistical report and provide a Town Council response to the continued justification of CCTV in the Aberbargoed ward.

Council RESOLVED to support the continued use of CCTV in the Aberbargoed ward.

10. Other items (as circulated to Members electronically):

- a. Review of the Remuneration Framework for Community and Town Councils – not at this current time.
- b. Fusion Network Co-ordinator (Torfaen & Caerphilly) request – no recommendations
- c. Aneurin Bevan Community Health Council Facetime buddy scheme for inpatients - noted
- d. Future Wales national plan 2040 and Planning Policy Wales edition 11 - noted
- e. Local Government Pension Fund – Gwent employer news January 2021 - noted
- f. Tarraggan educational garden newsletter - noted
- g. Patient survey for the Nevill Hall Radiotherapy Satellite Centre - noted
- h. Welsh Government Electoral Reform newsletter January 2021 - noted

11. To receive planning applications:

Councillors Harding and Higgs left the meeting prior to item 11 being considered.

Case Ref. 21/0080/FULL **Site Area:** 455m²
Location: 45 Sannan Street Aberbargoed Bargoed CF81 9BH (UPRN 000043003401)
Proposal: Erect two storey side and rear extension with associated off street car parking
Case Officer: Jacob Cooke ☎ 01443 864347 ✉ cookej1@caerphilly.gov.uk
Ward: Aberbargoed **Map Ref:** 315554 (E) 200493 (N)

Community Council: Bargoed Town Council

Expected Decision Level: Delegated

Neighbours views.

Case Ref. 21/0102/FULL **Site Area:** 230m²
Location: 35 The White Road Aberbargoed Bargoed CF81 9EE (UPRN 000043172479)
Proposal: Erect single storey side and front extension
Case Officer: Elizabeth Rowley ☎ 01443 864776 ✉ rowlee@caerphilly.gov.uk
Ward: Aberbargoed **Map Ref:** 316038 (E) 200341 (N)

Community Council: Bargoed Town Council

Expected Decision Level: Delegated

Neighbours views.

Case Ref. 21/0061/FULL **Site Area:** 488m²
Location: George Hotel 171-175 Commercial Street Aberbargoed Bargoed CF81 9FG
(UPRN 000043032874)
Proposal: Erect a single-storey extension to rear of property for a utility room
Case Officer: Mike Jones ☎ 01443 864528 📧 jonesm5@caerphilly.gov.uk
Ward: Aberbargoed **Map Ref:** 315747 (E) 199604 (N)

Community Council: Bargoed Town Council

Expected Decision Level: Delegated

Neighbours views.

Case Ref. 21/0027/FULL **Site Area:** 1287m²
Location: Ty Agored Park Drive Bargoed CF81 8PJ (UPRN 000043089107)
Proposal: Erect detached garage
Case Officer: Mike Jones ☎ 01443 864528 📧 jonesm5@caerphilly.gov.uk
Ward: Bargoed **Map Ref:** 314636 (E) 199089 (N)

Community Council: Bargoed Town Council

Expected Decision Level: Delegated

Neighbours views.

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 24th March 2021.

Signed: _____ Date: _____