

CYNGOR CYMUNED CILYCWYM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held at Cilycwm School on Tuesday 3 January 2012 at 7.30 p.m.

Present : Councillors Tomos Theophilus (Chair) ,Moiria Davies , Ifor Williams, Arwel Davies

Also present : P.C Howie Davies , Mrs Ann Jones (Clerk)

Apologies for absence : Councillors Aled Edwards and Walter Jones

Declarations of interest : None

Minutes of the meeting of 1 November 2011 had been circulated to the Councillors. These were proposed ,seconded and approved as a correct record.

Matters arising from the Minutes :

- Sports Personality Award -The Clerk confirmed that Mathew Lamont Page had been shortlisted for the award . Two persons were invited to attend the Presentation award ceremony at Llanelli on January 25th . The Chairman and Clerk would attend as representatives of the Community Council .
- Highway issues - continuing problems still a matter of concern with further action required. Problems at Berris Bank , Clyngell , Pentrecwn and Bryn were also discussed . Clerk to pursue the matter with the County Council.
- Plaque at Efail Fach - Further quotes awaited.

4. Correspondence

1. Footpaths : Diversion Proposal 8/49 (Bryndar) : Received and discussed .
2. Dyfed Powys Police –
 - a. Policing Issues - Response received from Dyfed Powys Police re policing services in the rural area. The Clerk updated the meeting on this matter and was awaiting a ‘follow up’ call from an officer of the Dyfed Powys Police . Clerk was asked to pursue the matter further by writing to Dyfed Powys Police. Clerk to liaise with local Police on this issue.
 - b. Consultative meeting - Policing questionnaire received and discussed - Clerk to complete survey. Council emphasised the need to provide adequate police resources to cover the rural area.
 - c. Notice of Police Audit - Poster to be displayed.
3. Heart of Wales – Newsletter received .
4. S137 : Letters of thanks received - *Marie Curie ; Llandoverly Blind Society and Carms YFC*
5. Fire and Rescue (*Plan 2012 – 2013*) Received and noted .
6. Carms County Council -
 - a. Policing Act 2009 – Details re new legislation received and discussed.
 - b. Marketing & Tourism – Brochure received and discussed
7. Welsh Government
 - a. Water & Sewerage – response to consultation – Clerk to report further at the next meeting
 - b. Byelaws – Details received and discussed. Clerk to note any changes which may affect the Council.
8. Cambrian Mountain Seminar – Details received and noted.
9. One voice Wales
 - a. Journeys Survey - Invitation to complete research survey received and discussed.
 - b. Model Standing orders - Details discussed - Clerk to note any changes affecting the Council .

- c. Traffic Regulation orders: Consultation exercise in connection with proposed procedural changes relating to advertising Traffic Regulation orders. Matter discussed - reservations expressed re possible changes. Council decided that advertising notices in the press was important. The Clerk to respond to the consultation .
- d. Strong Roots Project - Details of new 'Green Futures' Training programme received and discussed.
- e. Royal Garden Party – Invitation received for Chairman and guest to attend a Royal Garden Party in May 2012.
- f. Fire and Rescue: Consultation on the Fire and Rescue National Framework 2012 onwards – Consultation is available on the Welsh Government website. Concern expressed re changes that might affect the service . Decided that regional services should be maintained as at present. Clerk to respond on the Council's behalf.
- g. RDP Sir Gar – Details received and noted.
- h. Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales - Details received of Final Annual Report 2012 – Document sets the payments to members elected or co-opted to public bodies for the financial year.

5. Financial matters

- Request for financial support :
Carmarthen & District Youth Opera; Llangollen International Eisteddfod ; Macmillan Cancer Support

It was resolved that the Council (in accordance with its powers under Section 137 of the L.G.A. 1972) , should incur the following expenditure which in the opinion of the Cilycwm Community Council , is in the interest of the area and its inhabitants , and would be beneficial in a manner commensurate with the expenditure :

Macmillan Cancer Support £25

- *Confirmation of Payments:*
Chq 449 Carms YFC £50
Chq 450 Llandoverly Blind £25
Chq 451 Marie Curie £25
Chq 452 Mrs PA Jones(Antivirus Protection) £32.40
- *Bills to pay :*
payments were authorised:
Clerk's Salary (1/10/11 – 31/12/11) - £360 ; PAYE - £90
BDO Audit fee £162
- *Receipts :*
Precept received £1500

The following

6. Audit Matters:

The Audit for the year ending 31st March 2011 is now completed .This was confirmed with no matters outstanding . As required, the Annual return was presented , subsequently approved and accepted by the Council. Public Notice re the 'Conclusion of the audit' to be displayed for 14 days as required . (Minute ref. 197)

7. Budget & Precept 2012/13

The yearly task

of choosing a Precept for the coming year was discussed following the Guidelines issued .The Clerk presented a Worksheet noting Bank Balances together with a with a summary of Income and Expenditure figures over previous years . Using this information the Councillors gave consideration to budgetary needs for the coming year and to ensure that reserves were adequate. The decision to keep the Precept requirement at £4500 was agreed.

8. Broadband Project :

An update was received from Resq IT and Telecoms at the request of the Clerk .The project had resulted in successful connections for subscribers under Phase 1 of the project. (Further enquiries from subscribers could

be directed to Resq IT and Telecoms) Mr Dafydd Tomos and Mrs Ann Jones continue to attend periodic meetings of the CCBP committee.

9. Cilycwm Community Association :

Report of AGM received and discussed . New website will be launched soon - replacing the existing site. Clerk to liaise with representatives - Council minutes to be posted on the website.

10.Planning matters:

The following Planning applications were received from Carmarthenshire County Council

- E/25819 – Application for Conservatory at Caer Delyn, Cilycwm
- E/25312 – New Dwelling at Land between Green Lodge and 1 New Houses (Granted)

Other matters:

- Rhandirmwyn Community Association – Newsletter received and discussed.
- WPD works at Cilycwm : Update received from Mr Talfan Jones confirming that good progress is being made and work should proceed in March / April 2012.

- **Policing:** P.C. Howie
Davies attended the meeting to discuss policing issues in the Community The matter of police cover in the area was discussed with ongoing concerns being raised re resources being allocated to meet the needs of a large rural area. Clerk to write a follow up letter to Dyfed Powys Police on the matter of response to emergency calls etc which had been discussed.