

CYNGOR BRO PONTARFYNACH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Thursday 11th April, 2019 am 7.30 p.m.

Meeting was held at Mynach School with the following present:

Jane Hopkins (in the Chair); Brython Davies, Robert Davies, Phil Lloyd, Gareth Jones, Robert Pratt and Cllr. Rhodri Davies.

1. **APOLOGIES**

Eluned Evans, Rhodri Jenkins,

2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Members were reminded of the need to declare an interest if a situation arises.

3. **MINUTES**

Meeting of 3rd March, 2019

The minutes were confirmed as a true record of the meeting which was proposed by Gareth Jones and seconded by Robert Pratt with the following amendments to minute 4 (f) regarding the Flag Pole - in that both Robert Pratt and Robert Davies had been in discussions with local residents.

4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

- (a) There were still outstanding items that require attention in the area, the Clerk to follow up on these issues and to keep them on the agenda during future meetings.
- (b) Red Phone Kiosk at Trisant
O. Evans has completed the work of restoring the Red Telephone Kiosk in Trisant following storm damage.
- (c) Electrical Power Points and Cycle Repair Stations
The Clerk reported that there were no updates regarding the use of the land outside the toilet/recycling block to install the above items.
- (d) Public Footpaths
There were no further updates to report on those mentioned in previous minutes with the Clerk to monitor the situation.
- (e) Defibrillators
The Clerk referred to communication received from the British Heart Foundation referring that there could be an opportunity for grant funding to obtain a defibrillator for Trisant but that the window for grant applications wasn't until May. The Clerk to make an application at the appropriate time before purchasing the equipment.
- (e) There hedges at Cwmystwyth still require cutting back as well as the deep pothole in the road outside the Chapel in Cwmystwyth and the deep potholes on the right-hand side of the entrance to the recycling area at Devil's Bridge.

5. FINANCE

- (a) Invoice received from O. Evans for work of restoring the Kiosk at Trisant for £2250.00. The quotation received was for £1950.00 but the work carried out was more than expected. It was decided to pay the invoice which was proposed by Phil Lloyd and seconded by Robert Pratt.
The Community Council claimed on the insurance policy for the work undertaken and a payment of £1850.00 was received which has been paid into the bank account, based on the quotation with £100.00 excess. The Clerk to make further contact with the insurance company to enquire if the additional sum can be claimed back.
- (b) An invoice for £72.00 was received from G. Jones for undertaking remedial work on the Monument Railings. It was resolved to pay the invoice which was proposed by Brython Davies and seconded by Phil Lloyd.
- (c) The Community Council resolved to ask Ms Gill Styles as an Internal Auditor to verify the Community Council Accounts. The Clerk to issue Ms Styles with a letter of the requirements.

6. Planning Application: A190162 – Rhostyddyn Fawr, Devil’s Bridge Erect a poly tunnel for agricultural use.

Following discussion it was resolved that there was no objection to the temporary application from the Community Council.
Jane Hopkins declared an interest and left the room during discussions. Gareth Jones undertook the role of Chair during this item.

7. COMMUNICATION

Letter of appreciation received from Cylch Meithrin Penllwyn for the financial donation.

Information received from Ceredigion County Council that Street Light Ducting are to be installed on the footway currently underway at Devil’s Bridge, from Spring Hill towards Hafod Hotel.

Ceredigion County Council responded to an enquiry regarding the collection of waste/recycling material not collected on a public side road in Rhosygell. It was felt that the response did not answer the enquiry. The Clerk to follow up.

8. ANY OTHER MATTER

- (a) Further to previous discussions within the Community Council of re-painting the two Mile Stones in the area (one by Llain and the other by the Woodlands which had CADW restrictions) a letter of confirmation was received from Ceredigion County Council to proceed with the work as long as the original feature and colour was kept. After discussion it was felt that the only Mile Stone that required re-painting was the one by Llain. The Clerk to make arrangements for the work to be carried out.
- (b) A dip in the road has appeared near the entrance to Ochr Rhos, the Clerk to report the matter to Ceredigion County Council.
- (c) Reference was made to the damage sustained to the Bridge at Devil’s Bridge from an articulated lorry, which had been reported at the time to Ceredigion County Council. Following discussion enquires to be made what is the weight restriction on the Bridge?
- (d) The footpath from the Railway Station at Devil’s Bridge towards Spring Hill is covered in leaves and quite slippery and hazardous, especially with the roadwork signs erected there.

Regarding the road works it seems that the bollards placed around the road works are being moved at night and weekends for the parking of vehicles which is a danger to other road users. The Clerk to report the above to Ceredigion County Council for action prior to the Easter Holidays.

- (e) Two street lights in at Pwllpeiran, Cwmystwyth have been removed. Enquires to be made with Ceredigion County Council why they have been removed without consultation of the Local Member and the Community Council.
- (f) A request was received from Members of Hafod Church for a letter of support in principle to their application for grant funding for restoration work on Ysgoldy Goch. The request was supported.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting to be held on Thursday 2nd May 2019 at Mynach School with the AGM followed by the monthly meeting.