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CYNGOR CYMUNED MANORDEIFI COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of the general meeting held on Tuesday 8th March, 2022
at Abercych Village Hall

Meeting opened at 19.45

167. Present

Councillors Elizabeth Hall, Pamela Parsons, Lynda Williams, Aled Lewis, Alan Wilson
County Cllr John Davies
Clerk – Judith Kings

168. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Alan Ford

169. Declarations of interest on matters arising from the agenda

None declared.

170. Approval of Minutes of last meeting

Approved by all.

171. County Councillor report

Storm Eunice caused damage to trees and meant that some homes were without power for a few days. At a full County Council meeting the proposal to increase council tax was passed, although County Cllr Davies voted against the rise. To clarify, Hermon tip is open 3 days a week. A booking system is in operation. County Cllr Davies has identified that some street lights are not operational so will report this to the relevant department.

Matters Arising (not on the agenda)

172. Minute 151. Ramoth Chapel update

The clerk has not been able to find a contact email address for the owner of the above property.

Cllr Lewis reported that the wall is beginning to bulge outwards because of tree roots pushing through. Brambles are also overgrown and creating a hazard for pedestrians.

ACTION: County Cllr Davies will report the site to highways as a dangerous structure.

173. Minute 154. Happy to chat bench update

The clerk informed the meeting that the application had been submitted.

Correspondence

174. Email forwarded regarding the Boundary Commission public hearing

Noted

175. Email forwarded regarding Gwyl Fel 'Na Mai 2022

Noted

176. Email forwarded regarding NRW's Nature and Us campaign

Noted

Council Matters

177. Millennium Garden site visit report

A productive meeting was held on Saturday 5th March. It was established that general wear and tear had led to structural damage, but there was no evidence of vandalism. Wooden structures need to be removed, railings need painting and the ground needs to be cleared and hedges and trees pruned. Cllr Parsons informed the meeting that the Abercych Village Hall committee, although not able to offer practical help with clearing the site, might be

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able to help with generating ideas of how the space could be used. An offer to cut the hedges and trees has been made by a local couple. Cllr Lewis offered to follow this up. Cllr Wilson noted that debris had previously been removed via the field behind the garden by trailer so could contact the relevant person when required to allow for rubbish removal. The Council thinks it would be good for the community to become involved with the development of the garden and therefore proposes to encourage the village to set up a local working group. Only 4-5 people would be needed. The Council would provide benches and tables for the finished garden.

ACTIONS: Clerk to advertise for help with the 'Millennium makeover'.

County Cllr Davies to enquire about engaging the probation service to paint railings

178. Advertising for Internal Auditor

The clerk advised the Council that it requires an internal auditor to check the Council's financial arrangements prior to sending the accounts off to the Auditor General for Wales.

ACTION: Clerk to place advertisements on the relevant Facebook pages as a starting point.

179. Training opportunities

No training courses required at the moment.

180. Decision on One Voice Wales membership

RESOLVED: Membership not required at the moment.

181. Multi location meetings

Following a brief discussion, it was decided to leave the decision as per the previous meeting. The clerk will not publish the decision whilst One Voice Wales are in talks with the Welsh Government.

182. Councillor allowances

Remuneration Panel information regarding mandatory payments had been forwarded to Councillors prior to the meeting. Mandatory payments of £150 per Councillor must be made unless a councillor writes to the clerk indicating that they do not wish to take the allowance. The clerk informed the meeting that there is also a Carers allowance payable if required.

ACTION: The clerk to prepare allowance forms for councillors to fill in at the May meeting.

183. Elections for Community Councillors

The clerk distributed nomination papers and gave a brief outline of the timings involved. It was noted that Cllr Alan Wilson will be retiring at this election. The clerk will post election notices once they are received.

ACTION: Councillors to fill in the forms if they wish to stand for election and forward to the clerk if they wish the clerk to send the forms in for them.

184. Change of meeting day and time

Abercych Village Hall is available on the 2nd Monday of the month as is Newchapel Reading Room.

RESOLVED: to change the day and time of the meeting to the 2nd Monday of the month at 7.00pm. The change will apply from May, so the May meeting will be on Monday May 9th

ACTION: Clerk to distribute a schedule of meetings from May onwards and ensure the venues are booked in advance.

Planning

185. Application 21/1111/PA

Tair Sir, Abercych. Extension of curtilage, erection of garage and associated access. No objections.

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186. Application 21/1043/PA

Cartrefle, Abercych. Erection of single dwelling.

Cllr Parsons noted that a public notice was not visible and residents had not known about the planning application. Cllr Ford had forwarded comments regarding the look of the proposed dwelling and the danger posed by vehicles exiting the proposed parking area. There is still an issue with raised phosphate levels in the river Teifi related to sewerage outlets.

ACTION: Clerk to make comments on the planning application.

187. Prior intention notice 21/1139/AG

Roadway in Ffynone & Cilgwyn woods.

No objections.

188. Appeal against refusal of planning application 20/0792/PA

No comments required as previous comments will be forwarded to the appropriate body.

Financial Matters

189. Balance of accounts

Balance at 2/3/22 – £4,244.24 (including unpresented cheques). Bank reconciliation form and receipts and payment log, previously circulated to councillors, was signed by the chair.

Information sharing/matters for the next meeting

190. The clerk informed the meeting that the matter of online banking needs to be discussed at the next meeting.

191. Cllr Lewis has checked the Newchapel defibrillator machine. Noted by the clerk.

192. Date & venue of next meeting

Tuesday 12th April 2022 at Newchapel Reading Room at 7.45pm

Agenda items to the clerk by: Monday 4th April, 2022

Meeting ended 21.12