

Minutes 21st May 2025 Extraordinary Meeting

In attendance:

Cllr(s) Ian Perry (Chair), Greg Ward, Kate Reid, Ivan Forcada, Rebecca Hunt, Geoffrey Howell, Matt Hinton, Maria Farkasovska, and Caroline Volrath.

There were 3 members of the public in attendance

It was noted that a member had not received the paperwork.

The advice from the SLCC was reviewed by the Chair, which clarified if the meeting could go ahead considering the above.

Agenda

1. Chair's welcome and introduction

Those present were welcomed by the Chair.

2. To accept apologies for absence

There were no apologies received.

3. To receive declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4. To approve minutes

a. Meeting of February 27 Some edits were suggested Cllr Perry proposed to accept the minutes, Cllr Volrath seconded, the February minutes were approved.

b. Meeting of April 3 - Cllrs had not had the opportunity to read these minutes, Cllr Perry proposed to accept the minutes, there was no seconder, the minutes were not approved. Cllr Hinton proposed to defer the minutes, seconded, approved.

c. Extraordinary meeting of April 10, Cllr Perry proposed to accept, Cllr Hinton proposed to defer the minutes to be reviewed at a later date, this was seconded and approved.

5. To consider financial matters

a. To approve end of year accounts statement and Annual Return for 2023-24 – The reports were previously circulated, however members had not had opportunity to review them. The approval of these documents will be deferred.

b. To approve bank reconciliation for March 31, 2025

As above

c. To approve end of year accounts statement and Annual Return for 2024-25

As above

d. To confirm asset register

It was noted that the assets for the previous year need to be carried forward to this financial year.

e. To agree to begin Internal Audit for 2023-24 and 2024-25

Cllr Perry proposed to agree the internal audit, Cllr Volrath seconded, approved.

f. Payments to approve

The payments list was previously circulated.

LGRC Proposed Cllr Perry, seconded Cllr Hinton, approved.

VE Piper Proposed Cllr Perry, seconded Cllr Volrath, approved.

SLE events Proposed by Cllr Hinton to defer once the invoice is circulated.

There was a discussion on the reimbursement of the expenses submitted by Cllr Perry.

The expenses were previously circulated.

The expenses will be reviewed and discussed at a further meeting.

6. Updates on planning matters a. 1 Maes-y-Ffynnon, Bonvilston Proposed ground floor extension to the rear and side of the existing dwelling b. Earth Sheltered House, Land South of A48, Bonvilston Proposed flue 2

The planning matters were noted.

7. To consider

a. Purchase of carnival games for event to be held on June 1 – Brass and tea on the Green, Bonvilston – Sunday, June 1 – Barry Brass

Examples of the carnival games were provided. It was suggested to discuss this with members of the community to assess demand. Cllr Hinton proposed to defer this item until a public consultation had taken place. Cllr Perry proposed to purchase 5 games at a costs of maximum £1000.00, seconded Cllr Griffiths, a vote took place:

The results were as follows:

IP favour

JG favour

MH against

CV abstain

RH against

IF against

Kate against

MF against

GW against

This motion was not passed.

b. Litter pick on May 31, with volunteers offered cup of tea or coffee at the Aubrey Arms. Leaflet to promote events.

Cllr Hinton proposed to approve this, this was seconded and approved.

c. Leaflet to promote events

Cllr Hinton will obtain quotes for a leaflet distribution service.

d. Painting of grade ii listed phone box at St Nicholas

Cllr Perry proposed to paint the phone box, quotes were obtained, these were circulated with the agenda.

CV will contact the contractor to find out when they are in the area. CV proposed to agree to the £900.00 expenditure if the contractor is in the area, this was seconded and approved.

JG left the meeting at 20:48

e. Location of barrel planters

The proposed locations were discussed.

It was noted that the planters will need to be filled with compost, at a cost to council.

CV requested what three words locations for the planters.

Quotes will be obtained for flowers, up to the value of £500.00.

Proposed CV, seconded IP, approved.

8. To discuss

a. Staffing

It was reported that the new clerk will be starting at the end of May

b. Minutes management

c. Attendance of non-members

d. Matters raised by residents

e. Communication and meeting planning

f. Project lead times

Item 8 onwards was deferred to a future meeting.

9. Next meeting May 27

Meeting closed at 20:59