

CYNGOR CYMUNED CILYCWYM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held at Cilycwm School on Tuesday 16 July 2013

Present : Councillors Christopher Jones, Tomos Theophilus, Aled Edwards , Ifor Williams, Moira Davies (Chair)

Also present : P Ann Jones (Clerk) PC Howie Davies

Apologies for absence: Councillors Walter Jones, Eurwyn Lewis, Arwel Davies

Declaration of interest : Councillor Moira Davies (Cilycwm school)

Presentations :

Policing matters : PC Howie Davies gave an update on Policing issues in the area -Viz. OWL messaging; Warning re Distraction burglaries ; Theft of tools and equipment; Target burglaries and Bogus callers. Warning of people reported selling tarmac , paintings and mattresses. Important to ask for an ID. Importance of Police visibility in the rural area noted.

Minutes of the meeting of 21 May 2013 had been circulated to the Councillors. These were proposed, seconded and approved as a correct record.

Matters arising from the Minutes: Update on highway issues. Following the opening of the new road from the Towy Forest, noted that a number of timber haulage lorries are still using roads in the locality.

Correspondence

1. Ombudsman – Annual report 2012/13 received and noted.
2. Social Housing - Questionnaire completed
3. Armed Forces Covenant grant - details received and noted
4. Impact of welfare reforms - completed questionnaire
5. Member of Parliament offer of help and advice –Letter received and noted
6. Private water supplies –Consultation on the future management of private water supply pipes received and discussed (leakages a concern)
7. Eisteddfod – update received re Proclamation ceremony; Local appeal - target almost reached. Local event planned for the autumn / winter.
8. OWL messaging – discussed (see policing issues)
9. Public service delivery – letter received and discussed. Details of Drop in sessions to canvas opinions.
10. Environmental partnership grant – Details received and noted.
11. OVW - Notice of 2013 Conference and AGM ; Training Programmes ; Press announcement re Evidence session on the work of the Police and Crime Commissioners in Wales ; Consultation re Draft Guidance Local Government measure; Welsh Affairs Committee Select committee announcement ; Commission on Devolution in Wales; Announcement re Cross the border road and rail links between England and Wales . Received and discussed.
12. Collaborative communities – Newsletter received.

13. Carmarthenshire County Council - Offer letter re Grant available to set up a Community Council website. Received and discussed (Community Council minutes are posted on the Community website)
14. Community Broadband – Update re community refund received and noted.
15. Cyngrair Cymunedau Cymraeg – Information pack received. Letter of interest on project sent by Clerk. More information will appear on the website.

Other Circulars, Newsletters and Miscellaneous notices were made available to Councillors

Financial matters

- **Request for financial support**

The following requests were received and considered:

*Friends of Cilycwm School (Community Celebration event for pupils past and present)
Welsh National Memorial - Flanders*

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 :

Friends of Cilycwm School £200

- **Confirmation of Payments:**

*Chq 492 - £563.98 CCC Election charges 2012
493 - £60 OVW Membership
494 - £50 Y Lloffwr S137
495 - £60 Internal auditor Gift token (The Plough Inn, Rhosmaen)
496 - £25 Cancer Research Wales
497 - £300.83 AON Insurance
498 - £90 HMRC Paye (April – June 2013)
499 - £360 Clerk's net salary (April -June 2013)*

- **Bills to pay :**

The following payments were authorised:

S137 Friends of Cilycwm School £200

- **Receipts :**
- **HMRC : RTI - Update given by Clerk**

Audit matters

(Audit ref 230)

Report of External Auditor : Letter received from BDO confirming that there were no issues to be considered prior to the Council's Approval and Certification of the Annual Return .

As required:

- The RFO certified and signed Section 3 of the Annual Return
- The Annual Return and details of the Post audit certificate were presented to the Council
- The Council approved the Annual Return
- Section 3 was certified and signed by the Chair.

Annual return to be sent to BDO for issue of the Final Audit

Community Associations:

Cilycwm CA – Minutes of May meeting and Summary of Accounts 2012 received and discussed. Update re History project noted.

Ysgoldy fach Project – Letter received with an update of proposals for the project and the role of a voluntary Steering group. Chart of Community groups identified as possible users of a restored Ysgoldy fach enclosed.

Rhandirmwyn CA – Update on events etc received and noted

Cilycwm School : The prospective closure of the school was discussed. An awareness of a change in circumstances re the future of the building was noted by Councillors. In light of these developments, it was felt that an Options Appraisal was timely in respect of the development of a Community facility for the community. The Clerk was asked to write to Mrs Thelma Stenning re the suggested Options Appraisal.

Materion Cynllunio / Planning Matters

E28266 -Maes yr Afon, Cilycwm
Extension to existing dwelling. Received and discussed.

Footpaths

Proposal to Divert Registered Public Footpath 8/43 – Cefn Trenfa Farm, Cilycwm
Received and discussed.