



Minutes

Minutes of the EGM Meeting of the St Nicholas with Bonvilston Community Council, called by Cllr Ian Perry, via video and telephone conference on Thursday 18th February 2021 at 19:30.

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

PRESENT:

Cllr I Perry (Chair), Cllr S Curien, Cllr P Moss, Cllr J Griffiths, Cllr Brown.

ALSO, PRESENT:

S. Hillman (Clerk),

1. Chairs welcome and introductions

Cllr I Perry introduces everyone and welcome Council to meeting

2. To receive apologies for absence

Cllr S Cockrell due to prior commitments, Cllr G Rawson, Cllr K Ward, Cllr C Jones

3. To receive declarations of interest

None

4. To approve the Minutes of the a. Meeting of February 3

Approved

Proposer – Cllr I Perry

Seconder – Cllr J Griffiths

5. Matters arising from the Minutes

None

6. Future Wales and Planning Policy Wales 11

Will be published on February 24th 2021.

Please look on Agenda for more Information.

7. Public participation

No members of the public attended meeting

8. To consider matters arising from resident participation

None

9. To set the precept for 2021-22

Cllr I Perry just explained the reasons for a higher Precept this year for example Christmas Trees, Clerks increased hours, need for community engagement and a Place Plan, etc. Also explained that it would still be under the average levy of Community Council's in the UK.

Cllr I Perry handed the floor over to the other Councilors for discussions and approval.

Cllr P Moss – explained why he didn't support the size of the increase.

Cllr A Brown said that he didn't have an issue with the increase by £3.25 per month, but expressed concerns that residents would not approve, and also recommended altering the budget.

Cllr I Perry answered Cllr P Moss about the justification of the increase.

Cllr P Moss recommended reducing increase of precept by £10,000.

Cllr A Brown recommended only having 2 Christmas trees – 1 in Bonvilston and 1 in St Nicholas.

Cllr A Brown suggested how other Members would vote.

Cllr I Perry – asked Cllr A Brown to desist in doing this.

Cllr I Perry also recommended discussing issues before meetings.

Cllr I Perry – if Community Projects budget was removed, proposals like allotments would be not around until at least 2023.



Cllr S Curien asked when engagement with Place Plan was likely to start?

Cllr I Perry – engagement will start in March: Will be difficult due to Covid19 but hopefully we will be in tier 3 soon and newsletters can go out, work will be carried out as restrictions allow.

Cllr A Brown – was concerned because COVID19 may prevent engagement occurring.

Cllr I Perry – believes differently.

Cllr I Perry, Cllr P Moss and Cllr A Brown discussed the different Community Projects that are in the pipeline over the next 5 months and the reason for the increase in the budget.

Cllr P Moss – proposed to deduct £2k off Engagement and Place Plan and Community Projects Budgets.

Cllr I Perry – explained why it would not be appreciated by residents to cut funding for Community Projects.

It was resolved to take £1k off reserves, and £1k off the Maintenance and Repairs budget – related to the Phone Box.

It was proposed and resolved to reduce the Christmas Trees budget by £1k, Community Projects by £2k Engagement and Place Plan budget by £2k.

Cllr I Perry explained what £8k of community projects could deliver.

1st Budget proposed of £34,950 by Chair - LOST

Votes:

Cllr A Brown - No

Cllr P Moss - No

Cllr J Griffiths - Yes

Cllr S Curien – No

Cllr I Perry – Yes



2nd Budget that is proposed by Chair is £32,950. - RESOLVED

Votes:

Cllr A Brown - Yes

Cllr P Moss - Yes

Cllr J Griffiths - Yes

Cllr S Curien – Yes

Cllr I Perry - Yes

10. Next meeting

March 1 2021

11. Closing remarks

Cllr I Perry – hopeful that community engagement will begin in March.

These Minutes were approved at the meeting of March 1, 2021



Cllr Ian Perry

Chair

