

TINTERN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the above Council held in Tintern Village Hall on Monday 29th January 2018 at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllrs Hayward (in the chair), Cobb, Richards, County Cllr Webb and the Clerk.
Members of the Public – CSO Andrew Jones.

2415. Police Report: Attached.

2416. Public Forum: None.

2417. Apologies for absence: Cllrs Evans, Pocock, Hillard, Hoskins & Shewell.

2418. Declarations of interest: 2426 re Pavilion lean-to – Cllrs Cobb & Richards.

2419. Approval of minutes of previous meeting: Approved and signed as correct, except for minor alteration to 2409 re budget. Cllr Richards explained she did not ask for any further money to be made available, merely that the money allocated would be shown in the budget.

2420. Financial Report: BMM A/C £6,079.51, Community A/C £14,264.42. £6,614 spent to date on revenue, on capital £4,717, total £11,331.

2421. Accounts for payment: Hewelsfield & Brockweir Parish Council Training Fee £40 (Ch. No. 300041), Clerk's Salary & Expenses - £388.45 (Ch. No. 300042) – approved.

2422. Planning: DC/2018/00031 – Monks Orchard. Extend first floor balcony – recommend approval but ask that they check it is within permitted building lines.
Two outstanding queries from the planning website:- DC/2017/01208 – new sign at The Royal George Hotel. This has now been approved. DC/2017/00950 – 3 Affordable Houses. Section 106 Agreement has been drawn up and has to be signed by the applicant and MCC guaranteeing the houses will always be used as affordable dwellings. Expiry date for agreement to be signed is 7th May 2018.

2423. Updates:- Proposed Staging for Village Hall - No update.

A466 Temporary Road Closure, Tintern-Chepstow – road closure at Site 2 Livox now put back to the 19th February for up to 8 weeks. This is because of the temporary closure at Redbrook commencing 5th February. Diversions will be in place. Site 1 at Wyndcliffe closure will probably not now take place until October as MCC have to make a Habitat Regulation application to the Welsh Government.

Quayside Path – Steve Lane MCC Highways has visited and they will be removing the small length of path and resurfacing by Quayside House at the end of January. They will also look at the small damaged area further along.

Overhanging trees/hedges – Martyn Evans MCC has chased this up with operations who have the work in hand.

Lower Wireworks Car Park repairwork to potholes – reply received from Matthew Lewis, MCC 15th January saying it is still in their programme of works and hope to do it before the end of this financial year.

Cluster Meeting – Cllrs Richards & Cobb attended recent meeting on 17th January. TCC asked for the closure of the OAMH Ward to be put on the agenda. Representatives from the Trust reported that the Ward is fully utilised, ie 80% occupied. 41 from Monmouthshire, the remainder from the Gwent area. Decision to be made in March but they could not say when it will be implemented if closed.

2424. Reports from outside bodies:- Lower Wye Valley Building Preservation Trust – Meeting at The Wharf on 7th February with the Trust, Welsh Water & two Councillors.

Village Hall – Over 60's Lunch held 17th January. About 50 attended an enjoyable lunch. Quiz postponed through lack of numbers.

Llandogo School – 72 pupils in total of which 20 are from Tintern (9 in foundation year and 11 in key stage 2). As the Head Teacher was unable to attend TCC's meeting the Clerk was asked to enquire whether another member of staff could attend the February meeting. Alternatively ask for further details in time for next meeting.

St Michael's Church – no report.

2425. Reports from Sub-Committees:- Finance – no report.

2426. Pavilion Lean-to at Leytons Playing Field: Report and quote now received for £2,000 for a 21 foot second-hand container adjacent to the pavilion. Cllr Richards had raised two queries – have the owners of the Leytons Field been approached and is planning permission needed. The Clerk had emailed Martin Woodford but to date received no reply. County Cllr Webb had spoken with Nia Morrison, MCC Planning Officer and her view was that they would probably need planning permission. Cllr Cobb felt before a final decision is made whether to contribute TCC need to make it clear to the Club that they should obtain planning permission, agreement from the owners of the Leytons Field and consultation with residents.

Post-Meeting Note:- Because the response from Martin Woodford was received immediately after the meeting, and to give Councillors who did not attend the meeting the opportunity to comment, the matter is to be put on the February Agenda for further discussion. The Clerk had replied to Martin Woodford saying that before a final decision could be made all Councillors need to partake in a discussion and also asking him to find out further information re the planning position.

2427. Discuss Draft Monmouthshire Wellbeing Plan: The short questionnaire was filled in. Clerk submit it.

2428. Correspondence: Tenovus Cancer Care – request for donation. Clerk reply saying TCC will give them a donation in the 2018/19 financial year.

Mr Jim Simpson re markings on road outside Abbey Mill. Paul Keeble, MCC Highways has told them he feels the work done is compliant with the guidance and the AM markings and solid white line were agreed with the owner of Abbey Mill in order to help define the access to their land/gate. Their Traffic Engineer has risk assessed the new carriageway markings

and is satisfied this does not present a safety hazard for motorists. He feels the matter is now closed therefore. The correspondence was noted.

MCC/One Voice Wales re new Data Protection Regulations. Clerk to attend course.

When these regulations are brought into force it may be necessary to amend the Risk Assessment accordingly.

2429. Any Other Business: The Clerk & Cllr Cobb have looked at the information from the Pensions Regulator to confirm that TCC is classified as an employer who does not have to provide a pension now but does have duties. The duties are to provide the appropriate written confirmation to the employee (clerk) and to complete the Declaration of Compliance on-line.

This is being actioned.

2430. Date of next meeting: 26th February.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.10pm.

Signed Chairman

Dated