

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

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## Minutes of the Highways and Planning Committee Meeting held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

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

Present: Councillor D Hillman, Chairman, Presiding  
Councillors C Bridgeman; K Jones; R Abbas; K Treharne; L Harris;  
C Hillman; K Jenkins; T McKnight; G Morvan

In attendance: Mrs T Hughes, Town Clerk/RFO

### 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** that Councillor D Hillman declared an interest in Item 4a. **Further Resolved** that Councillor D Hillman remains in the Chamber for this item.

At the beginning of the meeting, Councillor Hillman explained the fire procedures and regulations in place should an emergency occur.

### 1. Apologies for absence:

Members were invited to consider the apologies for absence received and to formally resolve to accept.

**Resolved** that apologies were received from Councillors R Pagett, G Watkins, E Morgan, H Roberts.

**Further Resolved** to accept apologies.

### 2. Correspondence:

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

#### a) Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council

##### i Civil Parking Enforcement – Statutory & Public Consultation.

Members commented on this item and it appeared that there would be a two-week warning period beginning 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019. A member queried whether it was an offence to park on a narrow pavement. The Town Clerk reminded members that they were all sent the details of confirmation.

A member queried whether a map book could be accessed by the Town Council.

Members additionally queried the surplus money and whether it would go to the Highways Authority or another source, members also queried how this would be audited.

**Resolved** that the Town Clerk query access to a map book. **Further Resolved** that a query in respect of surplus money be made.

- ii Planning Permission Approval in respect of memorial benches at Nantyglo and Blaina.

Members were informed that land ownership for both sites had been checked by the Clerk. A member queried whether it would be possible to mention that these benches are for 'those in all wars.'

**Resolved** to note the information received.

- iii E-mail response to consultation in respect of Royal Exchange, Blaina (planning application no. C/2018/0303).

Members expressed concerns with car parking provisions in respect of this property and commented that there would need to be more car parking provision to be adequate. Members were not happy with the response provided by the Planning Department.

**Resolved** that the members' comments be forwarded to Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council.

### 3. Planning Applications:

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

- a) Plan application no. C/2019/0115 – 51 Lakeside Way, Nantyglo:

First floor side extension and single storey rear extension.

**Resolved** that no objections or representations be made.

- b) Plan application no. C/2019/0122 – Land East of Blaina Road, Brynmawr:

Outline planning application for the erection of residential dwellings (up to 25 units), a drive thru restaurant and associated works with all matters reserved other than a means of access at Land East of Blaina Road, Brynmawr.

Condition(s) – Removal:

Condition 12 – Highways Justification note (WYG April 2019)

Members made several comments in respect of this application. Members queried the disruption to the road and traffic when roadworks commence and had concerns in respect of highways developments due to limited scale development. Members noted that there were conflicting statements in respect of 10% social housing. Members additionally commented that the application is confusing in respect of sites and applications and that no entrance/exit was highlighted on the map provided. Members expressed concerns of safety in respect of footpaths.

**Resolved** that the above comments and representations be made.

#### 4. **Licence Applications:**

Members are invited to consider the application(s):

- a) Ross Townley – ‘Ambleside’ 8 Monmouth Road, Abergavenny (applicant)  
Application for a new Small Society Lottery Licence  
In respect of Cwmcelyn Angling Club, Cwmcelyn, Blaina.

Councillor D Hillman declared an interest in this item. **Resolved** that Councillor D Hillman remain in the room but not take part in this item. **Further Resolved** that Councillor G Morvan take this item. Members queried the responsibility for the footpath/area around the path.

**Resolved** that no objections or representations be made. **Further Resolved** that a letter be written to Mr Townley in respect of the footpath.

#### 5. **Forthcoming Events:**

##### 19<sup>th</sup> June 2019:

Primary Schools Talent Showcase is to be held at Blaen y Cwm Primary School commencing at 6pm.

Town Mayor, Councillor K Jones apologised that he would not be available for this event, therefore Councillor D Hillman would take his place as Deputy Mayor. Additionally, apologies were received from L Harris and K Treharne. Mr Stephen Bower, BGfm would provide MC services for the evening and Miss Gracie Fitzgerald would perform as guest artist.

**Resolved** to note the information received.

##### June / July 2019:

Nantyglo and Blaina in Bloom

Last date for applications is Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2019 with judging to take place 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

Members were informed that applications and posters were available for distribution and had been delivered to all local schools.

**Resolved** to note the information received.

##### 13<sup>th</sup> July 2019:

Flower, Fruit and Veg Show to take place at Blaina Community Centre (tbc) on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

The Town Clerk informed members of dates and times that the Community Centre would be available. A member expressed that they would prefer if the show took place on 13<sup>th</sup> July, however several members thought that more time would be needed. The Town Clerk informed members that she would be unavailable between 3<sup>rd</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> August due to annual leave. Councillor Morvan informed members that he would be unavailable 3<sup>rd</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> August and additionally Councillors K Treharne and L Harris would be unavailable for 3<sup>rd</sup> August. Members requested that the title on the poster be Flower, Fruit and Veg with Craft Show.

**Resolved** that the Flower and Veg Show take place on 10<sup>th</sup> August 2019 between 11.30am-6pm at Blaina Community Centre.

Members were reminded that help and assistance is required from Members.

**Resolved** to note the information received.

*Councillor Harris left the meeting at this juncture.*

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