

St Nicholas with Bonvilston Community Council

Minutes of a Meeting of the St Nicholas with Bonvilston Community Council held at Trehill Church, St. Nicholas, on Monday 6th January 2020 at 19:30.

PRESENT: Cllr E del Torto (Vice Chair) Cllr I Perry
Cllr S Crockford Cllr K Ward
Cllr G Rawson Cllr C Jones
Cllr A Brown Cllr S Cockrell

ALSO PRESENT: N. McGarrigle (Clerk), County Cllr J. Bird
Residents Rob Thomas, Mariclare Carey-Jones and Frederick Carey-Jones

Councillor del Torto announced to the Council that Tony Harris resigned from the Community Council by email to the Clerk on Friday 3rd January 2020.

RESOLVED that: The Council agreed that Councillor del Torto would Chair the meeting.

[1] APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr Griffiths

[2] DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Cllr Crockford declared an interest in St. Nicholas School as he has been elected as a Parent Governor. Cllr Crockford to complete declaration form.

[3] TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE CHAIR: Withdrawn from the agenda.

[4] POLICE MATTERS: PCSO Summers was unable to attend the meeting tonight. The Clerk received the following crime report for December via email:

- 02.12.19 St. Nicholas Anti-social behaviour
- 12.12.19 St. Nicholas Rogue traders
- 12.12.19 Bonvilston RTC
- 13.12.19 Bonvilston RTC
- 16.12.19 Bonvilston Concerns for safety

[5] PUBLIC SESSION: Resident Rob Thomas was in attendance to share concerns in relation to the new West bound traffic light system at Sycamore Cross, A48. RT has, on several occasions, witnessed confusion between drivers when reading the filter lights which could result in a serious accident. County Councillor Bird read a response from the Vale following a recent incident at the junction. Residents Mariclare and Frederick Carey-Jones added that a family member had dash cam footage of a tractor driving through the red light in question.

[6] MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PUBLIC SESSION: Following a short discussion, the Council agreed with the residents that the issue needed reporting the Vale for further investigation.

RESOLVED that: The Clerk would make contact with M CLogg at the Vale for a response. FCJ to forward the dash cam video to the Clerk to support the concerns raised.

[7] THE MINUTES of the previous Full Council meeting held on Monday 2nd December 2019,

which had been circulated, were discussed and the following amendments agreed as raised by Councillor Perry:

- **Point 4** to read 'In addition to the crime report received from PCSO Summers, the Council discussed the recent incidents **of theft** which took place in Cae Newydd'.
- **14b** to read 'Resolved' and not 'Recommended'.
- To remove the word unanimous from the minutes.
- **Part 2** to be removed from the minutes as this section of the meeting was closed to the public.

The minutes of the meeting were confirmed and were duly signed by Councillor del Torto.

[8] MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES: Councillors had previously been circulated with a copy of the Clerk's report confirming all outcomes of actions from the previous meeting.

[9] TO RECEIVE REPORT OF THE COUNTY COUNCILLOR:

- a) There were problems with black bag and recycling collections over the Christmas period.
- b) Ongoing issues with the Five Mile Lane, as previously reported.
- c) St. Nicholas School are to submit a planning application shortly. Negotiations of the site for the new school are ongoing.

County Councillor Bird left the meeting.

[10] TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE CLERK: Councillors had previously been circulated with a copy of the Clerk's report in the meeting pack. In addition to the report, the Clerk confirmed that:

- The defibrillator training will be going ahead for the school only Wednesday 8th January 2020 at 3.45pm at St. Nicholas school.
- The Vale have been notified of TH's resignation.

[11] INVOICES & PAYMENTS TO APPROVE:

Invoices

Following the December meeting, the following payment was made to purchase an external case for the defibrillator:

- Ajuda Training Limited **804** **£420.00 (top up to previous invoice)**

Payments to Approve

- Clerks December Salary **805** **£225.85**
- School defibrillator training **806** **£360.00 (additional 15 places on 08.01.20)**

Payments made using CC bank card and by cheque during December

- Swift Print UK **£49.99 (December newsletter)**
- Ruth Evans **£34.70 (Pizza & Quiz Night Mulled Wine)**

The Council agreed they were happy with these purchases.

Prop CJ Sec SC

[12] BUDGETARY CONTROL: The Clerk confirmed that the balance of the bank account as of 31/12/19 was £15,202.76.

Receipts:

- Ruth Evans **£125.00 (Money raised at May 2019 Pizza & Quiz Night)**
- 3rd Precept Payment **£3,521.00**

The Clerk proposed to hold additional defibrillator training for the community on Saturday 18th January 2020. Cost of training per person is £20. The Council agreed to pay for up to 15 delegates which is to be taken from 'St. Nicholas Projects' and to budget for a further 15 places in the 2020/21 budget in case additional training is required.

RESOLVED that: Clerk to publish details of the proposed training on Facebook, confirm time of training with Ajuda and book Trehill with TE.

[13] NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

- 2019/01354/FUL Doghill Farm, Duffryn
- 2019/01363/FUL Maesglas, A48, Bonvilston
- 2019/01400/FUL Lincoln Cottage, 48, Bonvilston
- 2019/01420/FUL Homri Farm, Well Lane, St. Nicholas
- 2019/01431/FUL Brooklands, Brook Lane, St. Nicholas

RESOLVED that: Councillor Perry will respond to 3 of the applications and Councillor Crockford will respond to 2 of the applications. Councillor's Perry and Crockford to report back to the Clerk with all responses.

[14] CORRESPONDENCE: Councillors had previously been circulated with a copy of all correspondence in the Clerk's report. In addition to the report, the Clerk shared the following information:

- a) The 2019/2020 Electoral Registers for the St. Nicholas and Bonvilston areas have been received. Notifications to be placed on each notice board.
- b) The agenda and backing papers have been received for the OVW Area Committee Meeting on Monday 13th January 2020. Clerk to issue to Councillors.

[15] OTHER MEETINGS ATTENDED: None attended.

[16] TABLED BUSINESS:

- a) Following a short discussion, the Council agreed they were pleased with the designs presented to them in the meeting pack but they do require some further development before a final decision is to be made. It was also pointed out that the logo must read 'St. Nicholas with Bonvilston Community Council'.

RESOLVED that: Designs to be further developed and presented at the February meeting where a final decision will be made.

- b) To discuss Councillor Cockrell's offer to assist with the design of the new Community Council

website was withdrawn from the agenda prior to the meeting.

- c) Councillors had previously been circulated with a proposal from the Clerk to adopt the telephone kiosk in St. Nicholas, following a 90-day public consultation lead by BT, and convert the kiosk into a community information sharing space. The Council agreed that, in principle, the proposal is a good idea although the proposal ought to be shared with the community via Facebook for further feedback in case residents missed the consultation. Councillor Perry further suggested that the Council will need to look into the costs of maintaining a grade 2 listed building.

RESOLVED that: Clerk to publish details of the Council's proposed plans to adopt the kiosk and to look into costs of maintaining a grade 2 listed building. To be presented at the February meeting.

- d) Councillor del Torto confirmed that the Pizza & Quiz night held on 12.12.19 was a success and that feedback from residents was positive. The event helped to raise the profile of the Community Council.
- e) The Council agreed to hold an EGM on Tuesday 28th January 2020 at Trehill Church at 19:30 to set the 2020/21 budget.
- f) To consider setting a new date for the February meeting was withdrawn from the agenda.
- g) Following a short discussion of each application received for Financial Assistance, the Council agreed that further information is required from each applicant before a decision can be made.

RESOLVED that: Councillor del Torto to draft a letter for the Clerk will forward onto each applicant. Applications to be considered at the EGM on 28.01.20 once additional information has been received.

[17] **COUNCILLOR REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:** There were none.

[18] **NEXT MEETING:** will be held at **19:30** on Monday 3rd February 2020 at Trehill Hall.

This meeting closed at 21:10pm.

NAOMI MCGARRIGLE.

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Chairman

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Date