

**January 2024 2023** - Minutes of Meeting **Cyngor Cymuned Eglwysrw Community Council**

Minutes of the monthly meeting held at Hen Ysgol Eglwysrw on Wednesday the 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at 8pm

**94. PRESENT**

Cllrs – Mrs Lon Davies ( Chair ) Mrs Enid Cole, Mr Ieuan Davies, Sion Lewis Morgan, Mr Gareth Johnson , Mrs Sian Wyn Jones, Mr Robin Philipps, County Cllr John Davies, Mrs Nia Siggins (Clerk).

**95. APOLOGIES**

Cllr Arwel Evans

**96 .CHAIR'S OPENING COMMENTS**

The Chair Cllr Lon Davies welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**97. Minutes of the monthly meeting held on December 5<sup>th</sup> 2023**

After pre-circulation of the minutes and consideration of their accuracy, they were noted and signed as a correct record. It was a unanimous decision of all present.

**98. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS - NONE**

**99. MATTERS ARISING AND ACTIONS**

a. Cllr Gareth Johnson presented members with a quote for a replacement noticeboard made out of the previously agreed resilient materials. Cllr Johnson noted that the existing posts are not in need of replacement hence the board will cost £981-31. Cty Cllr John Davies suggested that the Clerk contact Wales and West Community Liaison Officer, Rhiannon Ling to enquire whether a donation towards the cost of the noticeboard might be supported by W&WHA. **Action Clerk**

b. Invoice from Owain Smart for church lighting received. Clerk to send cheque. **Action Clerk**

c. Clerk confirmed that ECC response to the Boundary Consultation was sent by the deadline.

d. Clerk confirmed that the agreed donation of £200 to the Senior Citizens has been received by them.

e. Clerk needs to establish what rental income is owed for Yr Hen Ysgol for the financial year 23/24. **Action Clerk**

f. Clerk confirmed that ECC's response to the planning application at Blaenffynnon NP/20/0392 NP/23/0198/S73 has been posted on the planning portal.

**100. MATTERS FOR DECISION**

ECC Budget Consideration for 2024-2025

Members discussed budgetary requirements for the coming financial year. It was generally noted that costs have increased despite best efforts to ensure the precept is spent carefully within the guidelines. The Clerk is currently seeking renewal quotes from Zurich and other companies for the municipal insurance. The precept request form needs to be returned by the deadline of the 24<sup>th</sup> of January therefore time is of the essence. A figure of £8000 was discussed and felt to be a reasonable request for this financial year. Cllr Enid Cole proposed that this should be the figure and was seconded by Cllr Gareth Johnson. All members present agreed unanimously. **Action Clerk** to complete the precept request form by the deadline.

#### 101 CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was considered by members.

- Invitation David Astin to attend “ Working Better Together “ online seminar on January 23<sup>rd</sup>.

#### 102. DEVELOPMENT CONTROL

23/0717/PA 09/1004/PA erection of two dwellings at the Old Vicarage, Eglwysrw, SA41 3SN

All members unanimously in support of both dwellings. **Action Clerk** to respond indicating ECC support on the planning portal.

#### 103. FINANCE

Acc. balance net of all payments £9828-25

#### 104. COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

Cty Cllr John Davies reported that localised flooding in the Eglwysrw area following the heavy rain was successfully contained and caused minimal disruption.

Cllr Davies updated members as to the reason why planning for a new shop and trading area at Siop y Frenni in Crymych was turned down on this occasion. As Crymych is a service town to Eglwysrw he felt it is important that members understand the reasons for refusal. They included the need for improved biodiversity, improved disabled facilities, additional screening/ crash barrier to protect the rear residential development and the scale of the building proposed being over 500 m square. Cllr Davies noted that these issues could be resolved if the applicants submitted a new application dealing with the current reasons of refusal. Obviously every application is considered on its own merits.

Speed monitoring equipment is soon to be installed at Crosswell.

Cty Cllr responded to a question raised by Cllr Sian Wyn Jones on behalf of a resident of the Rhosfach, Llantood area enquiring why the public bus refuses to offload passengers at that location. **Action Cty Cllr John Davies** will raise this issue with Simon Richards from Richards Bros.

#### 105. Date of next monthly meeting

6<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 8pm in Yr Hen Ysgol.

Signed : Nia Siggins Dated January 12<sup>th</sup> 2024

Clerk to Eglwysrw Community Council

### **ACTION LOG**

#### **MINUTE**

99 (a) Contact WWHA for possible contribution to noticeboard	Clerk
99 (b) Send cheques to Owain Smart for invoice supplied	Clerk
99 (e) Seek an invoice from Yr Hen Ysgol for rental 23/24	Clerk
100. complete precept request form and return by deadline	Clerk
102. Respond ECC approval of new dwellings at The Old Vicarage	Clerk
104. Refer bus stop query to Simon Richards	Cty Cllr John Davies.