

## CYNGOR CYMUNED CILYCWYM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**Minutes** of the meeting held at Capel y Groes Vestry on Tuesday 4 July 2017 at 7.30 p.m.

**Present:** Councillors Arwel Davies (Chair) Aled Edwards, Moira Davies, Hywel Jones, Jamie Pickup and Matthew Paul.

**Also present** Mrs Ann Jones (Clerk)

**Policing issues :** Apologies from PCSO Helen Fender

**Apologies for absence:** Councillor Walter Jones and Councillor Eurwyn Lewis

**Declarations of Interest :** Cllr Aled Edwards (S137 request)

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

### **Matters arising from the Minutes:**

#### **Correspondence :**

1. One Voice Wales - Correspondence forwarded by OVW was circulated to Councillors and discussed. Minutes and Notice of area meeting received and discussed (circulated by e mail to Councillors) Details of OVW Conference received.  
Training – Details of forthcoming Training programmes for New Councillors received and discussed
2. Carmarthenshire County Council – Correspondence received was circulated to Councillors . The following matters were discussed :  
‘The Safer routes’ scheme (Clerk to reply indicating support for initiatives to improve cycle routes in the area ) ; The Code of Conduct Training to be held on 6<sup>th</sup> July (Representatives were unable to attend the session as planned. Clerk to request details of presentations etc for circulation to Councillors) ; The response to the enquiry re Cost of Elections ; Nominations of a Community Council representative to the Standards Committee ; An update re the Public Payphone Consultation which was conducted by Carmarthenshire County Council on behalf of BT (BT will be moving the process forward taking account of the recommendations of the consultation) Details awaited.
3. Welsh Government - Correspondence received by email was circulated to Councillors to include Reviews, Notices & Consultations; Initiatives & Public appointments; Bulletins etc. These were considered and noted.
4. HOWLTA Newsletter received.
5. NHS - Hywel Dda – Information pack re transforming Mental health services was received and discussed. Details forward by e mail for Councillors to consider and respond to Questionnaire. Clerk to post details on Notice board.
6. Summer Village event at Cilycwm Playing field Sat 15<sup>th</sup> July - Details / Poster received publicizing this event.
7. Fire and Safety : Newsletter / Poster raising Public awareness of Fire safety issues received and discussed. To be displayed on website and Notice board

**Other Miscellaneous Notices, Local Events, Publications and Newsletters & e mails were made available to Councillors**

### **Financial matters**

- **Adroddiad Ariannol / Financial report . Presented and discussed.**
- **Cais am Arian / Request for financial support (S137)**

*Urdd Gobaith Cymru ; Mari Jones*

Cllr Aled Edwards declared an interest re Request from Miss Mari Jones

*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 :*

*Miss Mari Jones £50 (Mari is a Final year Optometry student at Cardiff University and has been selected to visit Malawi this Summer to offer Optometry services to the poor and needy. The donation is made to support optometry services and purchase equipment*

### **Cadarnhad Taliadau / Confirmation of payments :**

*Chq 594 - £162.50 Mr Lyn Llewelyn (Internal Audit fee)*

*Chq 595 - £244.17 AON UK Ltd (Insurance)*

*Chq 596 - £360 Clerk's net salary (Apr- Jun 2017)*

*Chq 597 - £90 HMRC - Paye (Apr – Jun 2017)*

*Receipts awaited from :*

*Chq 598 - £50 Y Lloffwr S137*

*Chq 599 – £12 Howlta - membership*

- **Biliau i'w Talu / Bills for payment**
- **Derbyniadau / Receipts**  
*£124.13 VAT / TAW*
- **HMRC : RTI Confirmation / Update presented by the Clerk**
- **AWDIT / AUDIT 2016/2017 : The Clerk reported that the Annual return and supporting information had been submitted to the External auditor by the due date (acknowledgement received)**

**SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY :** A copy of this document had been circulated to Councillors for consideration. Details were discussed.

This policy relating to use of Social media in relation to Community Council matters was adopted.

**RESOLUTION PROTOCOL :** A copy of this document had been circulated to Councillors for consideration. Details were discussed.

This document setting out guidelines for resolving disputes / complaints in relation to Community Council matters was adopted.

### **Materion Cymunedol / Community Matters**

Mobile Library services: Details of present weekly service were discussed. Concerns re poor attendance and wheelchair access raised. Further details awaited re delivery of new services. Response to observations made at last meeting awaited. Clerk to monitor progress.

Menter Cilycwm : An update was presented by Cllr Aled Edwards. Progress on legal matters was a concern and it was hoped that this would be resolved.

### **Materion Cynllunio / Planning Matters**

Weekly Planning lists were circulated by e mail to Councillors

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

[www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk/planningapplications](http://www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk/planningapplications)

*Am y diweddara a manylion pellach , ymwelwch a :*

[www.sirgar.gov.uk/ceisiadaucynllunio](http://www.sirgar.gov.uk/ceisiadaucynllunio)

### **Public Footpaths & Highway Issues**

Speed limits update (Porthyrhyd & Siloh) Following further enquiries, Cllr Arwel Davies had been assured that this would be delivered in the current financial year.

Speed limit on road from Dolauhirion to Maesyralt – This was considered but Councillors felt that it might increase traffic on the western route through Cilycwm and down the narrow route from Abercamlais to Henllys fach which was already under pressure from heavy lorries.

The Clerk was asked to report the following matters to Carmarthenshire County Council:

Hedge Trimming : Request to start Verge trimming operations throughout the area in the interest of public safety.

Resurfacing of the lower section of the road over Heol y Rhos which was in poor condition.

Cleaning of culvert on Cefntrenfa hill

### **Updates on :**

**Lloyds Bank** : No response to letter raising concerns re problems with the delivery of the mobile Banking service.

**Llangadog Recycling Centre** : Response from CCC indicating that the observations made at the last meeting would be forwarded to the relevant Dept.

**Mobile Polling Station** (2015 & 2016 Elections) Cllr Moira Davies presented an update. After consultation between the Play area committee and Carmarthenshire County Council, the matter had been successfully resolved and a fee agreed for use of the site for the Mobile Polling booth.

**Use of website** - Clerk was awaiting a response and would liaise further with Mr Chris Robertson.

### **Mobile phone issues**

Cllr Jamie Pickup reported on plans to install an Emergency Services mast above Nantyrnnon, Rhandirmwyn. This was now at the pre application stage. Discussion followed on the ongoing concerns re poor signal reception in the area and the need to explore ways to resolve the issue. He offered to make further enquiries around the Mobile Infrastructure Project (MIP) and the Digital Infrastructure Act . This was welcomed by Councillors. Agreed that he proceed with enquiries on behalf of the Community Council..