



BRACKLA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting Held in the Boardroom, Oak Tree Surgery Thursday 11 May 2017 at 7.00 pm

Members Present

Cllr H Townsend – Chairperson

Cllr D Aston

Cllr J Brett

Cllr T Giffard

Cllr I Hibble

Cllr C Jackson

Cllr C Jones

Cllr K Jones (Youth)

Cllr A Pucella

Cllr K Rowlands

Cllr J Spanswick

Clerk - Mrs A Wilkes

1 Community Police Report

PCSO Rhys Jones had provided the latest crime figure report. South Wales Police would remind members of the public to lock their vehicles, as there had been reports of thefts from unlocked vehicles.

The next PACT Meeting would take place on Thursday 29 June 2017, 6.30pm at Brackla Primary School.

2 Public Address to Council

Mr Nathan Goldsworthy wanted to know who would be responsible for the maintenance of Tremains Wood.

Cllr John Spanswick confirmed that the woodland would be the responsibility of Bridgend County Borough Council and that Keep Wales Tidy had carried out a lot of

work there recently. Cllr Spanswick suggested that Mr Goldsworthy contact one of the four Borough Councillors representing Brackla: Cllrs Giffard/Pucella/Rowlands/Spanswick.

3 Apologies for Absence

Cllr T Hacking - on holiday

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

Cllr T Giffard – Borough Councillor, Bridgend County Borough Council - prejudicial interest Item 19.

Cllr I Hibble – Civil Servant Welsh Government

Cllr C Jackson - prejudicial interest Item 11.

Cllr A Pucella – Borough Councillor, Bridgend County Borough Council - prejudicial interest Item 19.

Cllr K Rowlands – Borough Councillor, Bridgend County Borough Council - prejudicial interest Item 19.

Cllr J Spanswick – Borough Councillor, Bridgend County Borough Council - prejudicial interest Item 19. Personal interest, Item 11 as a relative of Cllr Ciaron Jackson.

5 Ratification of Minutes, Full Council Meeting 20 April 2017

The following item 177 amended to read planning application no: P/17/299/FUL as opposed to 199.

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

6 Ratification of Minutes of the Human Resource Committee Meeting 2 May 2017

Resolved: that Cllr C Jones proposed, seconded by Cllr T Giffard that this staff related item would be discussed in closed session before Item 19. Unanimously agreed.

7 Matters of Report by the Clerk of the Council

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 the proposed War Memorial.

Resolved: that members unanimously agreed to go ahead and change the bench at the Triangle as a memorial to Mr Brian Whitlock and install a memorial bench for former Councillor David Sage. Quotations would be requested

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

1. Wales Audit Office – audit fees and other matters relating to the 2015/16 audit
Resolved: that this information is duly noted
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. Registration via the Clerk.
4. Cllr J Spanswick – response to resident regarding the Residential Development adjacent to Wyndham Close. Cllr Spanswick had provided the resident with the information currently available and had requested further information from Bridgend CBC.
5. Play for Wales publication, issue 48, Spring 2017.

9 Brackla Community Centre

Mr Peter Lee, Architect would provide council with a short presentation at the next meeting, 15 June. Internal alterations to accommodate an office and council chamber would need to be discussed with the architect.

The new central heating boiler had been installed with a five year manufacturers guarantee. The terms of the Service Level Agreement with Bridgend CBC would be reviewed as the new boiler would need to be inspected, serviced and maintained, ideally by Boxall.

Since the televised visit by the Prime Minister, Teresa May, BBC Cymru had booked the main hall for a live debate.

10 Annual Events

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

The Clerk informed members that no entries had been received for the Flower Show, despite weekly advertising on social media since March, posters displayed on all our notice boards, at the community centre since April and residents had been informed when they had visited the office. All our community events were listed in the Newsletter, distributed in March. Banners had been purchased and would be displayed before the Spring Bank Holiday. A free listing had been placed with BridgeFM's 'What's On', which would be announced over the coming weeks. Adverts would be placed with the Gem and Gazette for a period of two weeks.

All members received a list of all confirmed entertainers, stall holders and all others involved in the event, together with the costs. A large marquee and table/chairs would be hired to accommodate the Flower Show exhibits, Ogmere Valley Silver Band, Magician and pop up tea room.

Members would meet before the event to discuss the event and preparations.

(b) **Confirmation of the Firework Sound & Light Show - Friday 3 November 2017**

The Clerk had reserved the date with Archbishop McGrath Catholic High School's, Head Teacher's PA, informing the Manager of the Sports Facility at the same time.

Mrs Sue Frampton, Crackerjack Fireworks Limited had confirmed the date of 3 November 2017. The Clerk would confirm with the school and sports facility.

As agreed at a previous meeting, BridgeFM would be attending the show this year. It was proposed that the 'Lost Children' flag is displayed on their trailer and that they would be able to make the necessary announcements. It was suggested that we purchase wrist bands for children on which the parents may write their mobile numbers.

Resolved: that Cllr D Aston proposed that a 50% deposit of £2,450 would be paid to Mr Oliver Davis of Luminent for the provision of music and laser light show, seconded by Cllr J Spanswick and agreed by all members present

11 To consider a request by Brackla Environmental Support Team to purchase litter picking equipment

The Team had met with other volunteers (adults and children) to carryout litter picking on two occasions todote. Regular sessions would be arranged.

Resolved: that Cllr C Jones proposed, seconded by Cllr D Aston that this council purchase the necessary equipment for the Brackla Environmental Support Team to the value of £800

12 Finance

(a) To request approval of the schedule of **payments April 2017**

Resolved: that payments were unanimously approved and signed proposed by Cllr J Spanswick and seconded by Cllr C Jones in compliance with the Wales Audit Regulations

(b) Mr Ley had provided members with a copy of the bank reconciliation as at **30 April 2017** for approval.

Resolved: that payments were unanimously approved and signed in compliance with the Wales Audit Regulations

13 Confirmation of the Internal Audit 2016/17

The Internal Audit had been completed by Mr Simon Lewis of Sentinel, Cardiff. There no matters of concern for the council and a full written report would be presented at the June meeting.

14 Formal Approval of the Annual Return 2016/17 (Year End Accounts 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2017)

Members were provided with a copy of the full accounts for the above period, Annual Return Accounting Statement, Annual Governance Statement (Part 1 and Part 2) to scrutinise.

Resolved: that Cllr C Jones proposed, seconded by Cllr I Hibble and ananiously agreed approval of Annual Return 2016/17

15 To Receive the Clerk's Report - none

16 To Receive Reports from Members

Cllr J Spanswick had completed the London Marathon on behalf of the Stroke Association on 23 April 2017. £2,500 had been raised for the charity.

Cllr J Brett asked if there had been any update on a pedestrian crossing between Tremains Court and the public pathway leading to the Haywain. It was reported that elderly people found it difficult to cross the road at that location. The referral to Bridgend CBC had been closed and the local authority would provide a report. It was suggested by Cllr J Spanswick that this matter may be reported through PACT meetings.

Cllr T Giffard stated that this council continue in the vein as Cllr P Hacking reported at the April meeting.

Cllr H Townsend mentioned potholes on Coychurch Road had been marked and resurfacing required at the roundabout near the Haywain. Cllr Spanswick would make a referral to Bridgend CBC.

Cllr Townsend confirmed the Chairpersons Charities for 2017/18 would be Bridgend Stroke Association and Bridgend Deaf Club.

17 Agenda items for June 2017 Full Council Meeting

Development Plan for Brackla
Civic Service

18 The date of the Full Council Meeting

Resolved: that the meeting would take place on Thursday 15 June 2017 at 7.00 pm in the Boardroom of Oak Tree Surgery

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

None

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm

Signature of the Chairperson: Date:
Councillor Hailey Townsend