

CYNGOR BRO PONTARFYNACH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Thursday 3rd January, 2019 am 7.30 p.m.

Meeting was held at Mynach School with the following present:

Eluned Evans, (Chairman); Robert Davies, Jane Hopkins, Phil Lloyd and Robert Pratt.

1. APOLOGIES

Brython Davies, Rhodri Jenkins Gareth Jones, Cllr. Rhodri Davies

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

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

3. MINUTES

Meeting of 1st November, 2018

The minutes were confirmed as a true record of the meeting which was proposed by Jane Hopkins and seconded by Robert Davies.

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
The Clerk updated Members that the contractor will be undertaking repair work within the coming weeks.
- (c) Electrical Power Points and Cycle Repair Stations
The Clerk referred to communication received from Officers of Ceredigion County Council regarding permission of usage of the land on the toilet site at Devil's Bridge. When the toilet block was built there were conditions regarding the use and easement of land at the site. Officers will be making contact with the original vendor and Grantor of Easement regarding further usage of the land for the purpose of Electrical Power Points and Cycle Repair Stations.
Eluned Evans declared a personal interest and withdrew from the room.
- (d) Public Footpaths
There were no further updates to report on those mentioned in previous minutes with the Clerk to monitor the situation. It was also noted that the footpath sign has broken at the entrance to the mart at Devil's Bridge.
- (e) Defibrillators
Further discussion took place in regards to defibrillators within the area. Two situated in Devil's Bridge, at the Two Hoots Café and the other at the Hafod Hotel and it was decided to make further contact with the owners of the Hafod Arms to enquire if the defibrillator is still in working order and enquire whether it can be placed outside the building as when it was originally purchased, following funding raising in the community.

Discussion took place regarding placing a defibrillator within the kiosk in Trisant. The Clerk to make enquiries regarding the viability of this action in regards to electricity supply and clause within the sale of contract from BT.

Robert Davies had received a price from Calonnau Cymru for the purchase of a new defibrillator and heated box to the site the apparatus.

Further discussion to be undertaken at next meeting.

5. FINANCE

- (a) The Clerk presented a balance sheet of the amount of funds in the Community Council bank account which was £10,365.59 on the 13th December, 2018 as well as an anticipated expenditure to the end of March 2019. Communication was received from Ceredigion County Council requesting information of the amount of Precept the Community Council would require for the coming year. The Clerk gave a breakdown of finance required by the Community Council for the coming year and it was decided to keep the precept at £3,500. It was acknowledged that there were funds in hand but it was felt that in order to carry out projects within the Community these funds would need to be kept.

The sum was proposed by Jane Hopkins and seconded by Phil Lloyd.

- (b) Further to the previous meeting it was reported that Menter Cymunedol Mynach Cyf had received grant funding towards the cost of the village Christmas Tree and that the Community Council donation was not required this year but would be gratefully received to purchase the 2019 Christmas Tree.

6. DONATIONS

Financial Donations from the Community Council were discussed and it was resolved to contribute as follows:

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| £100.00 | Eisteddfod Cwmystwyth (next financial year to be presented May/June for the Eisteddfod in September 2019) |
| £75.00 | Air Amubulance |
| £50.00 | Y Ddolen |
| £50.00 | Trisant Young Farmers Club |
| £50.00 | Grŵp Ti a Fi Ysgol Mynach |
| £40.00 | Lleng Brydeinig |
| £40.00 | Cylch Meithrin Penllwyn |

It was also decided to allocate a sum of £100.00 this financial year and the next financial year towards the Local Fund (Ponterwyd/Devil's Bridge) towards the National Eisteddfod 2020 to be held in Tregaron.

The above was unanimously decided which proposed by Jane Hopkins and seconded by Phil Lloyd

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) Information was received that although grant bidding for phase 3 of the footpath in Devil's Bridge had been unsuccessful there are plans to move the scheme forward via alternative financial methods.

- (b) Ceredigion County Council has arranged a Raising Awareness of the Code of Conduct Training Session on Monday 11th February at Penweddig School at 7.00 p.m., with an invitation to all Councillors to attend the training session.
- (c) Communication from Ceredigion County Council regarding Public Consultation in relation to the current public convenience provision in Ceredigion.

8. ANY OTHER MATTER

- (a) Discussion took place regarding the siting of a new Flag Pole near the War Memorial in Devil's Bridge and whether nearby residents had been consulted. It was decided before the pole is ordered that Councillors would discuss the proposal with the surrounding householders.
- (b) An enquiry was received why Ceredigion County Council are not collecting waste/recycling material on a public side road in Rhosygell. The Clerk to contact Ceredigion County Council to make appropriate enquiries.
- (c) It was reported that there is considerable mud on the road on the bend near to Nantarthur, Rhosygell. The Clerk to report to the County Council.
- (d) Concern was expressed regarding the amount of alcohol cans that seem to be disposed on the road between Devil's Bridge and Cwmystwyth on a daily basis. The situation to be reported to the County Council, but it is unclear what action can be taken until the culprit can be caught in action.
- (e) There was report of a couple of hedges within the Cwmystwyth area that need cutting back with growth overhanging into the road and damaging vehicles. The Clerk to report the situation to the County Council.
- (f) There is a deep pothole in the road outside the Chapel in Cwmystwyth that needs urgent attention of the County Council.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting to be held on Thursday 7th February, 2019 at Mynach School.