

County Borough of Caerphilly

Nelson Community Council

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL
held on Thursday 10th December at 7.00pm

Present:

Cllr. A Gray (Chairperson)
Cllr. L Lewis MBE
Cllr. G Davies
Cllr. P Baldwin
Cllr. A. Blackman
Cllr. G. Mahoney
Cllr. S Morgan
Cllr. B. Miles

Tony White (Clerk)

In attendance: No attendees

Apologies for Absence:

Cllr. K Jones

Declarations of Interest:

Cllr Sean Morgan
Nelson Community Centre Management Committee
Lease on unit within Institute Building

Cllr Pam Baldwin
Nelson Development Trust

Cllr Ann Gray
Nelson Development Trust
Relative to employee

Cllr Gill Davies
Nelson Development Trust
Caerphilly CBC Community Council Liaison

Cllr Anne Blackman
Nelson Community Centre Treasurer
Nelson Neighbourhood Watch Co-Ordinator

Apologies for Absence:

Cllr. K Jones

Apology accepted

1854. Report from the Police representative:

No Police representative in attendance

1855. Minutes:

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 12th November 2015 were Received and Approved

Minutes of the Activities Committee held on 24th November 2015 were received and approved

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1856. Matters arising from the Minutes:

Portable PA system has been purchased

Central Heating should be completed by Friday and the Plumber will look at another 2 issues within the building

Winter Newsletter completed and printed with delivery by Nelson Rugby Club (agreed £100 donation to club funds).

Letter of thanks to A Hoskins for his continued support to the Community Council plus a honorarium/ex-gratia payment of £100

Item for Summer Newsletter – achievement of Silver medal for boxing

May need Father Christmas Standby due to possible non-attendance
Cllr L Lewis to contact possible alternative
Other options – Nelson Allotments or Rugby Club

Posters for Christmas event already on display

Trainee teacher at school will also sing at event

All items purchased for event with refund to Cllr A Gray

All booking for the room will be placed on the outlook account of the NCC website and Members with microsoft outlook could be given access to the calendar. Forms to be placed in meeting room for completion by users so we have a comprehensive list of users.

Discussion with Allotments Societies deferred until January meeting as two had tendered their apologies due to non-availability – **Clerk to write confirming new arrangements**

1857. Report from the Chairman:

Cllr. A Gray (Chairperson) reported that the progress made since the activities committee in that everything was now arranged for the Christmas event on the 17th December 2015

The Chair had been invited to the Brownies and Rainbows event

The Chair had contacted a local builder to undertake urgent repairs to stop water ingress into the building.

Whilst on site he had identified other issues probably requiring repair and he had been asked to submit quotes (other builders will also be contacted to obtain comparative quotations). (**Clerk to write to determine responsibility for repairs to buildings**)

1858. Report from the Clerk:

a PLANNING

Case Ref. 15/0719/COU Site Area: 4204m²

Location: Land Adjacent To Dynevor Garage Dynevor Terrace Nelson Treharris CF46 6PD

Proposal: Retain use of land and building for car sales

Applicant: South Wales Auto Store Mr H Ludlam La Tercia Captains Hill Trelewis Treharris CF46 6BL

Case Ref. 15/1162/FULL Site Area: 412m²

Location: Co-Operative Retail Services Ltd 6-10 Commercial Street Nelson Treharris
CF46 6ND

Proposal: Install a new AC condenser, access ladder and provide redecorations to the
external elevations

Applicant: The Co-operative Group C/o Wellsfield Associates Mr David Reade 80
High Street Hadleigh Essex SS7 2PB

**b ACCOUNTS (cheque payments from 1st November 2015 to 30th November
included below) - all other transactions included on bank statement**

British Gas	244.86
D Gray Cleaner (November 2015)	68.03 (Nov. increase)
Masterfoil (Winter Newsletter)	375.00
Mazars	345.00
Zurich (H&S advice)	114.00
Elise Holland (expenses Remembrance day)	50.00
T White (Sept, Oct and November)	1029.60
HMRC	257.40

Clerk to write to Zurich regarding service provided for £114.00

c CORRESPONDANCE

The following correspondence has been received

Budget Savings Proposals (Report to Policy and Resources Scrutiny 7th
December 2015

copy previously provided ((52 pages)

Police and Crime Commissioner (consultation)

copy attached

Statutory Guidance for the Well Being and Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015

One voice Wales – Consultation response.

Inspector Muirhead (Terrorist Attacks in Paris)

copy attached

2016 Community Liaison Meeting dates

copy attached

CCBC Building Cleaning Invoice

copy attached (for opening and cleaning toilets during Eistedfodd)

Draft Local Government Bill

copy previously provided

Community Centre Management Committee (Minutes 8th December 2015)

copy attached

Additional Correspondence presented at Meeting

Buckingham Palace Garden Parry invite (declined)

Repair of Village Notice board

Cllr Blackman provided an update received from CCBC confirming the door had been re-ordered and would be fitted when delivered. It was also confirmed that the Notice board would then become the responsibility of the Community Council for maintenance/repair etc

Cllr Blackman and Cllr Morgan confirmed they would consider applications for funding from the Area Forum Budget with preference for those bids that can obtain match funding.

Clerk to write to applicants for Grant Aid

1859. To Consider update on Winter Newsletter

Covered previously – most Members had already received their copy

1860 To Consider update on Christmas Event

Covered previously – Members agreed to meet at 3-30 pm on the 17th to prepare the room.

1942 Reports from Nominated Members of External Organisations:

Cllr Miles – concerns regarding financial position with Junior School due to reduction in pupil numbers. It was suggested that increase in property numbers in the Nelson area (contained within the Local Development Plan) may assist with this issue in the longer term.

Cllr Gray – confirmed the concerts at the Junior School on Tuesday and Wednesday of the following week with the NCC Christmas event the following (Thursday 17th) . Also the Infants School Christmas event and the forthcoming retirement of the Head teacher next year from the Junior School

Cllr Blackman – The minutes of the Community Centre meeting of the 12th November would be provided when available. Cllr. Blackman and Cllr Morgan confirmed there were a variety of charge rates for use of the building.

Cllr Davies – confirmed a local resident had raised over £600 by making poppies and this would be donated to the Forces charity Forces Limbless.
Nelson Development Trust – no meeting

Cllr Morgan – There would be changes designed to speed up the Planning process and calls for site meetings must be made at the earliest possible opportunity and not wait until the formal planning meeting.
Local Development Plan would be out for consultation soon with a display in Nelson Library in the new year.

Emphasised the importance of registering children who qualify for free School Meals as it also impacts on overall budget for Schools

1844 Exempt information (no Public in attendance)

No information had been received from the previous clerk regarding HMRC submission but it was agreed that the payment for additional hours would be processed.

Cllr Gray confirmed it may be difficult to reconcile all payments this year but we would do the best we can with the information available.

Meeting Closed at 9-00 pm

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