

NANTYGLO & BLAINA TOWN COUNCIL CYNGOR TREF NANT-Y-GLO A BLAENAU

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Minutes of the Planning & Highways Committee Meeting held via a remote meeting at 1pm on Tuesday 13th April 2021

A meeting to which members of the public were entitled to attend.

Present: Councillor D Hillman, Chair of Planning & Highways Committee, presiding
Councillors K Jones, K. Jenkins, C. Hillman, R. Pagett and L. Harris

In attendance: Mrs T Hughes, Town Clerk / RFO
Mrs N Horner, Assistant Officer

Prior to the commencement of the Meeting, the Chair lead the Council in a one minute's silence in respect of the death of Prince Phillip, the Duke of Edinburgh. Resolved to note that this was observed.

Prior to the start of the meeting, the Town Clerk informed that there were no members of the public in attendance. **Resolved** to note the information received.

Declaration of Interest

Members were invited to declare matters of interest either at the beginning or at any time during the proceedings. Members were reminded that all declarations of interest must be recorded in the book provided. **Resolved** to note that no such declarations were received.

1. Apologies for absence:

Members were invited to consider the apologies for absence and to formally resolve to accept. **Resolved** to note that apologies were received from Councillors G Morvan; K Treharne; L Emanuel, G. Watkins and M. Williams.

A discussion ensued regarding non attendee members and it was suggested for Town Clerk to telephone individuals to enquire if the time of the meetings or other factors was an issue. **Resolved** that the Town Clerk contact absent Members.

Further Resolved to accept the apologies received.

2. Correspondence:

Members were invited to consider the listed correspondence, plus with the Chairman's permission, any urgent information that might be received prior to the date of the meeting.

a) Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council (for information):

i Letter informing of an Appeal Under s78 Against Refusal of a Householder Application (Medhurst Court, 1 Farm Road, Nantyglo – plan no. C/2020/0277).

Members were informed that the planning application was considered by the Town Council at a meeting of the Planning Committee held on 8th December 2020 and that it was resolved that there were no representations or objections to be made.

Resolved to note the information received.

ii E-mail informing of Second call for Candidate Sites and Further information.

Cllr C Hillman expressed that the email received was in a font size that was not readable and therefore suggested that future emails be sent in a larger print. Town Clerk confirmed that unfortunately, the size of print that email received was something that staff were not able to alter.

In response to a query, Chair confirmed that it was a site that someone proposed to the council for inclusion in the Local Development Plan. Any use of land could be proposed for development.

It was requested if the relevant website could be checked for any inclusion of sites within Nantyglo and Blaina.

Resolved to note the information received. **Further Resolved** to request e-mails in a larger font and **Additionally Resolved** that the appropriate website be checked for details of any candidate sites within Nantyglo and Blaina.

b) Gwent Police:

E-mail received from Gwent Police in respect of possible monitoring/action of traffic and speeding at Chapel Road, Nantyglo.

Town Clerk had received an email from Cllr' G Watkins with following details, concerning the speed cameras at Chapel Road Nantyglo. "For many years this has been an ongoing case for discussion in Labour Party meetings and she can concur that speeding on this section of the road remains a real issue which causes concern for the safety of pedestrians and drivers. PCSO Jo Robins stated (via e-mail) that the presence of a speed camera van successfully slowed down traffic. People living in the area would agree with this but that whilst the van was there during the daytime the problem arose mainly in the evening when no van was present. To gauge an accurate picture would require a van to be parked in the location during the early and late evening. The offer of monitoring with a speed gun was welcomed but would add that this should be done during the evening and not just during the day. It was also queried if this was an appropriate task for appropriate for volunteers although residents views on this was unknown. Cllr Watkins would support any suggestions or action that the Town Council agrees on in this matter to support Mr. Lee Thomas and other residents".

Members suggested that "Go Safer Site" be contacted to see if it was possible to get a mobile camera at site during the evening.

Resolved to contact the relevant department and request speed monitoring at Chapel Road during evenings.

c) Brecon Beacons National Park Authority (for information):

E-mails received informing of the Brecon Beacons National Park Management Plan Review – Consultations on Policy Documents.

Chair suggested that if members would like to participate to contact Town Clerk.

Resolved to note the information received.

3. Planning Applications:

Members were invited to consider any further applications that may be received prior to the date of the meeting.

a) *None received to date.*

Resolved accordingly.

4. Licence Applications:

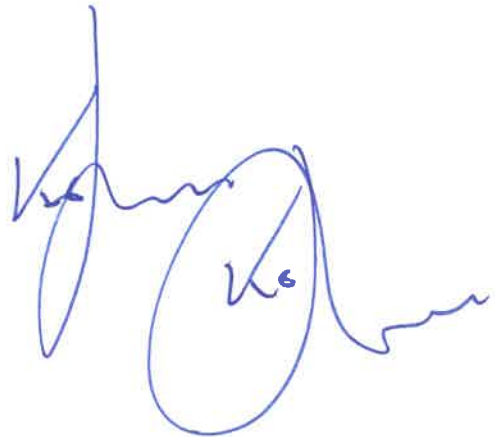
Members were invited to consider the application(s):

a) *None received to date.*

Resolved accordingly.

Meeting declared closed at 13:21

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