

**St Brides Major Community Council**  
**Minutes of the meeting held on**  
**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at All Saints Church, Southerndown.**

**1.Welcome and Apologies**

Present: Cllr A Morgan (Chair), H Morris (Vice Chair) Cllrs S Edwards, B Lewis, M Howell, R Eccles, A Parry (attended via Zoom), I Hughes (Clerk)

Apologies: S Evans, Martin Wynne Jones, R Stephens, A James, C Stallard (VOG), J Protheroe (VOG), PC J Williamson

**2.Declarations of Interest**

None declared

**3.Police Matters**

Apologies were received from PC Williamson. A written update will be provided for the minutes.

**4. Minutes of previous meeting: 10th march 2025**

One amendment was made to the previous minutes concerning the VOGC PSPO and agreed.

**5.Matters Arising**

**5.1 PSPO Ogmores by Sea:** It was confirmed that the communication and consultation process undertaken by the VOGC was inadequate. A letter had been sent to the VOGC raising these issues and a response received indicating that the Community Council would be kept fully informed as to the further consultation on this matter.

**5.2 Sports Pavillion:** The VOGC have now returned the keys for the pavilion following remedial work involving fire doors, ceiling, guttering and replacement of parts of the ceiling. Consultation with the VOGC is poor concerning the future of the building. A small amount of money is available from the VOGC to spend on the pavilion.

**5.3 Defibrillators:** New Defibrillator and cabinet now in situ in the us stop opposite the Farmers Arms. Cllr Stephens to liaise with Mr Casper (SCCC) to handover responsibility for defibrillator previously managed by SCCC. Cllr Parry confirmed that no training is required to operate this equipment.

**5.4 Annual Report:** The Community Councils Annual Report has been entered into the OWW Annual Awards to be judged in April 2025.

**5.5 Cattle Grid Handles:** Agreed remedial work to be carried by Cllrs Stephens and James.

**5.6 VE Day Celebrations:** Cllr H Morris updated the council on the preparations following the working group meeting. The beacon will be in OVH, flags will be purchased, and food and drink facilities have been agreed. Clerk to write to the local school for three volunteers to light the beacon. Local support services will need to be contacted e.g. Fire, Police, VOGC etc.

**5.7 VOGC Removal of Bins** Cllrs were very concerned regarding the lack of consultation and potential consequences concerning the removal of bins throughout the constituency. Many felt that this would increase the problem of litter and disposal of dog faeces due to the high number of dog walkers and tourists. Our VOGC councillors have agreed to meet with people to discuss the issue. The Clerk will write to the VOGC to express our disappointment and lack of consultation.

## **6.0 Correspondence**

### **6.1 Correspondence Received**

**Invite from BBC Radio Wales for an interview concerning the PSPO** – Clerk to ask for further details following which either Cllr Parry or Morris will attend.

**Overgrown Foliage** – Cllrs Howells and Morris to undertake a site visit to ascertain whether it is a highways issue or foliage from private property.

**OVW Membership** – The Council agreed to renew membership

**Parking Amendments** – noted

## **7. Planning**

### **7.1 Applications Received**

Planning Application No. 2025/00074/FUL (HUD) Location : 28, Marine Drive, Ogmores By Sea  
Proposal : Proposed two storey extensions and internal alterations. – **No comment**

Planning Application No. 2025/00051/FUL (CR) Location : The Milk Hut Adjacent Farmers Arms, Wick Road, St Brides Major, Bridgend  
Proposal : Extension to existing building and to expand the range of products sold on site using self-serve vending machines. – **No change to existing hours of opening to minimise potential disruption to local residents**

Planning Application No. 2025/00110/FUL (HUD) Location : 40, West Farm Road, Ogmores By Sea  
Proposal : Ground floor rear extension, a hip-to-gable roof conversion, and the addition of three front gable dormers along with a rear flat roof dormer and balcony area. – **No comment**

Planning Application No. 2024/01202/FUL (HUD) Location : Tymaen Farm, Cobbles Kitchen And Deli, Ogmores  
Proposal : Replacement of existing Wooden Cabin for A3 use in conjunction with adjacent Fish and Chip Shed. – **No comment**

**Please note No. 2024/01202/FUL: this is an amended application**

### **Planning Applications Approved**

Application No. 2024/01230/FUL Location : Maes Y Don, 18, Main Road, Ogmores By Sea  
Proposal : Expansion of the bungalow's first floor with a new dormer and extended roof to the rear of the property, with an enclosed balcony New roofs to existing utility and workshop.

Application No. 2024/00998/FUL Location : Three Golden Cups, Southerndown  
Proposal : Retention of onsite facilities

Application No. 2024/00098/LBC Location : Ogmore Farm, Ogmore Proposal : Proposed new windows in existing openings to match. Re-roof existing roof. Two new windows in stone walls. Removal of existing modern outhouse

## **8. Finance**

### **8.1 Financial Report**

See appendix 1

### **8.2 Budget Review**

No change to the year end position, we will end the year with a balance over the two accounts of approx. £26000 following some outstanding items concerning payments to the Clerk.

### **8.3 Approval of Payments:**

See appendix 2

Agreed.

Donation to RBL Cowbridge to be clarified with Cllr Wynne Jones

All donation requests will be collated for consideration at the Council's June meeting each year. The request for a donation from the Croquet Club has been declined as the Council's grants are meant as a help to kick start initiatives and organisations are expected to be sustainable in future years.

### **8.4 Scribe Accounts Package:**

A third person will need to be trained on the Burial Ground module of Scribe.

### **8.5 Finance Working Group:**

A response has been received from Audit Wales concerning our Annual Accounts. The Clerk will convene the Finance Working Group to review the findings and a report presented to the full council.

## **9. Grant Projects.**

All grant projects are now closed. The Council will review the projects involved to gauge whether they have provided benefits to the community and value for money.

## **10. Website**

Clerk to update with photographs

## **11. Burial Ground**

**11.1:** A meeting to be arranged for the Burial Ground Working Group.

## **12. Biodiversity & Environment**

**12.1 River Quality:** No update

**12.2 Biodiversity and Environment.**

There is a follow up (to the one held in OBS in January) climate change meeting at the 3 Golden Cups on 23rd March. I understand there is no formal agenda but the meeting provides an opportunity to gauge the community's "feel" for the problem.

## **13. Reports from Members**

### **13.1 Southerndown**

Litter pick (2hours) arranged for 16th March 2pm meet outside 3 Golden Cups.

Local residents dissatisfied with rubbish bin removals

Cricket club is extremely grateful that the CC has responded to Mr Kasper request to take over guardianship and maintenance of its defibrillator

### **13.2 Ogmore by Sea**

Issues raised concerning the lighting on the main road in Ogmore, overgrown foliage (see earlier note).

### **13.3 St Brides Major**

Nothing to report

## **14. Any Other Business**

Positive comments received regarding the first trial of Zoom for the council meeting. Further trials will be carried out prior to giving full access to councillors and the public.

## **15. Date of Next Meeting: April 14, 2025**

**The meeting closed at 20:42 hours.**