



# BRACKLA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Full Council Meeting Held in the Boardroom, Oak Tree Surgery Thursday 20 April 2017 at 7.00pm

### Members Present

Cllr D Aston – Chairperson

Cllr P Hacking

Cllr T Hacking

Cllr I Hibble

Cllr J Spanswick

Clerk - Mrs A Wilkes

### 174 Community Police Report

The next PACT Meeting would take place on Thursday 29 June 2017, 6.30pm at Brackla Primary School. The May meeting had been cancelled due to the announcement of forthcoming General Election.

### 175 Public Address to Council

The Chair, Cllr David Aston welcomed members of the public to the meeting, Shaun Bastin, Ciaron Jackson and Marcelle Humphreys.

### 176 Apologies for Absence

Cllr J Brett - ill

Cllr C Jones – GMB Meeting London

Cllr M Quick – on holiday

Cllr H Townsend – other commitment

**177 Declaration of Interest in Accordance with Section 51 of the Local Government Act 2000**

Cllr T Hacking – personal interest, Planning issues Item 190/P/17/272/FUL

Cllr P Hacking – personal interest, Planning issues Item 190/P/17/272/FUL

Cllr I Hibble – Civil Servant Welsh Government and a prejudicial interest on Planning Item 190/P/17/199/FUL

Cllr J Spanswick – Borough Councillor, Bridgend CBC, a member of Development Control Committee – prejudicial interest on Planning issues, Item 190.

**178 Ratification of Minutes, Full Council Meeting 16 March 2017**

**Resolved: that the minutes were proposed as an accurate record of proceedings by Cllr J Spanswick seconded by Cllr I Hibble and accepted by council as a true record. The Chairman duly signed the minutes**

**179 Matters of Report by the Clerk of the Council**

134 Memorial Bench for Mr Brian Whitlock and War Memorial. Still waiting for a response from the Agent, Watts & Morgan on behalf of landowners.

**180 To consider all Correspondence received by this Council since the previous meeting**

1. School Governance Solutions Limited – to nominate a community governor representative for Archdeacon John Lewis and Tremains Primary Schools, replacing former Cllr G Williams. This matter will be resolved at the Annual General Meeting.
2. Wales Air Ambulance – donation request – deferred until June 2017
3. Y Bont – donation request – deferred until June 2017
4. Bridgend CBC – pre-election information and timeline for applications and withdrawals. Noted
5. Lite Limited – suppliers of festive lighting. Noted
6. One Voice Wales – Social Media Policy Template. Noted

## 181 Brackla Community Centre

- (a) Architectural plans had been received, each member had received a copy and asked to provide development ideas to the next meeting in May. The Clerk would ask the architect to provide a short presentation as soon as possible.
- (b) The Clerk confirmed that the new central heating boiler would be installed by C S Boxall on Monday 24 April. The work would be carried out over three days.

## 182 Annual Events

### (a) **Funday & Flower Show – Sat 24 June 2017**

The Chair, Cllr David Aston had produced a draft booklet for the Flower Show together with categories, information on judging and an application form. Members were extremely grateful for the work done by Cllr Aston. Cllr Terry Hacking stated that this was a perfect example of Brackla Community Council taking the lead in such a project. Cllr Ian Hibble said that the Flower Show is an exciting innovation to our annual Funday. Cllr Hibble requested the print font to be in 'Arial 12' in order that the content is easier to read, particularly by people with partially sight.

**Resolved: that Cllr T Hacking proposed, that the booklet is approved by this council, seconded by Cllr I Hibble and unanimously agreed**

The booklet would be available to download from the website, emailed or collected from the office.

Promotion for the event to date: banners displayed on the roundabouts and details of all events were published in the Newsletter which had been distributed since the end of March.

## 183 To confirm the purchase of a further two External Automated Defibrillators and locations

Members agreed in principle to purchase a further two installations. Wales and West Housing had agreed to have one installed outside the Family Centre, Close y Wern. Ryan Gibson, Coity First Responders would conduct a survey of the property and liaise with the Clerk and Wales & West Housing to confirm an installation date. Mr Gibson would look for a fourth suitable location.

**Resolved: that Cllr J Spanswick proposed, seconded by Cllr T Hacking to purchase a further two defibrillators to the value of £3,840 from the General Reserve Fund**

## 184 Finance

- (a) To request approval of the schedule of **payments March 2017**  
**Resolved: that payments were unanimously approved and signed proposed by Cllr J Spanswick and seconded by Cllr I Hibble in compliance with the Wales Audit Regulations**
- (b) Mr Ley had provided members with a copy of the bank reconciliation as at **31 March 2017** for approval.  
**Resolved: that payments were unanimously approved and signed in compliance with the Wales Audit Regulations**

## 185 To Receive the Clerk's Report - none

## 186 To Receive Reports from Members

Cllr Ian Hibble asked for an update on the pedestrian crossing on Brackla Way, between footpath from the rear of The Haywain and Tremain's Court. Cllr John Spanswick informed members that no update had been received from Bridgend CBC.

Cllr John Spanswick had heard that a person in a wheelchair had commented that the K Barrier at Chorleywood is unsuitable for all wheelchairs and larger mobility scooters.

Cllr Terry Hacking mentioned that Cllr Pat Hacking had been a member of this council since 1983 and would not be standing for re-election. Depending on the outcome of the election, other members may not return to council. Cllr Terry Hacking said that it had been a pleasure to work with members of this council over the years.

Cllr David Aston, the Chairperson, said that members should be proud of the achievements of this council. The events, the asset transfer of the community centre, improvements to the centre, the floral displays and ensuring that Brackla is presentable for its residents and visitors.

Cllr Aston thanked the officers, Mrs Anne Wilkes, Clerk and Mr Philip Ley, Assistant Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer for the support, hard work and continued interest in looking after Brackla and its residents.

Cllr J Spanswick endorsed the statements made by Cllr D Aston.

Cllr Pat Hacking commented that, although there had been different parties, we had always worked together for the benefit of our community and there had been no obstacles. Despite political parties, we are here for the residents of Brackla.

**187 Agenda items for April 2017 Full Council Meeting**

Cllr Spanswick proposed that a Development Plan for Brackla

**188 The date of the Statutory Annual General Meeting, followed by the Full Council Meeting**

**Resolved: that the meeting would take place on Thursday 11 May 2017 at 6.30pm in the Boardroom of Oak Tree Surgery**

**189 To consider Brackla Planning Applications by the Planning Committee Members of this Council**

<b>P/17/272/FUL</b>	4 Cae Ysgubor	Single storey extension
<b>P/17/274/FUL</b>	21 Badgers Brook	Construction of rear extension for granny flat
<b>P/17/299/FUL</b>	12 Marigold Court	Wales & West Housing Association Single storey side extension

*The Planning Committee did not discuss the above applications - inquorate*

The meeting closed at 7.55 pm

Signature of the Chairperson: ..... Date: .....  
Councillor David Aston

## **Matters of report since the previous meeting**

Still waiting on a response from the land owners at the Triangle, via their agent, Watts & Morgan regarding the replacement memorial bench and permission to use part of the grassed area for a War Memorial.

## **Correspondence received since 20 April 2017**

1. Wales Audit Office – audit fees and other matters relating to the 2015/16 audit
2. Samaritans Bridgend – invitation for a representative to attend their AGM, Thursday 15 June at the Vale Cricket Club, Corntown
3. One Voice Wales – New Councillor Induction training, Bridgend Town Council, Carnegie House, Wednesday 24 May 6.30 – 9pm. £40 for members, or £60 non members
4. Cllr J Spanswick – response to resident regarding the Residential Development adjacent to Wyndham Close.
5. Play for Wales publication, issue 48, Spring 2017.

## **Planning applications since 20 April 2017**

P/17/323/FUL	68 Maes Talcen Porch to front elevation
P/17/330/FUL	137 Hazeldene Avenue Remove existing garage and construct new attached garage/utility room and first floor rear extension