

CYNGOR CYMUNED CILYCWMM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held at Capel y Groes Vestry on Tuesday 20th September 2016 at 7.30 p.m.

Present : Councillors, Moira Davies, Aled Edwards, Christopher Jones, Arwel Davies, Walter Jones (Chair)

Also present : Mrs Ann Jones (Clerk)

There was no representation from local Policing team

Apologies for absence: None

Declarations of Interest – personal and/or prejudicial: None

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

Matters arising from the Minutes:

Library services : Discussion on the response received from Carmarthenshire County Council. A list of the proposed alternative sites was discussed and considered inadequate to meet the needs of local users. Difficulties around transport issues etc were noted. To raise awareness, the community website might be used to publicize the proposed changes to Library services.

Vodafone initiative : Copy of press article re initiative was presented.

Correspondence :

1. One Voice Wales: Notices and Minutes of meetings received and noted. A list of correspondence forwarded by OVW was circulated to Councillors and discussed.
2. Training : Information re forthcoming Training programmes were received and discussed.
3. Carmarthenshire County Council: Correspondence received and discussed : Safer routes (Communities grant); County Liaison Forum; Code of Conduct information; Over 50's Annual Forum; Carms Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Preliminary Draft Charging schedule)

Trading Standards (No cold calling initiative)The Clerk reported on a Follow up visit from Ms Quita Davies and the Community Policing team.

4. Welsh Government: etc. A list Correspondence was circulated to Councillors to include Reviews, Notices & Consultations; Initiatives; Vacancies & Public appointments; Bulletins etc. These were considered and noted.
5. Wales Audit Office – Information re Fee rates for Town & Community Councils for 2016/17 was received and noted.
6. GIG Hywel Dda : Information re Let's Talk health Initiative was received and discussed
7. SLCC Newsletter received and discussed. Information published re Discretionary expenditure powers (Section 137 of the LGA 1972 was noted.
8. Boundary Commission: Notice of 2018 Review of Parliamentary Constituencies in Wales Initial Proposals was received and discussed.
9. Details of : Digital Wales event; Ombudsman's casebook; Cymru'n Cofio 1914 -1918 received and Noted

10. Dyfed Powys Police Commissioner: Letter inviting views on local policing issues received and discussed. Clerk to respond identifying issues to the Police Commissioner. .
11. Eluned Morgan A.M.: Letter & Questionnaire received inviting comments on a wide range of issues affecting the community. Concerns re Transport, health, employment, Broadband, the rural economy and agriculture and local services were discussed. Clerk to complete and return the survey making the observations known.

Miscellaneous Notices, Publications and Newsletters were made available to Councillors

Financial matters

- **External audit:** The External audit for the year ended 30th March 2016 was now completed and certified by Grant Thornton on behalf of the Auditor General for Wales. No issues or recommendations were raised in the report. The Notice of Conclusion of Audit were posted and displayed as required. Invoice for payment of the Audit fee was awaited. Copies of the Annual Return and Accounts are available from the Clerk and would be posted on to the Cilycwm website.
- **Financial report and Bank reconciliation:** An updated of Financial report was circulated and discussed. The Bank reconciliation and report was checked and approved by Cllr Moira Davies
- **Cais am Arian / Request for financial support:**
CFFI / YFC Sir Gar;
Teirgod Tywi Hockey Club; RABI Sir Gar
(plus requests from previous meetings)

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 :

Y Lloffwr £50

(Further consideration would be given to requests later in the year)

- **Cadarnhad Taliadau / Confirmation of payments :**
Howlta membership - £12
- **Biliau i'w Talu / Bills for payment**
The following were authorized for payment :
Grant Thornton Audit fee (Invoice awaited)
Clerk's salary & Paye (Jul – Sep 2016)
- **Derbyniadau / Receipts :***Precept £1666.67*
- **HMRC : RTI :** *The clerk confirmed submissions to HMRC*
- **New Bank account signatory :** *Forms for 'Change of Signatory' were presented from the Clerk. Signatories to complete details required for submission to Lloyds TSB.*
- **Pensions Regulator :** *The Clerk updated the meeting on Timelines for submissions.*
- **Independent remuneration panel**
Publication of allowances to Councillors – Schedule prepared for submission in accordance with requirements : NIL claims for the period recorded. Submission to IRP by 30th September 2016
- **Office for National Statistics**
Business details and Employment survey : Details discussed. Clerk to complete and return to ONS.

Community matters:

Hall group - Cllr Aled Edwards presented an update on behalf of the working group. The Hall Group had met with Chapel Trustees and a Legal adviser. This had been a productive meeting and further investigations around the project would move forward. Public meeting planned when legal issues were clarified.

Community Association: Report of meeting held on 23 August 2016 attended by Cllr Moira Davies and The clerk, Mrs Ann Jones. Minutes of this meeting along with Statement of Accounts discussed. Particular issues re website needed clarifying. Currently, Community Council Minutes and Notices were displayed on a Community Council page. Discussion re possible payment to the Community Association for this facility could be explored. Clerk to liaise with Community Association to discuss more details for consideration by Councillors. The Clerk noted the services kindly given free of charge by Mr Chris Robertson, the website Moderator

Community Video cameras – available for hire / use from Community Association
The next meeting of the CCA January 9th 2016

Kiosk at Siloh : Reported that this Kiosk had been vandalised. Public notice re Removal had been posted up with 42 day consultation period.

Materion Cynllunio / Planning Matters

Details of the following were received and noted :

Planning Aid Wales (Network event)
Planning policy Wales (Questionnaire)

For updates and further details on Planning applications, please visit:

www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk/planningapplications

Am y diweddara a manylion pellach , ymwelwch a :

www.sirgar.gov.uk/ceisiadaucynllunio

Highway & Hedge trimming issues : The Clerk presented an update on Hedge trimming etc from Carmarthenshire County Council.

Attention drawn to Signpost at Penygroes and ongoing problems at Penybanc
(Clerk to report to Carmarthenshire County Council)

Community Council Vacancies

The Clerk briefed the meeting on the following :

South Ward vacancy : Notice of Cooption displayed

North Ward vacancy: Cooption notice now displayed as there were no submissions received by 26th August deadline

Preliminary discussion on co options – Councillors will meet in October to consider names submitted for co option (suggested date Tuesday 18 October)

Footway Lighting**Update**

No response had been received from Mr Jonathan Fearn or the Footway Lighting Dept. to the letter of enquiry re lighting pole 804-08 , despite repeated attempts by the Clerk..

The letter received from Mr Steve Pocock, assessing the situation re vegetation growing around the pole and to explore other options for removal of the vegetation was discussed.

Decided that the offer from Mr Pocock and volunteer helpers to cut and clear the vegetation should be accepted subject to discussion with :

Mr Pockock ; Owners of neighbouring properties/interested parties ; AON Insurance (The Clerk had enquired re Insurance Cover for voluntary work) Footway Lighting Dept.

Carmarthenshire CC (discuss switching off light while trimming works are being carried out .