



Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol  
MERTHYR TUDFUL  
MERTHYR TYDFIL  
County Borough Council

## MINUTES OF MEETING

# PLANNING AND REGULATORY FACT FINDING VISITS MEETING

**WEDNESDAY, 12TH JUNE, 2019**  
**MERTHYR TYDFIL GOLF CLUB, CLOTH HALL LANE,**  
**CEFN COED, MERTHYR TYDFIL**

**PRESENT:** Councillors: C Tovey (Chair)  
M Colbran (Vice-Chair)

Councillors: H Barrett, J Amos, D Chaplin, E Galsworthy,  
K Gibbs, C T Jones, G Lewis and S Thomas

**Officers:**  
G Morgan (Solicitor), D Cross (Principal Planning Officer),  
G Coughlan (Senior Assistant Engineer), G Hampson (Planning  
- Biodiversity), M Stark (Traffic Engineer) and M Phillips  
(Democratic Services Officer)

ITEM NO.	AGENDA MATTER	DECISION
1	Apologies for absence	Apologies for absence were received from Councillor J Thomas.
2	Declarations of Interest	No Declarations of Interest were received.
3	P/19/0038 - Merthyr Tydfil Golf Club, Cloth Hall Lane, Cefn Coed, Merthyr Tydfil, CF48 2NT	The Chair formally opened the meeting and referred to the Council's Constitution whereby the public in attendance are unable to address the committee.

		<p>The Planning Officer introduced the application to the committee, provided plans of the proposed site and highlighted the salient points within the report.</p> <p>The following questions were raised by the committee and were responded to by the appropriate officers in attendance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Does the authority have the powers to grant planning permission on common land or does the application have to be referred to the Planning Inspectorate</li> <li>• As the proposed site falls outside of the Local Development Plan (LDP) should the application be referred to Full Council</li> <li>• Can the Officers in attendance confirm where the settlement boundary ends in relation to this application</li> <li>• One of the objections relates to the application being within a Site of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC) and a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) can more information be provided in relation to both the SINC and the SSSI</li> <li>• Is the term countryside location subjective</li> <li>• Is the area part of the Councils Open Space Strategy</li> <li>• Clarity was sought in relation to the objection received from the Engineering &amp; Traffic Group Leader during the consultation.</li> <li>• Can the officers confirm whether there is only one access point into the site</li> <li>• It was questioned whether the application would form part of the Councils Tourism Strategy</li> </ul>
4	Any other business deemed urgent by the Chair	The Chair thanked the Officers and Councillors for their attendance and advised that there was no other business deemed urgent and closed the meeting.