



GRAIG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Community Council held at
Graig Community Hall (and remotely via Zoom)
at 19.00 on Wednesday 31st January 2024

Members present: Cllr D Williams, Cllr N Tarr, Cllr J Harris, Cllr L Fry (all present in room)
Cllr J Watts (present via zoom), Cllr M Cleeve (present for Item 4 only and via
zoom).

Members of the Public: 0

Minutes: Mrs C L Cotterell (Locum Clerk/RFO)

Meeting started at 19.08

1. Chairman's Welcome and Public Participation

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.

2. Apologies for Absence

To receive apologies for absence – Apologies received from Cllrs Roe and Appleton. Cllr Sayer was absent.

3. Declarations of Interest

Members to declare an interest in any items of business on the agenda – **None**.

4. Co-option of Members

To consider co-option of a new Community Council member.

An application was received from Matthew Cleeve – It was **resolved** to approve the co-option of Matthew Cleeve – Proposed Cllr Watts, seconded Cllr Williams.

Cllr Cleeve was welcomed to the Council and left the meeting after this item.

5. Graig Community Centre Parking

To consider resident parking at Graig Community Centre – decision **deferred** to next meeting.

6. Flooding

To receive an update.

A discussion was held about the flooding at Rhiwderin – Cllrs **agreed** to do a site visit soon.

7. Minutes

To agree the accuracy of the minutes of the meetings held on:

- Wednesday 20th December 2023 – **Resolved** – Proposed Cllr Williams, seconded Cllr Harris.
- Wednesday 10th January 2024 – **Resolved** – Proposed Cllr Tarr, seconded Cllr Harris.

8. Matters Arising from Minutes and Clerk's Update

- To consider any updates or matters arising from the minutes – **None**.
- To receive Clerk's update – the update was **noted** and queries answered.

9. Newport City Councillors

To receive a report from City Councillors.

City Cllr Harris reported:

- Bassaleg Bridge - At a recent cabinet meeting it was agreed to release funding to start an options report in order to apply for Welsh Government grant funding; the scheme will cost around £9 million - A rented bridge was discussed. It was agreed that Cllr Watts will liaise with Cllr Harris to investigate the option.
- The issues regarding street lights and bins was discussed at the last Meeting



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10. Risk Management Schedule

To review and approve a Risk Management Schedule – Cllrs reviewed and approved adoption of the Risk Management Schedule with some amendments – **Resolved** – Proposed Cllr Watts, seconded Cllr Tarr.

11. Finance

- a) To receive financial documents – the bank reconciliation and receipts and payments summary to December 2023 were **noted**.
- b) To receive the Budget vs Actual report to Q3 for 2023-24 -
- c) To approve the following schedule of payments.

Resolved to approve the following payments – Proposed Cllr Harris, seconded Cllr Tarr, voted 4 for, 1 abstention.

<u>Payee</u>		<u>Amount</u>
SLCC Enterprises	Locum Services (December 23 – Invoice 698)	£2,193.00
VisionICT	Cllr Email addresses	£43.20
S Davies	Reimbursement of fee for MS Office	£79.99
Rob Williams	Outside maintenance Graig Hall	£2,274.00

Bank balance as at 31st December 2023 - £87,017.68

12. Planning

- a) 24/0008 | CONSTRUCTION OF 2NO. NEW DWELLINGS | Glebe House Forge Road Bassaleg Newport NP10 8AQ – Cllrs felt they needed more time to finalise comments – Agreed for Cllr Tarr to contact NCC to request an extension.

13. Next Meeting

Wednesday 28th February 2024 at 19.00 – Full Council Meeting - Graig Community Centre and via Zoom.

Meeting closed at 21.02

These minutes were approved at the meeting held on 28th February 2024