

GOETRE FAWR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT LITTLE MILL VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 2015

Present: Community Councillors Carol Fodden, Roger Howells, Owen Dodd, Gareth Cuerden, Colin Deakins, John Kostanjevec, Syd Welford

In Attendance: Clerk - Ian Blacker, County Councillor Bryan Jones

Apologies: Councillors Michelle Cooper, Jonathan Lazenby, Robert French, Roger Price, Rose Thayers

		ACTION
1	<p><u>Meeting suspended at 7.30pm</u> Ray Gooding to discuss issues surrounding the Velothon Wales 2016. The race will not now be coming through Little Mill after a change of route. Preference for a rolling road block rather than close the road itself. Possible impact on roads in the Nantydderry area. The Road Traffic Act states that roads can only be closed once a year so with other roads closures planned this should come into force. Suggestion that the Community Council keep a close eye on developments leading up to the event to head off any potential road issues that might arise.</p> <p><u>Meeting resumed 7.45pm</u> Chairman's Remarks Chairman, Gareth Cuerden welcomed everyone to the meeting</p>	
2	<p>Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting Proposed by Councillor Welford. Seconded by Councillor Kostanjevec</p>	
3	<p>Matters Arising</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Chip Shop rental payments now up to date and regular payments reinstated 2. Defibrillator training at Little Mill and Goytre village halls deferred until New Year 3. Street lighting in Goytre should be coming on at dusk and off at midnight. Back on at 05.00 until dawn. Any deviation from this should be reported to Roger Joy at Mon CC 4. Goytre Arms in agreement with Council regarding the parking of lorry outside the pub/chip shop to unload. Council to flag up with PC Evans to find solution to issue 5. Clerk attended meeting of Red Card dog waste scheme in Mon CC HQ last week. Next meeting March 2016. 	Clerk
4	<p>Reports</p> <p><u>Monmouthshire County Council</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Meeting on Thursday 3rd December regarding Mon CC budget for 2015/16. Suggestion that the Council sends a number of representatives to see how it may impact on the Community. Clerk to attend with Councillor Deakins. 2. Delay in provision of nappy bags according to Councillor Dodd. County Councillor Jones will query and report back to Council. <p><u>Little Mill Village Hall</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Disabled bays now marked in village hall car park 2. New amplifier for the hall now in place 3. Very successful firework display. £450.00 profit by bucket collection and bbq <p><u>Goytre Village Hall</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nothing to report <p><u>Goytre School</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. School attendance levels are now running above the target at 97.37% 2. Possible change to curriculum in the pipeline. Implementation target 2018. 3. Little Stars nursery based in Torfaen has not been given registration forms for Goytre School by Mon CC. Can register on line but they need the registration number, which is on the form. Clerk to liaise with Councillor Dodd to inform County Councillor Jones at Mon CC 	Clerk

	<p><u>Goytre Community Centre</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Roof is progressing but weather slowing the project down. Some timber has been replaced. 2. Light outside centre has blown and is being replaced. 3. After school numbers increasing 4. Successful recent Christmas Bazaar. Estimated profit circa. £450 <p><u>Public Conveniences</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nothing to report <p><u>Goytre Scout Hut.</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Combined beavers, cubs and scouts. New volunteers have come forward 	
5	<p>Other Reports</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Councillor Deakins attended Mon CC meeting recently. County Council hope to relinquish control of some buildings. Suggestion that we take control of Community Centre in light of the review but decision deferred until after budget meeting on 3rd December 	
6	<p>Communications</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Working closer with other TC and CCs for Mon CC budget 2016/17 3rd December meeting in County Hall 2. Conservation Volunteers Free Trees initiative through OVO Energy 2015 tree planting programme. Applications from 3rd December 2015. Community Council will be interested. Suggestion that sub-committee be organised to facilitate. 3. Letter from concerned Goytre resident regarding current state of Spar shop and the potentially dangerous wall outside that is in a bad state of repair. Can a Councillor approach the owner to ascertain the future of the shop and any repairs to be carried out? * Clerk to send letter bringing to his attention the state of the wall 4. Request for dog waste bin to be placed on Highfield Road Goytre near the surgery and hairdressers by local resident 5. Council provision of Pensions information circulated by One Voice Wales to be assessed by Community Council in due course. Email detail to Councillors and put on Jan 2016 agenda.* <p><i>*Denotes Email</i></p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
7	<p>Goytre Toilet Handwashing Facility Upgrade</p> <p>Clerk presented quote from Wallgate for replacement of units in both toilets in Goytre. Total installation costs £4236.00 plus vat. Review of alternative hand washing facilities including boiler, sink, taps, hand dryer and soap dispenser circa. £2366.00 total but does not include installation costs. Running costs considerably higher with stand-alone units and no control over soap or water access. Suggestion that Wallgate system is installed. Proposed by Councillor Cuerden. Seconded Councillor Howells. Council thanked the clerk for detailed preparation on alternative systems and discussion with provider Wallgate</p>	
8	<p>Little Mill Village Hall Recycling Proposal</p> <p>Council currently paying £390.00 per annum for playground bin at Little Mill park. LMVH Committee would like to take on Mon CC service. It will discourage waste. Mon CC service would be £370 per annum. Annual registration of £25 per annum. Can the Community Council assist with the cost of the 26 residual collections of £291.00 per annum for a period of 12 months as a pilot scheme subject to Thomas Waste Management cost evaluation. Proposed by Councillor Cuerden. Seconded by Councillor Howells</p> <p>Will Thomas Waste Management charge more for Goytre collection should the Little Mill bin not be required?</p>	Clerk
9	<p>Dog Waste Bins for Canal Walkway</p> <p>Canal and Rivers Trust have agreed to fund two bins for canal walkway Community Council will be charged £4.49 for each bin collection by Merlin Waste adding a further £17.96 per month to the Councils bin collection bill. Also new bin for Highfield Road Penperlleni. Clerk will establish if Mon CC can provide free bin but purchase if necessary. Three new collection sites in total. Proposed by Councillor Cuerden Seconded by Councillor Kostanjevec</p>	
10	<p>Council Budget Review 2016</p> <p>Council suggestion that the precept is increased by £500 to £28,500 for 2016/17 Proposed by Councillor Welford Seconded by Councillor Deakins</p>	

	Budget projections for 2016/17 agreed by Council. Proposed by Councillor Cuerden Seconded by Councillor Kostanjevec	
11	Chairman’s Honorarium Proposed to leave the payment at £425.00 Proposed by Councillor Howells Seconded by Councillor Welford	
12	Planning Applications 1. DC/2015/01093 – Proposed residential development of one house/bungalow on land immediately adjoining ‘Montana’ utilising existing access to a detached single garage, currently occupying the proposed site off Star Road. This is an outline application only. Montana, Star Road Penperlleni NP4 0AJ. DEVELOPMENT TOO BIG FOR PLOT. TOO CLOSE TO THE BOUNDARY. OVERDEVELOPMENT IN SUCH A SMALL AREA. 2. DC/2015/01186 – Proposed barn conversions forming one dwelling and two holiday lets. Great House Farm Croes y Pant Lane Mamhilad NP4 0JD. Concerns about access to and from site otherwise NO OBJECTIONS 3. DC/2015/01394 – 1) Timber gate posts to frontage replaced with stonework pillars and the introduction of a pedestrian gate and stonework post box pillar. 2) Hedging to front. Woodend Church Road Nantyderry Monmouthshire. NO OBJECTIONS	
13	Donations 1. None	
14	Review of Accounts 1. S Fodden £238.12 2. Ian Blacker (Clerk) £521.20 3. British Gas (electricity) £20.31 4. OVW Training Course £35.00 5. Stamps for Clerk £14.04 6. Mon CC Little Mill park maintenance 2015/16 £43.74 7. Light via Roger Howells £78.19 8. Chairman’s Honouriam £425.00	
15	Advertising Usk and Raglan diary contributions January 2016 Date of February 2016 meeting	
16	Maintenance 1. Emergency repair of noticeboard in Goytre undertaken by Mike Walker authorised by Clerk as legs where unstable. Clerk has asked for quote for re varnishing of both boards in Little Mill and Goytre 2. Railway Bridge potholes 3. Highways signage increase reminder for Mon CC The meeting closed at 9.45pm	
17	Date of Next Meeting Monday 14 th December 2015	All

Chairman:

Date: