## CYNGOR BRO PONTARFYNACH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

# Thursday 6th June, 2019 am 7.30 p.m.

Meeting was held at Mynach School with the following present:

Jane Hopkins (Chairman); Brython Davies, Robert Davies, Phil Lloyd, Gareth Jones and Robert Pratt.

#### 1. APOLOGIES

Eluned Evans, Rhodri Jenkins, 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 2nd May, 2019

The minutes were confirmed as a true record of the meeting which was proposed by Bob Pratt and seconded by Gareth Jones with the following amendments:

\* to note that members had unanimously resolved to refuse the £150 payments to Community Councillors for the 2019/20 year which had been omitted from the minutes and all members had signed the non-acceptance form.

to note in minute 4 (e) that the additional cheque from Zurich Insurance was for £300.00 and not £400.00 for the renovation of the kiosk as Trisant.

#### 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) Electrical Power Points and Cycle Repair Stations
  - The Clerk reported that she had been in contact with Ceredigion County Council regarding the use of the land outside the toilet/recycling block to install the above items but at present there were no further updates to report and that the County Council would be in contact when they were in a position to respond further, following certain enquiries.
- (c) Public Footpaths
  - There were no further updates to report on those mentioned in previous minutes with the Clerk to monitor the situation.
- (d) Majority of pot holes in the area have been filled in.
- (e) No further update on the situation at Frongoch Leadmines although it is understood that Ceredigion County Council will be making enquiries.
- (f) The opening of the new Rheidol Railway Station at Aberystwyth was held that day with the Chairman representing the Community Council.
- (g) Robert Davies had been in contact with Mynyddoedd Cambrian Mountains regarding siting a Dark Sky Discovery Site Status at the Arch, Cwmystwyth and it was noted that Dafydd Morgan made a request to meet the Community Council to discuss the Dark Sky as well as other relevant tourist information. It was resolved to invite Mr. Morgan to the next meeting of the Community Council.
- (h) The large Bollards on the Mountain Road near Ty Mawr and Glyn Deri, Cwmystwyth remain needing urgent attention.
- (i) The parking situation outside the Hafod Hotel is continuing to be of concern.

(j) Reference was made to the new waste/recycling collection service recently rolled out

#### 5. FINANCE

- (a) The first instalment out of three of Precept allocation for 2019/20 was received in the sum of £1,666.67 from Ceredigion County Council.
- (b) The second instalment of £1,166.67 will be received by 31 July 2019 with final instalment of £1,166.66 to be received by 31 October 2019.
- (c) Pontarfynach Community Council Insurance Renewal notice was received from Zurich Insurance for £510.20. Payment was proposed by Brython Davies and seconded by Robert Davies.
- (d) Communication received from Dyfodol Cambrian Futures asking if the Community Council would be prepared to pay a sum of £50.00 for the reprint of the Cambrian Mountains Map in which Pontarfynach Community Council had contributed towards the first print. It was resolved to agree to the request.

## (e) 2018/19 Accounts

The 2019/20 accounts were presented to the Community Council having been audited by Mrs. Gillian Styles. Relevant documents were signed by the Chairman and Clerk which will be forwarded to the external auditor for auditing. A report of findings was presented to the Community Council.

The invoice of £40.00 from Mrs. G. Styles was presented for payment. It was resolved to pay the invoice, with payment proposed by Robert Davies and seconded by Phil Lloyd.

## (f) Risk Assessment

A risk assessment was undertaken of financial and asset risk. It was noted that any matters causing concern can be brought to the attention of members during monthly meetings.

(g) Eisteddfod Cwmystwyth

A letter of appreciation was received from the secretary of Eisteddfod Cwmystwyth for the recent donation by the Community Council towards the Eisteddfod.

## 6. COMMUNICATION

- (a) Request received from Tanya Friswell, Community & Tourism Development Officer to attend a meeting of the Community Council to discuss working together as a Community Council and Pentir Pumlumon with regards to Tourism. It was agreed to invite Mrs. Friswell to the September meeting.
- (b) A document on the Review of the Electoral Arrangements for the County of Ceredigion was distributed to Members.
- (c) An Invitation to Members to attend the Proclamation Ceremony of the Tregaron National Eisteddfod 2020 to be held on the 29<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at Cardigan.

#### 7. ANY OTHER MATTER

(a) Reference was made to the upcoming celebrations of the Church in Cwmystwyth, celebrating 400 years and the Chapel celebrating 150 years. There was an intention of obtaining a National Herritage Lottery Fund for the celebrations and a request was received that the Community Council would provide a letter of support. It was resolved that the Clerk would provide a letter of support in principle for the grant application.

(b) The recently purchased bench for Cwmystwyth had initially been proposed to be sited near to the Red Telephone Kiosk in Cwmystwyth but following local discussion the bench is to be sited near the Cwmystwyth Lead Mines.

## 8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting to be held on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at Mynach School.