

Minutes of the Meeting of the St Nicholas with Bonvilston Community Council, on Monday 6th July 2021 at 19:30.

The meeting was held remotely in accordance with the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Meetings) (Wales) Regulations 2020.

Present: Chairman: Councillor Ian Perry.

Councillors: Phillip Moss, Gill Rawson and Maddy Sims

(At 19.30, the meeting was not quorate, there were technical issues which delayed the presentation. A fourth Member of the Community Council joined the meeting, and quorum was achieved, and the

meeting began. A further issue meant that a Member was unable to be

heard, quorum was lost, so the meeting was closed.)

In Attendance: Jackie Griffin, Locum Clerk

Mr G Howell, MAR (Minor Authority Representative) of St

Nicholas CIW School.

Stuart Homewood, RAW Energy

Item 1: Chairman's Welcome and Introductions.

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting and introduced the

Members of the Public in attendance.

Item 2: To receive Apologies for Absence.

Councillors: Andrew Brown, Sam Cockrell and Jane Griffiths.

Item 3: To receive Declarations of Interest.

None.

Item 4: Co-option of Member(s).

No co-option took place.

Item 5: Police Matters.

06/06/2021.

Old Post Inn – Vehicle in a bush – No offences and vehicle recovered.

07/06/2021.

Section 59 – ASB in a vehicle, driving through St Nicholas Village at speed and without due care.

07/06/2021.

Reported Burglary – Sycamore Farm – Resulted in it being a civil

dispute.

29/06/2021.

Possible Breach of Covid travel regulations – St Nicholas Village No offences discovered after visit.

29/06/2021.

Lead stolen from Old Post Inn, Bonvilston. Sometime between 21st-29th June -No CCTV.

There were 55 Police contacts created for the Wenvoe Ward (this includes Culver House Cross, St Nicholas and Bonvilston) for June. These can be anything from unpaid speeding fines for people caught speeding through the ward to more serious crime reports.

Item 6: Update from Quintas Energy on Whitton Mawr Solar Farm.

- The project at Whitton Mawr which was completed in 2017 is successful; it is in good condition and well built. The electrical equipment is well maintained.
- Owned by Ingeneous (sold to that company by Cenin Developers after construction).
- Performance 2020 produced 5428 megawatt hours per year enough to provide power for 1300 houses per year.
- A planning application has been submitted to the Vale of Glamorgan Council to extend the life the site from 25 years to 40 years as the equipment is in good condition and the site is performing well.
- Site gets a government tariff and sells electricity produced.
- A Member of the Council queried the profitability of the site and what can be provided to the Community in terms of 'Community Benefit'.
- Numbers could be illustrated after the meeting.
- Tariffs reduced to 20 years and will end then.
- No financial benefit to the Community at this stage, as the project is on private land.
- First solar farms in the UK did pay Community Benefit as they were on a higher tariff.
- This is not the case now.

Item 7: Vale of Glamorgan Council Matters.

- 7.1 Licensing Public Protection Bonvilston.
 It was reported that the application for 'Village Green' status was unsuccessful.
- 7.2 Disposal of small areas of land.

It was reported that the Vale of Glamorgan Council has released small parcels of land for sale that were unsuitable for development.

- 7.3 Leisure Management Contract.
 It was recognised that the Leisure Centres are run by private companies.
- 7.4 Aberthin and Peterston-Super-Ely 20mph speed limit.

It was reported that some villages are successful in getting 20mph speed limits installed but the speed limit in Bonvilston is still 40mph. Councillor Perry is attempting to obtain costings from the Vale of Glamorgan Council.

7.5 Drop Kerbs.

Currently being installed with costs coming from S106 monies.

7.6 Gardens. West-bound bus stop provision at Sycamore Cross for Cottrell

At this point in the meeting, it was impossible to carry on with the business of the meeting due to I.T. related issues which resulted in the meeting not being quorate.

These Minutes were approved at the meeting of September 6, 2021

Cllr Ian Perry

Chair