CYNGOR CYMUNED CILYCWM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held at Cilycwm School on Tuesday 15 July 2014

Present: Councillors Christopher Jones (Chair), Moira Davies, Walter Jones and Arwel Davies.

Also present; Mrs Ann Jones (Clerk)

Apologies for absence: Councillors Tomos Theophilus, Eurwyn Lewis, Aled Edwards and Ivor Williams; PCSO Stephen Griffiths

Declarations of Interest – personal and/or prejudicial : None

Presentations: Local Police unable to attend. Noted that the Bobby Van service had been offered to elderly householders in the village offering safety checks and advice.

Minutes of the May 2014 meeting had been circulated to the Councillors. These were proposed, seconded and approved as a correct record.

Matters arising from the Minutes: Report of Code of conduct Training held at Carmarthen and attended by the Chair Cllr Christopher Jones and the Clerk. Guideline Document given to every Councillor for their attention and guidance. The course was beneficial and raised awareness on several issues.

Correspondence

- 1. OVW- Notice of Area meeting received and noted; OVW Spring Newsletter received.
- 2. Training: Details of OVW Training Courses received and noted.
- 3. NHS Hywel Dda: Notification of meeting re 'Information sessions on the Changes to Maternity, Neonatal, Paediatric and Gynaecological services at Withybush and Glangwili hospitals. Noted. Additional information can be obtained on the hywelddahb website.
- 4. Sports Facilities: Notice of Consultation re Charging for Sports facilities. Clerk to complete questionnaire. Councillors urged need to retain local facilities such as the swimming pool in Llandovery
- 5. Western Power: (Preparing for severe weather) Free Sample Parish Council Pack received with items handy in case of a power cut. This was discussed and the Clerk was asked to source Posters from Western Power to publicize this initiative.
- 6. Ombudsman: Annual Report 2013/14 received. Noted that complaints against public service providers had risen; up 11% on 2012/13.
- 7. Dyfed Powys Police: Dyfed-Powys public invited to 'Be the Judge' Local residents are to have a say in the punishment of offenders. Survey discussed asking how they would like offences such as criminal damage and low value theft should be dealt with. PCC Salmon is urging the public to tell him which punishments should be offered. Questionnaire discussed and completed.

- 8. Radio Beca: Letter requesting support for a new Welsh Language Radio service for West Wales received and discussed. Clerk to send 'Letter of support'
- 9. Traws Link Cymru: Letter requesting support for a Campaign for the re opening of the Railway Line between Carmarthen and Aberystwyth with a view to form a Cambrian express Rail Link from Cardiff, Carmarthen, Aberystwyth and Bangor (Letters of support /donations to the charity invited) Agreed -Letter of support be sent.
- 10. SLCC; Newsletter received.
- 11. Welsh Government: Consultations / Reviews received and considered inc.
 Review of Governance, Carmarthenshire County Council- WLGA commissioned to
 undertake an independent peer review of its Governance arrangements. Discussed and
 noted. Group Fuel purchasing initiatives to tackle fuel poverty etc.
- 12. Report/ Minutes of Carmarthenshire 'Community and Town Council County Liaison Forum received and noted...
- 13. Simon Thomas AM: Bulletin available on line
- 14. Birthday Honours 2015: Letter received inviting Nominations for Birthday Honours 2015. Discussed. Details re Procedures etc were enclosed. Further enquiries to Clerk.
- 15. Parking contravention code: Notice of Carmarthenshire Policies on parking Contravention penalties received and discussed. Document enclosing 'New Parking Contravention codes' was received and noted.
- 16. Llandovery Hub: Invitation to re opening of Hub received. Details of facilities for Small businesses and Private meeting/ small conference room discussed and noted.
- 17. Red Squirrell Event Details received. (Poster for display) Info posted on website.
- 18. Cold calling zones Packs had been delivered and larger notices would soon be placed at points of entry to the village. Important to report any incidents to the police of using the 101 service.

Miscellaneous Notices, Publications and Newsletters were made available to Councillors

Financial matters:

- **Financial update**: Presented by the Clerk to include Bank reconciliation. Details discussed, approved and signed by the Chair
- New Model Financial regulations / Rheolau Ariannol 2014. Received and discussed. Clerk to check details and identify any changes affecting the procedures required.
- Audit Matters: Audit for the year ended 31 March 2014.
 - BDO Proposed audit certificate and opinion: It is the intention of the Auditor to issue an unqualified certificate and report. There are no other matters to be drawn to the attention of the Council.

Post audit approval and certification:

Section 3 was certified by the RFO/ Clerk - signed and dated.

The Annual return, details of the proposed audit and opinion were presented to the Council

The Annual return was approved by the Council: Section 3 was certified, signed and dated by the Chair (Minute ref: 250)

• Cais am Arian / Request for financial support:

The following requests were received and considered: Ty Hospys (Glangwili)

No S137 Donations were authorised at this meeting

• Cadarnhad Taliadau / Confirmation of payments:

Chq 520- £100Mr Lyn Llewelyn(Internal audit fee)

Chq 521 - £50 Y Lloffwr (S137)

Chq 522 - £25 Urdd Gobaith Cymru (S137)

Chq 523 - £40 LLyfrau Llafar Cymru (S137)

Chq 524 - £25 Teenage Cancer Trust (S137)

Chq 525 - £61 OVW membership 2014/15

Chq 526 - £240.17 AON Insurance premium

Chq 527- £90 HMRC (Paye Apr, May, Jun 2014

- Letters /Receipt for payment were presented in respect of: Internal audit fee £100; Urdd Gobaith Cymru £25; Llyfrau Llafar Cymru £40; Teenage Cancer Trust £25; OVW Membership £61; AON Insurance £240.17 HMRC £90.
- Biliau i'w talu / Bills to pay:

Clerk's salary (Apr, May, June 2014) £360 (Payment authorised)

- Derbyniadau / Receipts None
- *HMRC*: RTI Confirmation / Update presented by the Clerk.

Community matters:

- Prosiect Hanes / History Project: Book Blaenau Tywi 'Enwau yn y Tirwedd / 'Names in the Landscape' is now published. This project has been a success producing a valuable archive for the future.
- Ysgol Cilycwm School: Discussion re 'Notice of Termination' at the end of August 2014. Clerk to seek clarification re use of the school for meetings following official closure date. Alternative venue for meetings to be considered as the situation becomes clear.
- Cae Chwarae / Playing field: Discussion re Events and Fund raising no confirmation of arrangements to date. Concerns re delays in fundraising. Some cutting of grass in a circuit around the field has been carried out and part of the Boundary hedge had been laid by volunteers. Awaiting update on further Grass cutting arrangements.
- Cold calling: Concerns noted following reports from some residents. Clerk asked to liaise with Police on this matter. Officers expected to visit the village soon to speak to residents on the proposed 'No Cold Calling Zone' scheme.

Materion Cynllunio / Planning Matters

- LDP Addendum to schedule (Consultation) Received and noted
- E29097 Amended Siting (Livestock building at Llysnewydd) Granted
- E/30154 Notice of withdrawal of application and submission of new application
- E/30412 for 2 Dwellings on land between Ger y Dderwen and 2, New House (Discussion on revised application)

Public Footpaths & Highway Issues

- Road Signage/Arwyddion Ffyrdd: Dolauhirion 'Road Narrows' signs now being commissioned by Carmarthenshire County Council.
- Grass cutting of verges: Concerns raised re urgent need for grass cutting of verges in light of Road safety considerations. Clerk to raise these issues with Carmarthenshire County Council.