

CYNGOR CYMUNED CILYCWYM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held at Cilycwm School on Monday 4th March 2013

Present : Councillors Christopher Jones, Arwel Davies, Tomos Theophilus, Aled Edwards , Moira Davies. (Chair)

Also present : P Ann Jones (Clerk) PCSO Nia Humphrys ;YFC representatives – Lowri Thomas, Aled Williams, Thelma Stenning (Cilycwm Church)

Apologies for absence .Ivor Williams , Walter Jones

Declaration of interest : Councillor Aled Edwards (re Eisteddfod Sir Gâr)

Presentations :

Policing matters : PCSO Nia Humphrys gave an update of policing issues in the area .

Councillors suggested : School visits to raise awareness re child safety etc. Setting up a ‘Farm watch’ group following reports of intruders on farms and theft of fuel; Drug awareness talk etc. Response time for calls continues to cause concern. White van speeding & speeding hotspots was discussed . Reminder to sign up to OWL system.

YFC Rally Dance – Members of the Carmarthenshire YFC attended to discuss arrangements for the forthcoming event in early May. Various concerns were raised with a view to minimise disruption to the local community viz. Through traffic disruption ; Problems in village related to alcohol consumption; control measures to prevent under age drinking ; Small incidents affecting the elderly in particular. Antisocial behaviour ; More stewarding discussed – on site – stop anyone leaving unless they are in a vehicle ; publicise no mobile phone reception; Removal of posters after event . Police support on the night – more required off site – presence would be appreciated in the between the site and the village; Risk assessment (Streamline). Police will contact YFC Office to get more information beforehand .Council supportive of YFC and hoped the event will be a success.

Minutes of the meeting of 15 January 2013 had been circulated to the Councillors. These were proposed, seconded and approved as a correct record.

Matters arising from the Minutes:

Dog fouling – Officers visited Cilycwm to monitor Dog fouling.

Matt Page won – Letter of Congratulation to be sent to Matthew on his success in the Carmarthenshire sports Personality Award

Planning issue re Vicarage Planning raised.

Correspondence

1. Cilycwm Church – Thelma Stenning gave presentation of Plans to convert a part of the Church for community use. PCC approved; Faculty requested. Aim to make use for benefit of community. Menter Bro & Heritage lottery meeting planned followed by a Draft outline bid defining uses etc. If eligible ,6 mth period to submit / write the bid for funding of up to £250K. Full details presented to Councillors Usage is key to succeeding with the bid.100% Grant available. Issues re Listed building status raised. .Ysgoldy fach discussed. Temporary/moveable stage advised. Re locate the Lady chapel altar. Sustainable heating required. Capital / Revenue grants.Brief discussion on future of Village school.
2. Boundary Commission - Draft proposals : Discussed –Plans to regroup : Cilycwm,; Llansadwrn, Llanwrda and Llanfair ar y bryn (New Name proposed –Llanwrda – Llanfair ar y bryn) Councillors wanted to retain the name of Cilycwm in the new

- grouping . An alternative name of ‘Blaenau Tywi’ might be considered – Noted that this is an extensive geographical area. Letter to be sent making these suggestions .
3. Broadband Project Update for Carmarthen County Council re monitoring of the project requested by Carmarthenshire County Council.
 4. Health Board – Rec & noted
 5. Police Commissioner : Lack of presence; Travel/response times a concern ; Liaise with youngsters etc
 6. Insurance – Request quote when due.
 7. HOW Pay membership
 8. Collaborative Communities : Received and noted
 9. The Beautiful Burial Ground Conference at NBG Wales: Details received and noted.
 10. CAVS - Update
 11. OWL update : Noted
 12. Local Government Bill : Noted
 13. Websites for Community Councils - Details of funding available received and noted.
 14. Training – Details of events and venues received. Date of training for Code of conduct changed – Clerk wishes to attend.
 15. Big Lunch Awards - Received and noted.
 16. The Census and Welsh Language - Details of Conference to be held at Tycroes March 14th
 17. Strong Roots - Training session details received and noted.
 18. S137 (Receipt) Letter and receipt from Cilycwm Sports and Playing field committee.
 19. National Mining Memorial (Roy Noble) Centenary of Senghennydd mining Disaster’ Appeal to support. Received and discussed.
 20. Public conveniences- Urge cross party support to avert closures- addressing issues with particular ref to Carmarthenshire County Council. Received and discussed
 21. Sustainable development Bill – Bulletin update received and noted.

Financial matters

- **Request for financial support**

The following requests were received and considered :

Air Ambulance Wales; Cruse Bereavement care; Womens’ Aid; Kidney Wales; Eisteddfod SirGâr - Pwyllgor Lleol; Cilycwm Churchyard

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 :

Air Ambulance Wales £250; Cruse £25; Eisteddfod Sir Gâr- Pwyllgor Lleol £200 (1st of 3 Donations approved - phased over 3 years)

Further consideration may be given to request from Cilycwm Church at a future meeting.

- **Confirmation of Payments:**

Chq 481 clerk’s salary (1/10/12 – 31/12/12) £360

Chq 482 Cae Chwarae Cilycwm S137 - £600 Chq 483 Footway Lighting (1/4/12 – 31/3/13) £712.98

- **Bills to pay :**

The following payments were authorised:

Clerical expenses – (Postage, stationery etc.) 2012/13 - £82.13

School Booking fees 2012 /13 - Invoice awaited

HOWLTA Membership £10

Clerk's salary £360 and Paye £90 (due end of March - for the period 1/1/13 – 31/3/13)

- **Receipts :**

- **HMRC - Paye 2013/14 Notification of RTI etc. from HMRC received .**

Community Associations : Update received re February meeting

Letter received re promotion of Dark Skies – request to consider turning public lights off late at night. Matter discussed. Councillors agreed to canvass local opinion in light of public safety concerns especially for elderly residents in the village. Clerk to respond.

Highway issues:

Concern raised re verges and roads severely affected over the winter period. More maintenance required.