**CYNGOR CYMUNED CILGERRAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY**

**23rd FEBRUARY 2015**

Present: Cllrs H Bellamy, N Evans, S Coles, P Bottom, L Williams, E Thomas, J Wimhurst,

 K Griffiths

Apologies: Cllrs J Davies, D Worth

Not Present: Cllr J Green

163 The meeting was preceded by a talk by Mr Tim Thomas. He conveyed his regret in having to give up his role as Community Councillor and explained the reason behind it was his involvement with Ysgol Y Preseli. He explained how the school is in communication with Harvard University in Boston, who have been running a Holistic Student Assessment Program over the last 20 years. It is hoped that awareness of students who have emotional needs will be highlighted and they can access counselling and support at school. Cllr Bellamy thanked Mr Thomas for his talk and wished him well.

164 Minutes of the meeting held on 26th January 2015, proposed as correct by Cllr Bottom and seconded by Cllr Coles.

**165 Matters Arising**

165.1 A letter of resignation was received by Pat Jones. Members expressed their regret and asked the Clerk to send a letter of thanks.

165.2 Equipment Inspection Report – In a written report, Cllr Davies reported that the MUGA lights had not been working again but have since been repaired. The Clerk reported that the Annual Inspection Report had been carried out by the County recently. A number of findings require continued monitoring, with the following actions to be taken: The Clerk to ask the Village Warden to remove litter and scrub clean the grass, moss and weeds on the surface of MUGA that has collected on the edge and in the corners; to monitor the poor drainage in the playground; to contact Lapsett regarding the worn centre swivel on the spring board and to discuss the introduction of non-slip surface on the beams of the multi-play unit; to monitor the ground erosion at the pedestrian gates. Cllr Bottom will replace the missing caps on the youth shelter. The Clerk will inform the County of the rectifications made.

165.3 Parc Y Dre User Agreement – Cllr Griffiths reported that following the recent meeting with some of the User Groups, there had been no objections and the Agreement can now be adopted. A number of points were raised and Cllr Griffiths discussed them with members at length. Cllr Griffiths proposed the following;

 (a) That the agreement be amended by deleting the changing rooms as an available facility, as it is the property of the football club. Seconded by Cllr Bottom and all in favour.

 (b) To replace the toilet locks and distribute keys to the users. Seconded by Cllr Bottom and all in favour.

 (c) To write to Mr Everton, who holds a key to the gate at Parc Y Dre, making him aware of the agreement and its importance. Seconded by Cllr Wimhurst and all in favour.

 (d) That the grass leading from the edge of the football pitch to the hedge be cut at least 2 to 3 times per annum. Cllr Thomas kindly agreed to do this, with Cllr Wimhurst proposing that Cllr Thomas be recompensed for his costs. All members in favour.

 (e) That the bonfire debris and rubbish behind the toilets be cleared. Members agreed that this needed to be done as soon as possible. Cllr Williams proposed that a quote be obtained from Ultima Cleaning Company to include cleaning of the toilets. This would be e-mailed to members for approval before the next meeting. All in favour.

 The Clerk was asked to contact all users who were not at the meeting, to advise them that the User Agreement would come into use as of the 1st March 2015.

165.4 PCSO Ben Cole had requested the use of Parc Y Dre field on the 12th March for a police helicopter to land for the school children to experience. This was agreed unanimously.

165.5 Dog Fouling Posters – Members agreed that the Clerk should write to the school asking the children of all age groups to design a poster. The top three will receive prizes with the overall winner to be copied into a sign to be placed around Cilgerran and the surroundings areas.

165.6 Additional Litter Bins - In a written report, Cllr Davies reported that the bins should be delivered before mid-March to be located at Pumporth, Cnwce and Parc Y Dre.

165.7 Menter Iaith – An open day is planned for the 7th March 2015 at the village hall, with the Community Council having a ‘stall’. The Clerk confirmed that she would prepare some information bilingually and requested that photos of Councillors be forwarded to her as soon as possible.

165.8 Twinning – No further information had been received apart from confirmation that Mrs C Collins was in the process of applying for the grant.

165.9 Parking at Maesgerran – In a written report, Cllr Davies reported that traffic management officers at the County Council had decided that there is little that can be done from the public purse as nearly all the houses of Maesgerran are privately owned.

165.10 Road Surface at Church Street – In a written report, Cllr Davies confirmed that a temporary repair had been done to fill the potholes with more permanent tarmacking to happen post April.

165.11 MUGA Complaint – A written complaint was received from Mr Nichols in which he requested a copy of the Health & Safety report for the MUGA and playground. After a lengthy discussion, Cllr Williams proposed that Cllr Coles, who has the necessary Health & Safety qualifications (IOSH), carry out a risk assessment. Seconded by Cllr Griffiths and all in favour. Cllr Coles agreed that she would carry out the assessment, monitor the outcomes and visit the resident to ask him to keep a diary of any incidents. The Clerk will look into the planning conditions and liaise with Cllr Coles.

**166 Correspondence.**

166.1 Requests for financial support from various charities and organisations were received. Members decided unanimously to donate £50 to Cymdeithas Cardi Bach Society and £100 to Pembrokeshire YFC (the same amount as last year).

166.2 The annual membership to SLCC is due for renewal, Councillors decided unanimously to renew the membership.

166.3 One Voice Wales – The annual membership is due for renewal. Councillors decided unanimously to renew the membership.

166.4 SLCC – West Wales Branch Meeting on 7th March in Tenby. Unfortunately, the Clerk is unable to attend due to a previous engagement. Seen and noted.

166.5 Welsh Assembly – Finance Committee Consultation into Consideration of Powers, Public Services Ombudsman. Please see website. Seen and noted.

166.6 Welsh Government – Reforming Local Government Power to Local People White Paper. The online consultation survey can be accessed on the website. Seen and noted.

166.7 Welsh Government – Consultation document for Tax Devolution in Wales – Land Transaction Tax to replace Stamp Duty Land Tax in Wales in 2018. Please see website. Seen and noted.

166.8 Welsh Government – Invitation to a Welsh Stakeholders Event on the Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD) Programme of Measures Consultation on 6th March at Cardiff. Seen and noted.

166.9 Pembrokeshire County Council – Community Renewable Event at County Hall, 19th March at 6pm. Seen and noted.

166.10 OVW – Draft Revised National Training Strategy 2015-2019. Survey to be completed by 19/3/2015. See website. Seen and noted

166.11 Ceredigion LDP Supplementary Planning Guidance Consultation – Representations can be made online. Seen and noted.

**167 Development Control:**

 **Planning Applications.**

167.1 Ashville, Pen Y Bryn, Cardigan – Alterations & Extension (partly in retrospect) – 14/0851/PA. Permission has been granted. Seen and noted.

167.2 Derlwyn, Llwyncelyn, Cilgerran – Erection of an affordable dwelling – 14/0152/PA. Permission has been refused. Seen and noted.

167.3 Ffynon Llawddog, Blaenffos, Boncath – Two storey extension – 14/0882/PA. Permission has been granted. Seen and noted.

167.4 13, Golwg Y Preseli, Cilgerran – Tree Surgery – 14/1006/TF. No objections.

**168 Finance**

 Balance as at close of meeting 26/1/2015 Current Account £9,810.00

 Reserve Account £8,782.30

 Total £18,592.30

**Payments**

168.1 Valeria Varney (Jan Salary) £234.23

168.2 Dwr Cymru £33.11

168.3 SWALEC £23.23

 Total Payments £290.57

**Income**

168.4 MUGA Tokens £26.00

168.5 Bank Interest 0.36

 Total Income £26.36

 Balance as at close of meeting 23/2 /15 Current Account £9,545.43

 Reserve Account £8,782.66

 Total £18,328.09

168.6 The above payments were proposed as correct by Cllr Griffiths and seconded by Cllr Thomas.

**169 County Councillor’s Report.**

169.1 Cllr Davies was not present at the meeting.

169.2 In a written report, Cllr Davies confirmed that sadly the National Trust Governing Body have declined the offer from the estate of a deceased individual from the village. It means that the parcel of land and the sum of money that came from it reverts back to the estate of the deceased. The land is therefore not available for public benefit. The reasons given were that it was seen as a long term liability to the Trust.

169.3 Cllr Davies reported that informal consultations will commence with statutory bodies, with a view to reducing the current speed limit at Rhoshill to 40mph limit.

**170 Community Forum.**

170.1 Cllr Griffiths reported that the AGM is due before May, but Mrs Niazi, the Chair has already reported that she is stepping down as is Cllr Griffiths as Treasurer. There is concern that the forum will fall apart and Cllr Griffiths urged members that if they knew of anyone interested in taking on the roles, to please come forward. PLANED have always been supportive, however due to recent re organisation matters have changed. Consideration will have to be given to the funds still available. Cllr Evans suggested that perhaps the funds could be used for the war memorial.

**171 Any Other Business.**

171.1 Cllr Bottom reported that there is concern about cars speeding over Hammett Bridge and asked if enquiries could be made to obtain ‘slow down’ signs. The Clerk will liaise with Cllr Davies.

171.2 Cllr Williams reported that as a representative of the Community Council, she would be attending the Festive Week Committee AGM and asked if there was anything that needed reporting.

171.3 Cllr Williams reported that Mrs Penny Phillips had shown an interest in becoming a Community Councillor. Members requested that she write to the Clerk and be invited to the next meeting.

171.4 Cllr Williams reported that she had received a complaint about noise on the Bryn Gerran estate and asked if there was anything that the Community Council could do. Members confirmed that it was a matter for the police. Cllr Williams will liaise with the residents.

Date of next meeting: 23rd March 2015

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 Chairman

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 Clerk to Cilgerran Community Council