

# TREDEGAR TOWN COUNCIL

**Reporting of decisions and recommendations -  
Civic Meeting of Council held Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2021 at 6.30 p.m.**

**Present: Councillors G. James (Chair)**  
S. Rees  
A.E. Tippings  
M. Cross  
D.W.A. Howells  
D. Jones  
K. Phillips  
D. Rowberry  
J. Thomas  
H. Trollope  
S. Trollope  
M. Turner  
B. Willis

**In attendance: Clerk – Ms. C. Aherne**

**Apologies. Councillors T. Smith, E. Jones and G. Walters**

## **Declarations of Interest**

The Chair reminded Members to make their declarations as and when necessary.

## **To receive Mayor's report, as appropriate**

The Mayor reported on Civic matters arising and events attended since the last meeting of Council.

**To receive any verbal recommendations of all Sub-Committees / Working Party prior to this meeting:**

- **Budget Working Group - 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2021**

It was agreed that the recommendations of the Budget Working Group be progressed and updated position to be reported to the next meeting.

- **Civic Sub-Committee - 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2021**

Consideration of grant application forms completed by new applicants for appropriate recommendations to Council.

**Grants:**

Tredegar Orpheus Male Voice Choir - Any financial assistance received would be used towards the purchase of a defibrillator.

**2020/21 Nov'20 CQ No. 085 £200.00: *Deferred: approved in principle***

**b) To receive and consider grants to Churches & Chapels (s.137) - Grants as of 01.04.2017 now max £300.00** (*before awarding a grant Council must be satisfied the grant is being given for non-religious purposes with the building being for community use*) - None received.

**Correspondence**

*Councillor B. Willis declared an interest in the items relating to Licensing and Planning and took no part in discussion or voting thereon.*

Items of correspondence were received and noted accordingly.

*Councillor B. Willis declared an interest in the following item and took no part in discussion or voting thereon*

**Planning:**

List of planning applications received in week 45

List of planning applications received in week 46

**To consider Planning Applications submitted for Council's observations**

C/2021/0329: Construction of 3 new detached dwellings served by new shared driveway with parking provision for 2 cars on each plot and including landscaping and services as well as off site highway improvement works, land adjoining Park Hill, Park Hill, Tredegar.

**Observations:** Council objects on highway grounds; Inkerman Terrace adjoins a narrow strip of land and this could cause highway issues, with the loss of the turning area currently in place. Members could not envisage a viable solution that would work in respect of congestion and highway issues. There was also a possible issue in respect of over-development.

C/2021/0334: Conversion / refurbishment improvement and alterations of the existing community hall to accommodate a new independent living unit, Community Centre, Bill Harry Court, Charles Street.

**Observations:** No objections.

C/2021/0336: Demolition of lean-to garage and new double storey pitched roof extension to side with lean-to porch to front, 53 Golwg-y-Mynydd.

**No objections.**

C/2021/0343: Retention of bungalow as built, Plot 2 rear of Queen Victoria Street.

**No objections.**

C/2021/0348: Single storey side extension, 23 Bush Bach.

**No objections.**

C/2021/0350: Construction of two pods to create a co-working office hub, Bryn Bach Country Park, Merthyr Road.

**No objections.**

C/2021/0358: Application for prior notification of proposed demolition for a two-storey building 23 and 24 Stocktonville, property no longer complies with appropriate residential standards.

**Observations:** Members expressed concern that, should demolishing properties be more cost-effective than raising the premises to standard, this could set a precedent for the future, particularly as there were properties of similar construction throughout Tredegar. A Member said that, as a point of clarity, he understood the reason for demolition related to unstable ground conditions rather than construction.

Members agreed that greater clarification was needed as, if the need for demolition related to unstable ground, how would this affect other properties in the vicinity

**Updates regarding Bedwellty House and Park / Parc Bryn Bach - any issues to have been previously reported direct to the House Management / Aneurin Leisure personally**

Updates received and noted accordingly.

**Delegates: to receive and consider reports from Delegates to Outside Bodies and the recommendations of Sub-Committees / Working Parties:**

- a) **Joint Committee of Local Councils**
- b) **Gwent Valleys One Voice Wales**
- c) **One Voice Wales Larger Councils and AGM**
- d) **Tredegar Twinning**

- e) Pen Bryn Oer Community Fund**
- f) School Governing Bodies**
- g) Blaenau Gwent Heritage Forum**
- h) Blaenau Gwent CAB**
- i) Tredegar / Ebbw Vale Crime Prevention Panel**
- j) Tredegar Business Forum**
- k) VVP / Tredegar Heritage Initiative**

Updates received and noted accordingly.

**Matters of Local Interest or Concern (by prior notice)**

Matters received were noted accordingly.

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