

GOETRE FAWR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT LITTLE MILL VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 23RD FEBUARY 2015

Present: Community Councillors Carol Fodden, Owen Dodd, Gareth Cuerden, Rose Thayers, Colin Deakins, Syd Welford, Robert French, Jonathan Lazenby, Roger Price

In Attendance: Clerk - Ian Blacker

Apologies: Councillors Michelle Cooper, John Kostanjevec and County Councillor Bryan Jones

		ACTION
1	<u>Meeting opened 7.30pm</u> Chairman's Remarks Chairman, Gareth Cuerden welcomed everyone to the meeting	
2	Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting Proposed by Councillor Deakins. Seconded by Councillor Cuerden	
3	Matters Arising <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Little Mill village hall play area has been cleaned by Mon CC 2. Acknowledgement received from Post Office regarding threatened closure with response due within 10 working days 3. Sports Ground application for Big Lottery Fund now with Playinnovation. Also sourcing alternative funding streams for both locations. Suggest sub-committee meeting once progress has been made with applications 4. Meeting held with Youth Offending Service Manager Barbara Cooper. Project to refresh Goytre toilets now in place. Purchase of materials to be undertaken by Council. No other costs envisaged. YOS will also litter pick in Goytre Park and dog walking area and remove graffiti from steps 5. Agreement made with Mon CC for Goytre School to place bird boxes in the park 6. Awaiting response from Mon CC regarding proposed lease renewal and extension for Community Centre 	
4	Reports <u>Monmouthshire County Council</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Green collection prices are to rise from £8 to 12 per bag <u>Little Mill Village Hall</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mole catcher to be sourced to rid park of moles 2. Young people in village would like basketball nets and back panels replaced asap. Look at possibility of replacing nets only due to proposed upgrade of sports area <u>Goytre Village Hall</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nothing to report. Meeting postponed until next week. <u>Goytre School</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No decision made on proposed boundary changes as yet. <u>Goytre Community Centre</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Awaiting response from Mon CC regarding lease. 2. Builder has looked at roof to give quote for replacement <u>Public Conveniences</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Spare internal cupboard key to be source by Clerk from Sarah Fodden 2. External and internal decoration by Youth Offending Service to be undertaken within the next 4 weeks <u>Goytre Scout Hut.</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nothing to report 	Clerk
5	Other Reports <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nothing to report 	

6	Communications 2. One Voice Wales new website launched. Councillors have been sent access details via email* 3. Communication from Mon CC regarding Consultation on Community Levy: Preliminary draft charging schedule. Deadline for responses 26 th March 2015 4. Communication from Mon CC regarding consultation on draft supplementary planning guidance documents and draft planning advice note. Deadline for responses 2 nd April 2015. Clerk to send links for both 3 and 4. 5. Notification from Highways of temporary road closure of Nant y Robwl bridge on Church Road* *Denotes Email	Clerk
7	New Defibrillator Location Sites Suggestion that we use Goytre and Little Mill village halls to locate the units. Need to establish if village halls are willing to take units at next meetings, then to advise Clerk. Alternatives the toilets in Goytre and Halfway House in Little Mill. Electricity needs to be supplied. Council agree to provide if required. Proposed by Councillor Welford. All agreed. Cost of powering unit for a year to be established by Clerk.	LMVH GVH Clerk
8	Community Council Staff Salary Review Increase Sarah Fodden by 60p per hour from February 2015. Back date from April 2014. Proposed by Councillor Dodd. Seconded by Councillor Price. Increase the Clerk by £50 per month from February 2015. Backdate from April 2014 to January 2015 by £25. Proposed by Councillor Dodd. Seconded by Councillor Thayers. To be reviewed annually. Next review February 2016	
9	Community Council Website Review General discussion regarding current website and proposal to replace. Suggestion that we create Facebook and Twitter page, for a 6 month period to see if there is any interest in the community. Councillor Cuerden would look at creating both Facebook and Twitter accounts. Proposed by Councillor Lazenby. Seconded by Councillor Deakins	
10	Planning Applications 1. DC/2015/0010 – Single storey extension to side of property and side window installation into existing living room. 8 The Stepping Stones, Goytre, NP4 0BP NO OBJECTIONS	
9	Donations 1. Home Start Monmouthshire. Grant requested towards cost of running scheme in Monmouthshire. Suggest small donation of £250.00 Proposed by Councillor Cuerden. Seconded by Councillor Dodd. Letter to be sent by Clerk requesting leaflets and posters to advertise the scheme locally.	Clerk
10	Review of Accounts 1. S Fodden £421.12* 2. Ian Blacker (Clerk) £720.00* 3. Thomas Waste Management £62.40 4. British Gas (electricity) £23.16 5. One Voice Wales membership renewal £284.00 6. External hard drive for Clerk £50.00 7. Stamps and printer paper for Clerk £20.58 8. Mon CC Little Mill play area cleaning £54.00 9. Mon CC ground maintenance contract renewal £420.24 Accounts approved Proposed by Councillor Dodd. Seconded by Councillor Welford *Annual salary review payments included	
11	Advertising Notification of new Facebook and Twitter pages for Community Council. Home Start donation by Community Council Usk and Raglan diary contributions April 2015	
12	Maintenance 1. Trees by birdcage need trimming as they pose a danger to children 2. Sweeper vans need to be followed by brush to tackle narrow paths and steps in Goytre 3. Ask County Councillor Jones to update on speed pads renewal or repair on Newtown Road 4. Weight loading on bridge on Star Road. Coping stones loose on bridge. Clerk to contact Railtrack. 5. Reply to Mon CC regarding proposed double yellow lines on Newtown Road	Clerk

	6. Mole problem in Little Mill Park. Councillor Deakins to make contact with local mole catcher. 7. Hedge cutting at Little Mill village hall notified by Mon CC 8. Style at railway line leading to Secret Garden is broken and area over grown. 9. Litter pick by along main road at Goytre. Contact Youth Service to see if they can help 10. Potholes along Capel Ed Lane still an issue. Clerk to contact Mon CC The meeting closed at 9.20	Clerk
13	Date of Next Meeting Monday 30 th March 2015	All

Chairman:

Date: