

PONTARFYNACH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Thursday 2 July, 2015

A meeting was held with the following present:

Alun Jenkins (in the Chair), Brython Davies, Jane Hopkins, Phil Lloyd, James Raw.

1. APOLOGIES:

Eluned Evans, Rhodri Jenkins, Elise Powell, Cllr. Rhodri Davies.

2. MINUTES, 4th JUNE, 2015

The minutes were confirmed as correct, proposed by Jane Hopkins and seconded by Brython Davies.

3. MATERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- (a) **Red Phone Boxes.** The Clerk reported that she had received information from Llanfair Clydogau Community Council and apparently it is quite straight forward to adopt a kiosk. It was noted how important it is to adopt the kiosks to keep as a historical item within the community. Following discussions, it was decided that the Clerk contact BT confirming that the Community Council are interested in adopting the phones in Trisant and Cwmystwyth. Phil Lloyd proposed the resolution and seconded by Brython Davies.
- (b) **Recycling and waste bin lorries:** Jane Hopkins reported that there had been a problem with the collection of black bin bags from a selection of houses on the road between Devil's Bridge and Cwmystwyth, in which they hadn't had a collection for a few weeks. The Clerk to contact the County Council regarding the issue.
- (c) **Water at Cwmystwyth**
The Clerk reported that an officer of the County Council had completed tests on the water in question at Gate Cottage but the results had not been received to date.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) The following planning applications were discussed:
 - (i) A150442 Ground Floor Extension, Glantrisant, Trisant.
Following discussion, it was resolved that there was no objection to the above proposals.
 - (ii) A150441 Electricity Lines, Nant Cwm Du Hydro.
James Raw declared an interest during discussions of the above.
Following discussion, it was resolved that there were no objection to the above proposal.

(iii) A15029 Alterations and extension to an existing dwelling, including outbuildings and garden structures. Tynglog, Cwmystwyth.

Following discussion members of the Community Council decided that there was no objection in principle for the modernisation of these small stone cottages but the proposed extensions and garden buildings within this application seem to be overpowering the Cottage with dark grey corrugated cladding and is not in keeping with other cottages in the area.

Using excessive modern materials on a traditional Welsh Bwthyn is not befitting to their surroundings and character.

- (b) Website: Correspondence was received from the National Library of Wales enquiring if the Community Council was interested in including the website as part of a website archive. Following discussion, it was decided to include the website within the archive and the Clerk to complete the relevant paper work.
- (c) Public Toilets at Devil's Bridge
It was understood that at present it was not possible to have the public toilets open during the winter months. After discussions, it was resolved that the Clerk would contact the County Council to extend the current opening hours of the toilets during the Summer months.
- (d) The Clerk referred to correspondence that was received from the Welsh Government bringing Members attention to the Health of the Public (Wales) Bill – *Provision of Toilets available for public use. This is a Bill that places responsibility on every local authority in Wales to prepare and publicise strategies of the provision of toilets available for public use within their areas.*
- (e) Correspondence was received from the Department of Energy and Climate Change relating to the Implementation Regulations 2008 (as amended) and infrastructure planning (Rules of procedure Audit Regulations 2010 (as amended). Application by Mynydd y Gwynt Limited for development consent at Mynydd y Gwynt Farm. The correspondence highlights that additional information had been received concerning the above application.
- (f) Information was received from the Planning Inspectorate in regards to "*Dyfed County Council - Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 - Definitive Map Reclassification Order 1991 "Upper Llanfihangel" Rups 20/37, 20/38, 20/44.*

5. FINANCE

It was reported that there was £346.88 in the current account and £8,650.37 held in the saving account on that particular day.

6. ANY OTHER MATTER

- (a) Attention was drawn that the hedge near the purple house near Nantwatkin, Cwmystwyth needed cutting as it was overgrowing into the road, making driving conditions dangerous.

It was also reported that a leylandii tree was growing out into the footpath opposite the Monument in Devil's Bridge.

The Clerk to draw the attention of the County Council to the above.

- (b) It was noted also that the 'for sale' sign of a local estate agent was obstructing visibility for drivers joining the A4120 from the B4343 by the Monument in Devil's Bridge.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 3rd September, 2015 in Mynach School.