

MARCH 2024 - Minutes of Meeting **Cyngor Cymuned Eglwyswrrw Community Council**

Minutes of the monthly meeting held at Hen Ysgol Eglwyswrrw on Wednesday March 13th 2024 at 8pm

118 PRESENT

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

119. APOLOGIES

Cllr Mr Robin Phillips,

120. CHAIR'S OPENING COMMENTS

The Chair Cllr Lon Davies welcomed everyone to the meeting.

121. Minutes of the monthly meeting held on February 13th 2024

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.

122. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS - NONE

123. MATTERS ARISING AND ACTIONS

a. The quote for the new noticeboard has been received and the form for a Community Assistance grant has been completed and will be returned to WWH supported by suitable quotes. Cllr Lon Davies (Chair) thanked Cllr Sian Jones for her generous offer to provide the posts for the new noticeboard . **Action – Clerk**

b. ECC has received an invoice for the rent of Yr Hen Ysgol. It appears to be £80 (4 months) less than expected. It was agreed to pay the invoice and request a further invoice for the additional 4 months. **Action Clerk**

c. Cllr agreed that the defibrillator is informally checked by members. It was suggested that we contact the British Heart Foundation to see if there is a checklist for necessary procedure that ECC could use to place the checks on a more formal basis – **Action Clerk**

d. NP/24/0062/FUL Castell Gorfod approval of ECC posted on National Park planning portal .

e. Budget for FY 2024-25 – the Clerk circulated a template for members to consider budgetary decisions for the next financial year. Cty Cllr Mr John Davies noted that we have not yet heard from the Audit Office about this year's audit date. We need an audit certificate for this year and we need to assess the current position. The Clerk will contact the Audit office for clarification – **Action Clerk.**

124. MATTERS FOR DECISION

Cllr Sion Lewis Morgan asked members if they are willing to write a letter in support of Eglwysrwrw YFC's application to Enhancing Pembrokeshire for a grant for the disabled toilets. All members were in support and Cllr Sion Morgan will arrange for a copy of the application to be sent to the Clerk so that a letter of support can be sent. **Action- Cllr Sion Lewis Morgan and Clerk.**

125 . CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was considered by members.

- Letter from Gerwyn Williams the Chair of FUW regarding the WG consultation for the Sustainable Farming Scheme. He urges all community councils to give regard to the possible impact for businesses in rural communities.
<https://www.fuw.org.uk/index.php/en/sfs-consultation>
- Invitation from Mr Robert Smith for councillors to attend the Bishops lunch September 8th at 1 pm.
- Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Report February 2024
- Letter from Dyfed Police and Crime Commissioner Dafydd Llywelyn about the funding cuts made by WG to the All Wales Schools Programme.
- PCNP Local Development Plan 2 Annual Monitoring Report .
- Letter from Gwyl Fel Na Mai in Crymych asking for financial support for the third year of the festival.

126. DEVELOPMENT CONTROL

No applications have been received this month.

127.. FINANCE

Acc balance net of all payments £9631-27

128. COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

- Speed monitoring in Crosswell has been completed (7 days).
- The mirror that was removed from Windrush junction is in the safe custody of Cty Cllr John Davies and will be moved to a different location on the same road to provide enhanced visibility.
- There will be a temporary road closure Rhosfach to Trewilim for 2 days.
- Cty Cllr Davies discussed the 12.5% increase in Council Tax for Pembrokeshire residents. Due to the current financial challenges he warned members to expect cuts to services . The cuts may affect local leisure services (possibly losing one day a week at Crymych leisure centre. Recycling centres may also face cuts and schools are to lose 1% of their budgets. In addition it was noted that Highways has had a big cut to their budget which will obviously affect the quality of our roads in Pembrokeshire.
- Public consultation about the 40mp zone to the A487 at Eglwysrwrw will commence shortly.

129. Date of next monthly meeting

Tuesday 9th April 2024 at 8 pm.

Signed : Nia Siggins Dated March 17th 2024

Clerk to Eglwysrwrw Community Council

ACTION LOG

MINUTE

123 (a) Submit Community Assistance grant form for noticeboard Clerk

123 (b) Pay rent and request additional invoice from Yr Hen Ysgol Clerk

123 (c) Contact BHF re defibrillator checklist Clerk

123 (e) Circulate draft budget FY 2024-25 and contact Audit Office Clerk

124. Letter of support from ECC to support YFC Cllr Sion Morgan and Clerk