

GOETRE FAWR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT GOYTRE COMMUNITY CENTRE ON MONDAY 29TH FEBRUARY 2016

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

In Attendance: Clerk - Ian Blacker

Apologies: Councillors Roger Price, Rose Thayers, County Councillor Bryan Jones

		ACTION
1	<p><u>Meeting resumed 7.50pm</u></p> <p>Chairman's Remarks</p> <p>Chairman, Gareth Cuerden welcomed everyone to the meeting. Grateful thanks to Councillor Michelle Cooper for all her hard work during her tenure as Chair and Councillor with Goetre Fawr Community Council.</p>	
2	<p>Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting</p> <p>Proposed by Councillor Deakins. Seconded by Councillor Welford</p>	
3	<p>Matters Arising</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Confirmation of 5 year Zurich Insurance payment of £936.90 per annum. No increase in payments due to Council claim confirmed by Clerk 2. Details of Little Mill Bridge repair road closures submitted to Mr R Gooding via Clerk after appeal to Council 3. Acknowledgement concerning curb stone outside Spar shop, Star and Saron Road potholes by Mon CC Highways. 4. Acknowledgement concerning potholes along Capel Ed Lane by Mon CC Highways 5. Clerk had site meeting with Canal & Riverside Trust regarding location of new dog waste bins and woodland maintenance at wharf 6. New hand washer/dryers have been installed by Wallgate at the toilets in Goytre 	
4	<p>Reports</p> <p><u>Monmouthshire County Council</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nothing to report <p><u>Little Mill Village Hall</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No detail regarding funding for playground from Section 106 money as yet <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. Meeting next week <p><u>Goytre Community Centre</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Returns for last year now complete. Income £4150.00 expenditure £ 4196.00 2. GASC numbers lower than desirable at present. Issue surrounding school non promotion of Community Centre club. Councillors Cuerden and Dodd to ask for meeting with school regarding after school club and Go Active facility at school 3. Complaints from neighbours regarding noise from heaters in Centre 4. Insurance has now been paid via Councillor Lazenby 5. Suggestion that Centre needs urgent decoration (during summer) and boiler replacement this year <p><u>Public Conveniences</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. New Wallgate hand washers/dryers now in place. Some grouting has been dislodged in gents cubicles. Replacement for Councillor Cooper to be addressed at AGM 	

	<p><u>Goytre Scout Hut.</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. New committee now in place. Could approach Council for funding towards replacement of equipment after break in last year 	
5	<p>Other Reports</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Councillor Welford went to Velothon 2016 meeting. Route has been decided. Not coming through Little Mill this year. Road closure along A472 for professional riders 2. Details of Monmouthshire activity not being delivered in Community. Residents currently get Torfaen details newsletter only. 	Clerk
6	<p>Communications</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Confirmation of renewal of Mon CC maintenance contract 2016/17 for Little Mill Open Space 2. Introduction to workplace pensions and auto enrolment from Pensions Regulator via accountants Beverley and Williams Ltd 3. HM Queen Elizabeth 90th birthday celebrations. Will the Community Council be participating/organising any events?* 4. Commemorative medal for Queen's 90th birthday for schools and Councils. Council decided unanimously not to take up the option 5. Request for Council to become nominated charity for Tenovus Cancer care or donation. No plans to support the charity financially at present 6. Support request from Nick Ramsey to save Monmouthshire. Petition sheets for use in the community available. 7. Rural Development Funding Programme meeting taking place around the County. Clerk has sent to potential interested parties i.e. Capel Ed Garden Project and Goytre AFC* <p><i>*Denotes Email</i></p>	
7	<p>Community Council Meeting Dates</p> <p>Council meeting dates for 2016 and early 2017 have been agreed and will be circulated to Councillors by the Clerk. Trial for 6 months proposed by Councillor Deakins, Seconded Councillor Cuerden. List to be circulated by Clerk</p>	
8	<p>Community Council Staff Salary Review</p> <p>New Living Wage increase from £6.70 to £7.20 from 1st April 2016. Suggestion that Sarah Fodden pay be increased to £250.00 per month (£3000.00 per annum) by Councillor Dodd Seconded by Councillor French Expense claim by Clerk for mileage to be submitted when appropriate Next review in February 2017</p>	
9	<p>Community Council Website Review</p> <p>New website secured via Spanglefish Working group to be set up to review site layout before implementation Councillors can review the site at: http://www.community-council.org.uk/goetrefawr</p>	
10	<p>Goytre Park Equipment Replacement and Cleaning</p> <p>Deterioration of existing play equipment and degradation of astro turf surfaces. Cleaning of play surfaces and park gates greasing of swings Clerk to contact Tim Bradfield of Mon CC to inspect park equipment and report back for next meeting</p>	Clerk
11	<p>Goytre Road Sign Cleaning</p> <p>Road signs and bus stops need cleaning in Goytre on A4042 and Little Mill on Berthon Road. Clerk to find out whose responsibility this is (Stagecoach potentially) and report back for next meeting. Proposed by Councillor Dodd and seconded by Councillor French</p>	
12	<p>Planning Applications</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. DC/2016/00013 – Increase eaves and ridge height of both dwellings (approved under application DC/2010/01032) to accommodate 2 bedrooms and en-suites in roof space. The Gables Plough Road Penperlleni NP4 0AL. NO OBJECTIONS 2. DC/2016/00068 – Single storey extension 11 Parklands Goytre NP4 0BB. NO OBJECTIONS 	
13	<p>Donations</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. David Melmoth of Goytre AFC has thanked the Community Council for the donation towards the sign at the playground entrance. 	
14	<p>Review of Accounts and Payments</p> <p>Clerk to meet with accountants on Tuesday 1st March 2016 to discuss arrangements for Council audit 2015/16. Review of accounts by Councillor. Clarification of professional payments made by</p>	

	Councillor Deakins and Cuerden. No other issues raised	
	Payments	
	1. S Fodden £238.12	
	2. Ian Blacker (Clerk) £521.20	
	3. Thomas Waste Management £22.80	
	4. British Gas (electricity) £23.16	
	5. One Voice Wales membership renewal £297.00	
	6. Zurich Insurance renewal £936.90	
	7. New website via Clerk £29.95	
	8. Welsh Water for toilets £183.59	
	9. Accountants for Pensions Regulator £30.00	
	10. Wallgate new toilet handryers £5083.20	
	11. Handwash fluid for toilets via Clerk £65.94	
	12. Ocean Supplies for toilets £98.97	
	13. Merlin Waste for dog bins £40.68	
	14. British Gas Toilet electricity £23.16	
15	Advertising	
	Usk and Raglan diary contributions April 2016	
16	Maintenance	
	1. Pen-y -Wern Lane, Pentre Lane, top of Longhouse Barn, Fairfield by the Spar, Newtown Road as it joins Fairfield near Pentre Farm potholes	
	2. Rumble Street potholes	
	3. Croes y pant Lane potholes and hedges. Can Mon CC cut the hedges.	
	4. Goytre railway bridge potholes	
	5. Opposite Croes y Pant Lane towards school footpath overgrown	
	6. Chapel Meads street lighting timings are incorrect. Councillor Dodd to confirm	
	7. Bus stop sign opposite Little Mill chapel has been removed and not yet replaced. Clerk to contact transport provider	
	8. Lot of traffic along Rumble Street. Some disturbances also along Cefn Mawr Lane during Little Mill bridge diversion. Could it be made one way?	
	The meeting closed at 9.30pm	
17	Date of Next Meeting	
	Monday 21 st March 2016	All

Chairman:

Date: