

MITCHEL TROY UNITED COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of the meeting held remotely on Tuesday 10 November 2020 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs: G Connor*, R Hill*, C Knight, V Long, (Chair) A Morgan, R Morgan, P Penny*

Clerk: L Parker

***Remote meeting software problems prevented these councillors from attending the whole meeting which dissolved at approximately 8.05pm and resumed at approximately 8.30pm quorate but lacking two councillors.**

20722 Apologies for absence – None

20723 Declarations of Interests – None

20724 Police Report – for the month of October

05/10 – Used drug needle found in the play area on Mitchell Troy road

08/10 – Wanted male located and arrested on Mitchell Troy road

16/10 – Vehicle hit a deer on Wonastow Road (rural)

17/10 – Caravan unhitched and crashed in Mitchell Troy

28/10 – Stables broken into in Cwmcarnan, various electrical garden equipment and quad bike taken

28/10 – Suspicious male hanging around Dingestow

20725 Minutes of the meeting held on 13 October – were approved for signature

20726 Matters arising from the minutes of 13 October *for information only*

20655 Upgrading Website –final version still awaited – Covid-19 problems

20215 Accounts software – one package demonstrated another still to be set up. See below

20727 Planning applications :

-01378, Mitchel Troy, 5 Hillside Close – construction of detached garden room – no obj rec approval but would be better behind garage.

-01416, Tregare, 2, Castle View – two storey rear extension and front porch – concerns about loss of amenity (sunlight) to the adjoining neighbour – rec. approval as long as the planning officer is satisfied this is not an issue

20728 Planning Applications received since preparation of agenda – None

20729 Planning decisions by MCC, the following was **Noted:**

-01215, Croes Robert Farm, Penrhos to Trellech Road, breach of Ag. Occupancy condition - Approved

20730 MCC planning decisions received since preparation of agenda:

-00900, Pen yr Heol, Comyn Farmhouse, Demolish conservatory, rear single storey extn.

Canopy over porch, replacement det. Garage – Approved

-01313, Tregare, Llwyn y Gaer Farm, Ag building to house biomass boiler andwood chip store - Approved

20731 Accounts Software

The Clerk has had an online demonstration of Scribe which seems a good package, covering all the council need, in addition payroll is due to be added in 2021. So far other providers have made contact but a demonstration has not yet been arranged. It was **Agreed** that the Clerk would seek a free trial period of software with a view to trialling it during December; subject to a satisfactory trial the Clerk is authorised to order software up to a cost of £300 pa.

20732 Traffic Calming and Road Safety in Mitchel Troy

The speed of traffic through the village is an ongoing concern to local people and alternative traffic calming measures have not taken place. WAG’s report that all residential areas should have the 20mph restriction will, hopefully, strengthen the argument for the reduction **Agreed** letter to MCC

20733 Draft Budget 2020/21 – deferred for next meeting because of problems with electronic meeting.

20734 Accounts for payment

Current bank balance (less uncashed cheques): £25,615.08

Approval was given for the payment of the following cheques:

Chq no	Payee	Amount	Power to Pay
300108	Merlin Waste – dog bin emptying Invoices 4329	£42.25	Public Health Act 1875 s164 (LGA 1972, Sched 14 para 27)
300109	Playworks – Payroll service and HMRC Invoices 6883	£40.00	LGA 1972 s112
300110	Ms L Parker – Salary Nov	£347.60	LGA 1972, Sect 111
300111	HMRC for PAYE Nov (mth 8)	£86.80	LGA 1972 s111
300112	St Wonnows PCC– chyd Maint 2019 +2020	£1000.00	LGA 1972, Sect 215(1)&(2)
300113	St Michael’s PCC – Churchyard maintenance	£500.00	LGA 1972 s215(1)&(2)
300114	MCC – Summer Play Activities	£250.00	LGA 1972s145
300115	Vision ICT – website hosting	£150.00	LGA 1972 s111
300116	Cllr Allowance– P Penny	£150.00	LGA 1972 S 175; LA(Allowances for Members of Community Councils) (Wales) Regs 2003
300117	Cllr Allowance – V Long	£150.00	-Ditto-
300118	Cllr Allowance – G Connor	£150.00	-Ditto-
300119	Cllr Allowance – A Morgan	£150.00	-Ditto-
300120	Cllrs Allowance – R Hill	£150.00	-Ditto-
300121	Cllr Allowance – R Morgan	£150.00	-Ditto-
300122	Cllr Allowance – C Knight	£150.00	-Ditto-
	Month Total	£3466.65	

20735 Co-option to Cwmcarvan and Tregare Vacancies

It was **noted** that one or two people had expressed interest. Details to Clerk to make contact/invite to observe a (remote) meeting.

20736 Other reports

Mitchel Troy- Litter Bin requested near the new play area

Dingestow Litter bin not being emptied

20737 Correspondence received and circulated 13 October – 1o Nov 2020

MCC, Hand, M, - Monmouthshire Replacement LDP – revised consultation dates etc

MCC, Freeman, G – Emergency road closures Craig y Dorth

MCC, James, L, Halls Together RDP Project
MCC Lloyd, K Enforcement Lists

Police, Hughes, N, - Introduction of new Inspector for Monmouth area
OVW, Results of remote meeting survey
Scribe, Hodds, J, - example reports and demo
WAO, Media, Future Audit arrangements for town community councils – webinar 17
Nov
OVW, - Starleaf videoconferencing software etc – two months free trial
Police, Mason, S, - Crime Reports for October
SightCymru, Sight Loss Awareness Training
OVW, New Bulletin
WyeValleyAONB, Sawyer, S. – Sustainable Development Fund grants

20738 Highway matters

- **Mitchel Troy** – Hazeldene hedges overgrown – traffic hazard
- **Mitchel Troy** – ‘No HGV’ sign missing at the foot of Common Road
- **Mitchel Troy** – Back of footway opposite Toll House collapsing

20739 Urgent items at Chair’s discretion – none

20740 Next meeting: 7.30pm Tuesday 8 December - remotely

Meeting closed: 21.00