**BONCATH COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Councillors –, Alan Bowen, Rod Bowen (County Cllr),Puw Davies, Rhys Davies, Kevin Davies, Robert James, Hedd Ladd- Lewis, Will Smart**

**Clerk – Mandy Phillips**

Minutes of the meeting held in Boncath Hall on Tuesday, 5th November 2019 at 7pm

**Present**

**Councillors** Robert James (Chairman), Alan Bowen, Rhys Davies, Robert James, Kevin Davies, Will Smart, Rod Bowen (County Cllr)

**Clerk -** Mandy Phillips

1. **Welcome**

Chairman, Cllr Robert James welcomed all to the meeting.

1. **Apologies**

Cllr Hedd Ladd Lewis

1. **Minutes**

Cllr Alan Bowen proposed that the minutes were correct and seconded by Cllr Kevin Davies

1. **Matters arising from the minutes**

(a) Adoption of Standing Order and Financial Policy for Boncath Community Council – Proposed by Cllr Will Smart and seconded by Alan Bowen

(b) Update from Will Smart regarding condition of benches situated in both Blaenffos and Boncath. 2 new benches are required at Gerallt and near Blaenffos chapel. Councillors asked that Cllr Smart obtain estimates from local contractors regarding situating the benches.

(c) Cllr Rod Bowen to share information of grants available with Merched y Wawr Blaenffos regarding if there are any grants available to support Merched y Wawr, Blaenffos in their efforts in raising funds to have a difibulator Installed in Blaenffos

1. **Correspondence**
2. Confirmation of receipt of letter sent to Mr Peter Horton, Planning Enforcement Officer regarding looking into the erection of stables and caravan in field West of Ietwen, Boncath and whether planning regulations have been breached –**noted**
3. Email from Holly Cross, Clerk for Clydau CC asking for support in applying for Enhancing Pembrokeshire Grant to employ a member of staff to support volunteers who are struggling to run village halls. This would be on a part time basis and have responsibility for Hermon, Clydau, Boncath, and Tegryn halls To support the application Boncath CC would need to pledge £1,051 for the year 2020/21. Clerk to send a letter to Holly stating that the councillors agree in Principle to the proposal but would have to further discuss financial support in November’s meeting.
4. Financial Report from Antur Teifi - **noted**
5. Information from ‘Play Wales’ regarding launching ‘Project Play Autumn- noted
6. Email from Cllr Rod Bowen informing Councillors of LDP Members Seminar Presentation held at PCC. Cllr Bowen to email further information to the Councillors
7. Email from County Cllr Rod Bowen regarding recent Planning applications and appeals **- noted**
8. Email regarding proposed 50 mph speed limit on the A478 and B4332 to the North of Blaenffos.- **noted**
9. Letter from Rachel James, on behalf of Crymych Eisteddfod asking for financial support for next year’s event. It was proposed by Cllr Alan Bowen and seconded by Cllr Rhys Davies that a donation of £175 be sent to sponsor a specific competition.
10. Letter from Neil Hemington , Chief planning Officer regarding guidance

securing biodiversity enhancements in development proposals- **noted**

1. Letter from BT regarding the removal of the phone boxes in Boncath and Blaenffos. Clerk to contact BT to see if the phone box in Blaenffos can be purchased by the Council. The Playing field committee has purchased Boncath phone box.
2. Yearly report from Independent remuneration Panel for Wales – **noted**

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 **5. Planning**

(a) Pembrokeshire County Council –Planning Application consultation withdrwan **-** New Dwelling adjacent to Ger Y Nant, 5, Clos-y-gerddi, Blaenffos, Boncath, SA37 0HP **19/0791/PA – Noted**

1. **Finance**

(a)Financial Statement –August 2019 - £4,577.59

(b) Financial statement -September 2019 - £4,131.99

(c) the clerk was still not receiving statements from Barclays Bank even

 though a letter had been sent to inform them of a new clerk being

 appointed. Another letter to be sent and signed by the Councillors. (d)Payment to the Clerk for the month of October –Proposed by Cllr Rhys

 Davies, seconded by Cllr Will Smart

**8. Any Other business**

 (a) Information for the new recycling and waste scheme shared

(b)The Clerk to contact Robert Thomas, IT Technician at Preseli School for advice on purchasing a Laptop and projector for the Council had looked into the cost of purchasing a laptop and projector.

 The chairman thanked all for their presence and declared the meeting closed at 8.05pm

 The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 4th December 2019 in the

 Vestry of Blaenffos Chapel at 7pm.

 Mandy Phillips -01239841791