

Coedkernew Community Council

Minutes:2nd July 2024

Present:

Chair Cllr T Boswell Cllr H Boswell

Cllr A Roger-Hewitt Cllr G Thomas

NCC Cllr A Screen

1. Apologies

Vice-Chair Cllr D Johnston Cllr P Turner Police

2. Declaration of Interest

None

3. Minutes of previous meeting

Minutes of previous meeting on 2nd June 2024 accepted as a true record.

4. Matters Arising

Pot holes: Repairs have been completed.

Celtic Way: It may help to use the app “What three Words” to pinpoint where fly tipping has occurred, or which Celtic Way you are referring to when contacting the authorities. The central reservation has trees growing in it now. Residents have taken matters into their own hands and cut the undergrowth down to maintain good visibility on the junctions for drivers.

Fly tipping/rubbish: The red bags from litter picking are not being collected, from the last cleanse of the A48 from Coedkernew to Castleton. Rubbish has been dumped in the undergrowth and then, when this is strimmed by NCC it shreds the litter into smaller pieces, this is most evident after “no mow May”. Tredegar House area needs litter picking.

My Newport App: This app is not fulfilling its function; residents are still waiting for red bags ordered two months ago.

Pencarn Avenue: Parking is still poor due to the road closure of Celtic Way; this is due to open in September.

5. Newport City Councillors Report

No update from NCC Cllr Watkins on the two separate roads named Celtic Way in the area; NCC Cllr Screen to follow up.

NCC Cllr Screen: Due to the election, surgeries are cancelled, and the newsletter is on hold for a few more weeks.

The new NCC leader is due to visit the ward in September, this is an opportunity to raise the profile of the area, as the focus is usually on the City Centre. It is proposed that the four Community Council Chairs meet with the leader of NCC on his visit.

6. Police Matters

No one is available to attend this month. Reports of a break in occurring at the Tredegar House Café recently.

7. Finance Matters

A finance meeting has just been carried out.

OVW has been paid for the online training with Cllr Rogerson-Hewett, the bursary has also been applied for, so I am expecting a £20 rebate. Website and wages are the normal outgoings for the month. See the July cashbook presented to the quarterly finance meeting.

As guided by OVW we considered the email regarding online meeting provision. The cost of Teams/Zoom subscription, secure wifi, computer equipment, Cllr roles and responsibilities during the meeting were all considered. At this present time we have no means of providing an online meeting provision.

8. Planning

No comment

9. Correspondence

OVW webinar – Green Prescribing with Keep Wales Tidy: The four local CC chairs are to meet about fly tipping in the area.

10. Any Other Business – for information only

Caravan on Blacksmiths Way: 28 days Statutory Notice has been served, it is in a dangerous position and a fire risk, residents are concerned. It clearly has been dumped and is unfit to live in. NCC Cllr Screen agreed to follow up.

NCC grass cutting on Church Crescent not been done NCC Cllr Screen to follow up.

Footpath Blacksmiths Way to Celtic Springs: covered in brambles, residents are unable to walkthrough the path. NCC Cllr Screen agreed to follow up.

Vantage Data Centre: Working at 19:20hrs on a Saturday night; workmen shouting, beeping of lorries and the crane was in use. Project Director was contacted at the time to raise concerns of residents. The work carried on until 19:55 hrs. Is the work currently being carried out on the LD Building using platforms covered by planning? NCC Cllr Screen agreed to follow up.

11. Date of Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be on 2nd September at the Parc Golf Club.