

CYNGOR CYMUNED CILYCWMM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held at Cilycwm School on Tuesday 6 September 2011 at 7.30 p.m.

Present : Councillors Ivor Williams (Chair) Moira Davies, Aled Edwards, Eurwyn Lewis,
Also present : Mr Steve Pocock , PCSO Steven Griffiths and Mrs Ann Jones (Clerk)

Apologies for absence : Councillor Tomos Theophilus , Councillor Leslie Holdaway Evans
 Councillor Arwel Davies , Ms Thelma Stenning (Small Nations)

Declarations of Interest : Mrs Ann Jones (Clerk) (re Planning - Plas yr Ardd, Cilycwm)

Presentations :

Policing matters : PCSO Steven Griffiths reported on issues arising from Festivals and events held over the Summer. Concerns re: 'Closing Times', Stewarding, Police presence, Emergency services, Cost of drinks etc. No calls were recorded by police from residents in the village . Three arrests reported by police and more policing was planned.

Scrap theft continues to cause problems in the rural areas – appeal to be vigilant and identify and report suspect vehicles.

Antisocial behaviour being monitored re breakage of windows at Ysgoldy Fach'. (Police following up with warnings to avert further problems)

WPD : Mr Steve Pocock gave an update on WPD Plans . Mr Talfan Jones had met with interested parties – issues re undergrounding BT and Public lighting fixtures on poles were discussed - WPD optimistic that BT cabling could be undergrounded in the area affected. WPD would liaise with interested parties and seek the necessary consents from properties affected. Mr Steve Pocock emphasised the need to preserve the integrity of the cobbles and possible replacement of the existing lighting fixtures with more sympathetic 'period style' fixtures (Additional funding might be required for this and would be discussed in due course)

Minutes of the Meeting of 5 July 2011 had been circulated to the Councillors. These were proposed, seconded and approved as a correct record.

Matters arising from the Minutes

- **Education in Carmarthenshire:** Councillors were dismayed that an announcement had been made re the closure of Ysgol Pantycelyn . No date confirmed for this.
- **LDP maps:** The Clerk attended the 'Workshop' held by Carmarthenshire County Council where she conveyed the concerns re possible mapping errors on the Recreational area in the village. The Planning Dept. indicated a willingness to address any changes to possible errors once evidence could be supplied. Councillor Moira Davies offered to carry out further checks and liaise with the Clerk.

Correspondence :

- 1) **LDP :** Printed copy of LDP Plan received and made available to Councillors .
 LDP Sustainability Appraisal & Environmental Assessment (Guide for promoters of Sites for Development) also received . Representation Form enclosed.
- 2) **Dyfed Powys Police (Audit) :** Notice of Inspection of Audit of Accounts received and noted (Displayed as required on Notice Board)
- 3) **Cwm Rhaeadr (Modification Order) Notice of Modification Order** received and noted (Ref : RW2/8/CJF)

- 4) Public Footpath Issues : Response from Martin Murray received . ROW Team to conduct site visits . Replacement of stolen gate at Efail Fach - Options discussed and matter to be resolved following discussion with the landowner.
- 5) Friends of Llandoverly Station : Appeal to support project and enrol as member (Cost £5) Received and noted
- 6) Talking Health : Information promoting 'Talking health' scheme received and noted (Poster for display)
- 7) SLCC ; Details of Branch Conference 21 Sept received and noted .
- 8) HOW Travellers Assoc. - Newsletter received.
- 9) Review of Polling Districts and Places: Questionnaire received and discussed. Clerk to proceed by completing questionnaire
- 10) Independent Panel for Wales: Draft report 2012-2013 (Remuneration) Details received and noted .
- 11) RHS : Promotion of 'Britain in Bloom' details - Received and noted
- 12) One Voice Wales : Details of Autumn Training courses received and discussed .
- 13) Queen's Diamond Jubilee Information Pack received re celebrations
- 14) Road Closure Notice : U4202 received and noted
- 15) Community Link Roadshow - Details of Events received and noted (Poster for display)
- 16) Age Concern – Details received offering support to access Council Tax and other benefits . Leaflet to be displayed.

5. . Financial matters

- **Request for financial support :**
Carms YFC ; Shelter Wales ; NSPCC
(Agreed further discussion on S137 payments at next meeting)
- **Confirmation of Payments:**
Footway Lighting £228.01 ;
Eric Williams(Public Notices) £107.90 ;
Clerk's Salary £450 (April – June);
Resq IT & Telecoms (Inv.6832) £7500 ;
- **Bills to pay :** *Clerks' salary due 30 Sept 2011(for period 1/7/11 to 30/9/11)*
- **Receipts :** *VAT £1288.00*
Praecept £1500

6 . Audit matters :

The Clerk confirmed that the Annual Return , Accounts and supporting information for the year ending 31 March 2011 were submitted for external audit to BDO as required .

The Council recorded its thanks to Mr Tom Marks for conducting the 'Internal Audit '.

The Clerk reported that in order to comply with new Audit and HMRC requirements, the Council were required to register for PAYE. Tax would be deducted from the Clerk's salary at source and be payable to HMRC.The Clerk had proceeded on this and confirmed the Community Council's 'New employer registration and reference numbers'. Mr Lyn Llywelyn of One Voice Wales had agreed to assist the Clerk with downloading the Toolkit off the HMRC website . The Council agreed that the Clerk should proceed as required.

7. Broadband Project :

The Clerk had requested an update from Resq IT and Telecoms in advance of the meeting which outlined the final stage of the project. Discussion followed. Some details needed to be discussed /clarified with Resq IT and Telecoms .The Final invoice was awaited. The Clerk would liaise with Mr Hywel Davies of Carmarthenshire County Council and request the necessary evidence from Resq IT prior to proceeding .

8. Planning Matters :

The following Planning applications were received from Carmarthenshire County Council

- E/25235 Plas yr Ardd , Cilycwm
- E/25312 New Dwelling on Land between Green Lodge and 1New Houses , Cilycwm

9. Other matters :

- Hedge Trimming : Reports of early trimming and concern over the standard of work by some operators .
- Ongoing Highway issues caused by erosion on Penybanc Hill and Esgairefail .
- Damage to Pont Newydd : Concerns re Safety issues and continued use by heavy lorries in light of recent damage .

Discussion followed on each of the above and problems noted. Photographic evidence was considered to be helpful in highlighting individual problems.

The Clerk was asked to report these issues to Carmarthenshire County Council.