**CYNGOR CYMUNED DINAS CROSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday April 11th 2024, YHY 12.30pm with Welsh Water**

Members present –Eric Nicholas, Keith Battrick, Lynne Upsdell, Phil Simpson, Jon King (Local resident), Kelly Jordan (WW), Ryan (WW)

Apologies – None

The purpose of this meeting with Welsh Water was to clarify the situation surrounding the new housing development the proposed next phase due to start May 2023 and the capacity of the sewerage system in Dinas Cross located at Brynhenllan.

Elin started the meeting by sharing the questions posed by Harriet Pemberton in her absence. These were all emailed to council members prior to this meeting. Kelly Jordan from WW took a copy of these and where data wasn’t available at the meeting, she would send this information on to Elin.

WW were very clear that the system at Brynhenllan had more than enough dry capacity to accommodate another 100 dwellings in Dinas Cross. All foul water i.e toilet, sink, drains etc from all dwellings in Dinas Cross goes to Brynhenllan apart from those with cesspit tanks. In the last six years, only foul water is accepted in the treatment works and not surface water. Kelly pointed out that treatment works are allowed to spill in storm conditions but this would not lead to raw sewerage being spilled, she gave a brief overview of how the foul water is treated.

Councillors raised concerns over the ban on planning in Dinas Cross approximately 10 years ago with NP giving the reason as not enough sewerage capacity. Both Kelly and Ryan were unable to shed anymore light on the above matter as it was before their time, but did point out that capacity has not changed at Brynhenllan.

All links to various agencies and info have been sent to me by Kelly and these have all been circulated to you.

The foul odour around the new housing development is under investigation and WW will not adopt the network from the contractors until all aspects have been satisfied.

As of 1st February, WW have a real time map on their website showing storm overflows on to designated bathing beaches. As from March 2025 all beaches will be on the map. PG is currently and has been for a number of years a non-designated beach.

Discussions took place around designated and non-designated beaches. Kelly would find out why testing at PG had stopped. The reply given by PCC *It was stopped due to failures from a cesspit at an old café there’*. They didn’t have any data to share with me though.

Kelly has sent through a number of links to look at the process of getting a non-designated beach, to a designated beach, it would be a lengthy process but can be done. This is something the CC need to discuss at the next meeting. All links to various agencies and info have been sent to me by Kelly and these have all been circulated to you.

Elin also shared an email sent from NRW Shane Thomas to Harriet Pemberton re pollution sighting near PG. Kelly to look into this.

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