

MEETING OF WENTLOOGE COMMUNITY COUNCIL TUESDAY 18th MARCH 2025 AT PETERSTONE VILLAGE HALL MINUTES

Present:

Cllr Vice Chair, Cllr Julie Foster Cllr Lucy Turner Cllr Ann Farrugia Cllr Ann Picton Clerk Sara Nurse 2 Members of public Sgt Chris Johnston

Clerk elect Nikki Malpas

Apologies/Declaration of Interest *

Chair, Cllr Judy Clatworthy Cllr Frank Lovejoy Cllr Richard White City Cllr Rhian Howells

Minutes

Confirm the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 18th February 2025 Proposed Cllr Turner Seconded Cllr Picton

Police Matters

Sgt Johnson gave the following updates:

Operation Absorb was being planned

Surgeries will now be 1st Sunday of month 06.04.25 and 04.05.25 planned from 1400 – 1500 Suggestion was made to alternate surgeries between Peterstone Village Hall and Lighthouse Park Clerk noted monthly reports had not been received since January Sgt Johnson waiting on response from CEO NCC regarding locking car park at Lighthouse Park

City Councillor Report

Cllr Howells sent apologies

At previous meeting Cllr Screen requested a monthly update of items to be addressed by City Cllrs

Item	Update 18.02.25	Follow up 18.03.25
St Peters Sewerage Scheme	Cllr Howells expecting an update on adoption any time	
Lighthouse Park evening closure	Cll Screen discussing with NCC. This cannot fall on an elderly community to do this as suggested and the only way to stop the anti-social behaviour is to lock the car park each night	
Traffic survey	Cllr Watkins was requesting the raw data for the survey in order to deep dive the cause for such a difference from the survey and reality	

Public Participation

Residents from Lighthouse Park noted continued anti – social behaviour. This month youths on bikes perusing the area have been seen on several occasions and not local therefore causing concern to residents.

Reports of 2 cars broken into/Youth with machete on foreshore/Fires on foreshore

Clerk to write to CEO of NCC as no traction has been made in 12 months with a resolution on locking the car park at Lighthouse Park. As we approach lighter nights this will become a major issue. Largely elderly community in Lighthouse Park feel discriminated that the simple measure to lock the car park and ensure their safety is not being considered. Residents feel if this was not a rural area, and a larger community was disadvantaged there would be a more positive and expedient outcome.

Resident noted transport from Shervingtons do not have covers and waste is being deposited on roads Clerk to review with Planning/NRW licence as operating hours are also a concern.

Resident requested whether the Living Levels are able to update footpaths. Clerk confirmed WCC can fund this from Section 111 Local Government Plan for biodiversity – certain criteria must be met. Cllr Turner agreed to raise at next Living Levels Meeting.

Planning 10 mins

Ref	Applicant	Detail	Update
25/0113	Holly House Coast Road St Brides Wentlooge Newport NP10 8SQ	S73 APPLICATION TO REMOVE CONDITION 5 OF 10/1120 RETENTION OF REPLACEMENT DWELLING (AMENDED PROPOSAL FOLLOWING APPROVAL 08/1043	Proposal
24/0941	4 Bridesvale Gardens Church Road St Brides Wentlooge Newport	INSTALLATION OF AN AIR SOURCE HEAT PUMP	Application granted with conditions
Virtual sessions must register	Wentlooge Farmers' Solar Scheme Limited Site address: Land on the Wentlooge Levels to the West of Hawse Lane and the South of the Cardiff to Newport railway line	The Inspector has now reviewed all duly made representations in relation to the re-determination of the Application in respect of the Further Information submitted. After careful consideration she has decided that it is necessary to proceed with the topic specific Hearing	Sessions as follows: • Hearing Session 1: Wednesday 02 July 2025 at 10:30 - Ecology and Biodiversity • Hearing Session 2: Thursday 03 July 2025 at 10:30 - Planning Conditions

Clerk to reserve 3 places at PEDW hearing for Cllr Foster/Turner and Picton

Clerk to pull together objections prior to ensure Cllrs briefed

Cllr Foster requested handover with Neil Gunther on outstanding issues as Clerk currently manages

Further information available from Newport City Councils NCC) planning portal for full details of any planning applications submitted to NCC and search using the reference number<u>www.newport.gov.u</u>

Matters arising from the minutes

Update on meetings attended.

NCC Liaison Meeting

Police Update Superintendent Jason White

Increased school engagement with teams (capacity allowing) Increased presence at Lighthouse Park Hotspot funding covers (set by home office): Knife crime / Serious violence / ASB Pillars of the neighbourhood policing strategy: 20 mph; will focus on pre-existing 20mph areas + School areas.

Newport Marathon, 13th April

Includes half & full marathon, plus 10k junior + 10k Family fun run. Road closures: Usk way to be closed from 3am/ Other roads to be closed nearer 9am / Usk way open 3pm. Goldcliff etc to open by 2pm.

Helium Balloons Cllr Yvonne Forsey

Motion passed 21st Jan, banning any release of helium balloons on NCC land. Asking community councils to take discussion to CCs:

IRP Annual Report.

Renumeration for CCs. / Is the last IRP report before transfer

Next meeting 3rd July (Date may change as clash with OVW)

Possible agenda items: Fly tipping presentation (Saranne Phillips) Review of CC boundaries (done every 10 years) Please email with other agenda item

Meeting with Save the Six Bells Group

Chair reported on meeting with Save the Six Bells Group and request for funding – Clerk to seek advice from OVW and all agreed to meet Tuesday 01 April from 1800 – 1900 Peterstone Village Hall

Council Finances

Examination and Payment of Accounts including reconciliation at 28.02.25 Update from Audit Office regarding 23/24 audit and lack of response on queries

Method	Payee	Description	Amount
BACS	Clerk - Sara Nurse	February Salary 32 hours	£***
BACS	Clerk - Sara Nurse	March Salary 32 hours	£***
BACS	Vision ICT	Website hosting training and updates	£514.50
		*** Redacted GDPR	

Matters to note or review and agree 15 mins.

Item	Detail	Responsible
Update from NCC on signage and planter positioning	Accrued funds can be spent as follows after advice from One Voice Wales: Section 137 Signage Section 111 Local Government Plan for biodiversity Planters (with biodiversity measures adhered to) Litter Act 1983 section 5 and 6 Litter Bins	NM
Update on Policing in area from Jane Hutt Welsh Government Minister	Correspondence with Jayne Bryant MS confirming Police presence in Gwent from City Cllrs Funding has been confirmed for PCSOs for next financial year	Council noted
Consultation on Regional Transport Plan	Submission due by 19 May	Cllrs to meet to discuss on 01.04.25 1900 - 2000
Letter to Welsh Government on waste funding	Draft circulated for comment at last meeting Chair to follow up at next Chairs meeting	Chair
Application for Clerk position	Nikki Malpas recruited and will commence handover at this meeting – All welcomed Nikki and wished her luck in her new role. Clerk noted a robust handover was in place that included an induction plan, handover and workflow. Clerk will cc Cllrs on all handover documents for completeness	For information
Changes to Litter Picking	Consideration for insurance and setting up a group – Clerk to enquire with Zurich if we can be covered as WCC members	Clerk
Cardiff City Council Local Development Plan Consultation	Consultation on the next stage of the Cardiff Replacement Local Development Plan (RLDP). A formal public consultation on the Deposit Plan begins on the 18th February 2025 and runs for 8 weeks to 15th April 2025.	For consideration due to proximity
Save The Six Bells Group Meeting	Date confirmed 01.04.25 – 1800-1900 Peterstone Village Hall	All
Update on Transport strategy Group	Captured additional issues and will be submitted to NCC	Clerk

Correspondence/Consultations 15 mins

Correspondence requesting support from Marie Curie and SSAFA for consideration – Council agreed to donate £100 to Marie Curie as active in community – further details required from SSAFA regarding where funds are distributed.

Cllr Turner requested an agenda item for April meeting to discuss 80th Anniversary of VE Day

To receive correspondence not specifically referenced on the agenda (Decisions cannot be taken in relation to matters raised under this agenda item).

Clerk to the Council clerk@wentloogecommunitycouncil.co.uk