

CALDICOT TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting of Planning & Resources Committee held at 6.30 pm on Tuesday, 13th April 2010 at Caldicot Town Council.

Present: Cllrs: D Evans, Mayor
P Watts, Deputy Mayor
C Ashwin
J Bond
A Easson
E Harvey
J Haskey
R J Higginson
A Perrett
M Stevens
R Stewart

[In attendance: G McIntyre, A Sandiford, Member of Public]

1 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllrs D Ashwin, K Harris, V Lloyd, S Webb

2 Declarations of Interest - To be identified under the relevant item/Forms to be completed

Cllrs A Easson and R J Higginson declared an interest in Caldicot Youth Group

3 Planning Applications Received – None at Date of Dispatch of Agenda

Town Council noted no Planning Applications received at date of dispatch of agenda.

4 Town Council Representatives on Outside Bodies [b/f TC 31.3.10]

Cllr J Bond updated Members on the following items discussed at recent CSAT meetings:

- street Pastors
- cycling in the pedestrianised area – Police to provide illuminated signs
- lane from Margretts Way – Budden Crescent
- CCTV camera at Oakley Way
- increased thefts from unsecured cars
- cycling route/lane adjacent to Town Council building
- links for wards re: PACT meetings

It was resolved:

- i) that the street pastors address Town Council**
- ii) to request Mon CC replace missing signs to indicate No 4 cycle path**

Cllrs D Evans and R J Higginson declared an interest in Monmouthshire Housing Assoc.

Cllr J Bond stated she was unable to attend Mon CC Admissions Forum meetings and requested a replacement be nominated.

It was resolved to agenda replacement representative to Mon CC Admissions Forum for Town Council meeting 28.4.10 and to commence the meeting at 6pm due to addresses to Members under Suspended Proceedings.

5 To Consider Provision of Cemetery Path [b/f TC 31.3.10] [Circ]

A discussion ensued regarding unsightly trafficking marks caused by grave digging machinery at the cemetery. Reference was made to the severe winter weather conditions.

Members were advised that the diseased tree near to the turning area at the cemetery had been removed.

It was resolved to hold a site meeting at the cemetery at 5.30pm on Monday 19th April 2010 pending reconsideration of this item at Town Council meeting 28.4.10.

6 King George V Playing Fields [b/f TC 31.3.10]

a) To Consider Provision of Play Equipment for Age 10 +

Town Council considered examples of play equipment for age 10+, circulated at the meeting.

A discussion ensued and it was requested if Mon CC should be providing play equipment for the youth at various other parks in the town.

It was requested if Town Council was eligible to apply for grant funding.

It was resolved:

- i) that a questionnaire be devised for Caldicot School pupils and local youth groups to complete in order to ascertain what type of play equipment persons 10+ would like to be considered**
- ii) to investigate the possibility of grant funding via Mr T Bradfield, Mon CC**

A discussion also ensued regarding potential uses for Town Council compound.

It was resolved to agenda consideration of uses for Town Council compound for TC meeting 31.4.10

7 To Consider Section 137 Grant Application – Caldicot Youth Group [CYG] [Circ]

Town Council considered at length, grant application for £4,000 from Caldicot Youth Group.

A Member requested clarification re: timing of consideration of grant applications as per the recommendation of Town Council's internal auditor

It was resolved:

- i) to donate £4,000 to Caldicot Youth Group as set aside in Estimates Committee 10.11.09**
- ii) to request a copy of Caldicot Youth Group 2009/10 accounts when available**
- iii) to request future applications be received at the correct time to comply with Town Council Grant Application procedures**

Cllrs A Easson and R J Higginson declared an interest in this matter and left the room.

8 To Nominate Minor Authority Representative to West End Governors

It was resolved to defer this item to Town Council meeting 28.4.10.

9 a) Correspondence Mon CC Re: General Election 2010

Town Council noted the above correspondence from Mon CC.

b) Correspondence Residents Re: General Election 2010

It was resolved to refer residents' concerns regarding disabled access at Castle Park Primary School polling station to Mon CC.

10 Committee – To consider exclusion of the public and press from the meeting during consideration of the following item in accordance with Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information

i) To consider response from Caldicot AFC re: Maintenance [b/f TC 31.3.10] [Circ] following quotations from Town Council contractors [Circ]

A lengthy discussion ensued regarding maintenance and reinstatement works and costs at KGVPF

User Sub-Committee Group KGPVF updated Members on recent meetings held with Caldicot AFC.

The Clerk updated Members in relation to the condition of the fields following reports from Town Council grounds contractors and maintenance costs to Town Council.

It was resolved:

- i) to accept offer of payment of £2,250 towards reinstatement and future maintenance works from Caldicot AFC via direct debit arrangement until May 2011**
- ii) to review arrangements with Caldicot AFC in May 2011**
- iii) that Town Council contractors work together to undertake work to the fields in this instance**

Cllrs A Easson and M Stevens declared an interest in this matter

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Mayor/Deputy Mayor