

CYNGOR CYMUNED CILYCWYM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held at Capel y Groes on Wednesday 2nd November, 2021 at 7.30 p.m.

Present:

Chairman: Councillor J. Pickup

Councillors: Eurwyn Lewis, Aled Edwards, Mathew Paul, Arwel Davies

1. Ymddiheuriadau a datganiad o fudd/Apologies and Declaration of Interest**Ymddiheuriadau/Apologies**

Councillor M. Davies

Datganiad o fudd/Declaration of Interest

Councillor Aled Edwards – Menter Cilycwm

Councillor J. Pickup – Holiday let caravans, etc.

Councillor M. Paul – Penstacan (8/21)

2. Cofnodion y cyfarfod a gynhaliwyd 7 Medi, 2021/Minutes of the meeting held 7th September, 2021

Minutes accepted as correct.

It was suggested inviting PCSO Stephen Griffiths to the next meeting.

3. Materion yn codi o'r cofnodion/Matters arising from the minutes:**(i) Cilycwm Notice Board**

Councillor M. Paul was continuing to make further enquiries with Carmarthenshire County Council.

(ii) Water supply in Cilycwm

Mr Steffan James, Dwr Cymru, had agreed to attend a site meeting in order to receive any updates. The Clerk to obtain suitable dates, the meeting would be held during the day.

(iii) Broadband

Nothing definite to report. The Clerk to contact Jonathan Edwards to assist with making further enquiries. Not everyone had signed up and there was no sign of any plans in place.

(iv) Holiday let, caravans, etc.

Councillor M. Davies had been unable to attend this meeting, therefore this would be postponed again until the next meeting.

(v) Defibrillator for Siloh and Towy Bridge

The Clerk had obtained quotes for the two defibrillators, Calon Hearts were giving a total of £600.00 towards the cost of the two machines. It was agreed that one would be placed in Siloh and the other at Towy Bridge. Councillor J. Pickup to be responsible for locating a position for the defibrillator at Towy Bridge and it was agreed to place the defibrillator at Siloh near the Notice Board. The defibrillator battery will need to be changed after 5 years at a cost of approximately £200.00 and the pads which have a 5 year life span from date of manufacture (3 year guarantee) need changing at either date of expiry or after each use at a cost of approximately £45.00. All this information and further details were sent to each Community Councillor prior to the meeting to ensure that we were ordering the correct equipment. The advice was sent to us from Calon Hearts and the total cost would be £2,458.00. It was discussed and agreed to purchase the two defibrillators.

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On advice received from the British Heart Foundation we would need to provide “keepers” for each Defibrillator and complete the necessary paperwork in order to ensure that the machines were always in perfect working order.

(c) Litter Bins for Towy Bridge area

A request for an additional litter bin at Towy Bridge and been sent to the Refuse and cleansing Department for their action and reply.

4. Gohebiaeth/Correspondence:

CAVS – Community Centre Network WIFI

Local taxes for second homes

Emergency Road Closure C2163

Temporary Road Closure C2157

Latest News CCC

OVW – Government Survey Community Council

OVW – Self Evaluation Toolkit – Community Councils

OVW – Local places for nature starter pack

West Wales population assessment

All above sent by email

OVW – Resolution on Protocol

OVW – update

OVW – Protect our natural resources (course)

Assessment of Local well-being

IRP – report consultation

5. Materion Ariannol/Financial Matters

(i) Adroddiad Ariannol/Financial Report

Audit update

Wales Audit Office have not completed the Audit for 2020/2021 and each Community Council was given a special notice to be placed on their website.

IRP form to sign

Every Community Council had requested to accept the £150.00 expenses that was offered towards internet costs, etc. The Clerk to forward payment to everyone in the post after the meeting.

(ii) Cais am Arian/Request for financial support

All requests to be discussed at the next face to face meeting.

(iii) Cadarnhau Taliadau/Confirmation of Payments

Each Councillor to be paid the £150.00 offered by the IRP to cover internet, etc. expenses.

The Clerks wages/HMRC were due in December.

(iv) Derbyniadau/Receipts

None.

(v) Biliau I'w Talu/Bills for payment

None.

6. Materion Cymunedol/Community Matters

A meeting had been held in the Fetry, with different members looking at different Projects and the Capital that was available.

An electric and asbestos survey had been carried out. Grant bid had been sent to Cadw to apply for the removal of the asbestos, the problem was mostly downstairs. Thanks to our County Councillor they had been successful in their application for a grant for heaters.

The removal of some of the Pews had been agreed, and there were many challenges in place, a mother and toddler group was interested in using the Chapel.

Broadband is needed at a cost of approximately £24.95 per month, a connection date was very slow in being offered. It was unanimously agreed that the Community Council would assist with these costs and the insurance. This was proposed by Councillor M. Paul and seconded by Councillor A. Davies.

A group would create “a Christmas Buzz” in the village, not fundraising but a “Community spirit”. It was difficult at the moment to organise a Carol Service, but the singing of Christmas Carols could be a possibility.

7. Materion Cynllunio/Planning Matters

Application E/40793

8. Llwybrau Cyhoeddus & Priffyrdd/Public Footpaths and Highway Issues

Footpaths near Home Farm

An email had been received from Jason Lawday stating that he had now received a reply from NRW:

“The work at the Home Farm site (called the “String of Pearls” will be completed this Autumn. I don’t know if this means that the path is still blocked or not. There was also a landslip that affected path 8/2 in Cwm Rhaeadr forest which they were supposed to have sorted out with their own staff, but haven’t been able to, so now they get down with contractors.

Cwm Rhaedr/Aberhosan

The Chairman had reported to the PRWM regarding the broken bridge decking (path 8/2 bridge at SN761424). It has been logged in as issue number 12952 and will be attended to by the Ranger for the area as soon as he able to do so.

Footpath 8/21 – Penstacan

The downgrading of this footpath was discussed briefly and the owners were seeking legal advice.

9. Other Matters

(d) Salt/Grit boxes

The Clerk to contact Carmarthenshire County Council regarding ensuring that the Salt/Grit boxes were being filled.

(e) Sale of land/grant for planting trees

A lengthy discussion expressed everyone's concerns regarding the grants that were available from the Government regarding the purchase of land which was then being used to plant trees and not for agricultural use. The land was then sold at a considerable profit.

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(f) Land near Greenlodge and Mill House

A piece of this land had been sold to developers but was now overgrown, the Clerk to contact Carmarthenshire County Council, but it is the landowner's responsibility.

10. Date of next meeting

The next meeting to be held at Capel y Groes on Tuesday 4th January, 2022.

The meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.

