CYNGOR CYMUNED CILYCWM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held at Cilycwm School on Tuesday 3 May 2011 at 7.30p.m.

Present: Councillors Arwel Davies, Eurwyn Lewis, Aled Edwards, Walter Jones and County Councillor Tomos Theophilus (Chair),

Also present: Mr Dafydd Tomos, Ms Thelma Stenning & Mr Richard Turner (Small Nation Festival representatives); Police Officers Howie Davies & Stephen Griffiths (Dyfed Powys Police) Mrs Ann Jones (Clerk)

Presentations:

- Forthcoming Festivals: A comprehensive discussion re proposed arrangements for the forthcoming Festivals took place envolving Local Police and Representatives of the Small Nations Festival. Mr Owain Glenister of Gwyl Bro Dinefwr was not present at the meeting. Issues surrounding Security and Risk Assessment, First Aid, Fire Precautions, Stewarding, Licensing (Display Licence behind the Bar), Parking, Shuttle bus etc were addressed. Police requested that there should be NO parking on the road and that Stewards should patrol the road after dark to ensure that no one was roaming on the road under the influence of alcohol and that no vehicles were parked on the road. The Chairman appealed to the Festival organisers to make a goodwill payment to the Cilycwm Playing Field Fund if the Festival was profitable. The Police also gave an update on the arrangements for YFC Rally Dance identifying Licensing, Stewarding and other related issues. Ms Thelma Stenning agreed to liaise with the Police and the Community Council listing the issues discussed.
- Broadband: Mr Dafydd Tomos and Mrs Ann Jones gave an update of progress on the project. Both had attended the BBCP meetings. The Clerk confirmed that Site Surveys and Ofcom Licences had both been completed by Resq IT and Telecoms with two invoices paid for works completed. Grant funding for each installation had been released by Carmarthenshire County Council (2 X £6250) prior to payment of the Invoices. VAT was being paid from Community Council funds. VAT paid to date was in the process of being reclaimed from HMRC. (Installation of the Backhaul was the next phase in the project.). Mr Dafydd Tomos was giving assistance with completion of RIBS Grant applications for subscribers in this area. He recorded his thanks to the Clerk for her commitment. The Chair expressed his gratitude to Mr Dafydd Tomos and to the Clerk for for their continuing support on the project.
- Policing Issues: The Police gave an update on local policing issues with warnings to
 the public re Scrap merchants moving in to the area to steal. Thefts of machinery /
 metal and Farm diesel / heating oil were identified. The Police appealed to farmers
 in particular to be vigilant and to report any suspect activity. Recording vehicle
 registration numbers could prove helpful.

Minutes of the meeting held on 8 March 2011 had been circulated to the Councillors . These were proposed, seconded and approved as a correct record .

Matters arising from the Minutes:

Correspondence:

1. Carmarthenshire County Council (Education): A Formal consultation document was received re the 'The Statutory Proposals for the Transformation and Re-configuration

of secondary Education in the Dinefwr area of Carmarthenshire'. Discussion followed on the proposals . Concerns were raised that the project appeared to be at an advanced stage with no Planning application being presented before the council . The use of a 'Brown field site' had not seriously been considered and Environmental issues were a serious concern. The Council had previously identified areas of concern affecting pupils in this area but Transport for pupils living in this area continues to be a major worry . Welsh language education provision was also discussed . The Clerk agreed to write to Carmarthenshire County Council . A Public meeting is being held at Pantycelyn School on May 17th 2011.

- 2. Heart of Wales Line Travellers' Assoc.: Reminder of Howlta Membership for 2011/12 received. Decided to renew membership at cost of £10.
- 3. Armed Forces Day June 25th 2011: Notice received from chief of Defence staff.
- 4. Kompan (Playground Funding) : Details received re launch of new Playground Funding Support Service . Noted .
- 5. Invasive Weed Project: Letter and Questionnaire received re addressing the problem of non-native invasive weeds in the County. Discussed. (Clerk to complete questionnaire)
- 6. OVW Carms Area Committee; Notice received of Carmarthenshire Area Committee to be held on 19th April at Newcastle Emlyn. Noted.
- 7. Carmarthen Shopmobility Scheme: Details received of an unit established in St Catherine's Walk, Carmarthen for the provision of scooters and wheelchairs for hire for visitors with mobility problems. Noted.
- 8. Carms YFC Rally: Invitation received to attend the YFC County Rally to held on Sat 7 May 2011. Complimentary tickets enc.
- 9. Barn Owl survey: Details received of Barn Owl Survey under the county's Local Biodeversity Action Plan (Poster displayed)
- 10. OVW Conference & Annual Meeting: Notice of One Voice Wales conference and AGM to be held at Pontrhydfendigaid on 8 Oct 2011 received and noted.
- 11. Cwm Rhaeadr Footpath (8/O/67): Further details received from Ms Caroline Feguson noting that the effect of the Modification ,if approved , will be to reduce the length of the registered public footpath 8/O/67 as shown on the attached plan . Any further additional evidence that may be relevant to the case would be welcome .
- 12. OVW Training: Details received of Training for Councillors together with details of Bursaries on offer
- 13. OVW Membership: Agreed to renew membership at a cost of £57.
- 14. Menter Bro Dinefwr Festival: Newsletter received. Clerk asked to contact Mr Owain Genister for an update on plans for 2011 event.
- 15. Carms County Council Mapping of Public Sector Land and Property Ownership : Letter received giving details . No property or assets are currently held by the Community council .
- 16. Carmarthen Women's Aid: Letter of thanks for donation of £25 (S137)
- 17. Cruse: Letter of thanks for donation of £25 (S137)
- 18. Draft Fire & Rescue Strategy 2011-2016 : Comments and observations invited via WAG website. Noted.
- 19. Community & Town Councils survey 2010 : Findings Report now available on WAG website . Noted.
- 20. OVW Training: Details of Training Programme received and noted.
- 21. BDO audit: Audit Pack received. Details of the Audit process was discussed. The Clerk would proceed as required.

- 22. Western Power: update received from Mr Talfan Jones –The Company is still actively attempting to find a solution and would keep in touch with interested parties.
- 23. Aon Insurance: Invitation to renew Insurance received. Fidelity Guarantee cover was reviewed. After discussion it was decided to renew cover at a cost of £337.78

5. Financial matters

Request for financial support: Y Lloffwr, Marie Curie, Mencap

- Confirmation of payments: Clerk's salary £450 (1/1/11 31/3/11)
 School Booking £77.64 Footway Lighting £222.65
 S137: Cruse £25; Cilycwm Playing Field £1200; Carmarthen Womens' Aid £25;
- Bills to pay:
- Broadband project: Payment confirmed for Invoices 1 and 2 for the sum of £7500 each. Grant funding received from Carmarthenshire County Council for £6250 for each phase. VAT being reclaimed from HMRC.
- Receipts: Precept £1500;

It was resolved that the Council, in accordance with its powers under Section 137of the LGA 1972, should incur the following expenditure which in the opinion of the Cilycwm Community Council is in the interest of its inhabitants and will be beneficial in a manner commensurate with the expenditure.

Y Lloffwr £50

6. Planning matters

The following Planning applications were received from Carmarthenshire County Council

Erryd Wood Access (E/24420) Application for new Forestry access (Granted) (Concerns re visibility and access of heavy plant / machinery off this minor road were noted. The Clerk had notified Carmarthenshire County Council re these issues)

7. Other Matters:

- Review of Risk Assessment reviewed
- Fidelity Guarantee reviewed
- Appointment of Clerk: Discussion relating to the Appointment of Clerk decided that details re Terms of appointment be drawn up in writing for the next meeting.