

CLYDACH COMMUNITY COUNCIL FULL COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Community Council Meeting held on 13th February 2018

The meeting convened at the Community Hall at 7-00 p.m. present:

Cllrs. J Davies, M Bowmer, R Jenkins, G, Ffrancon, S Thomas, B Thomas, G Walker, I Whitehurst and G Richards

131/2018: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Apologies were received on behalf of Cllrs M Bailey, L Jenkins, C Flynn and A Jenkins. In the absence of the Chair and the Vice Chair immediate past Chair J Davies chaired the meeting.

132/2018: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Cllr. Davies declared an interest in respect of any discussions relating to Graigfelelen School and the Caretaker and Cllr Walker in respect of any planning matters

133/2018: TEN MINUTE PERIOD FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

No-one had asked to make use of this facility.

134/2018: GRAIGFELEN COMMUNITY HALL

The Clerk advised that the electrician was calling to deal with the outstanding electrical faults on Friday 16th February. The Deputy Caretaker will remind him that there are matters requiring attention at the main hall.

135/2018: PARKING IN THE VILLAGE It is understood that the Co-operative supermarket has agreed to allow access from their car park and to endeavour to move matters along the Clerk will contact them for confirmation.

136/2018: PLAY PARK AT FORGE FACH: A date for an official opening of the park has to be agreed and the 1st of March was suggested. Also the possibility of including a crawling tunnel was raised and the Clerk advised that there had been an email flyer received in the office. He will circulate the details

137/2018: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING 9th January 2018

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 9th January 2018 had been circulated prior to the meeting and were unanimously approved.

138/2018 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

1. John Glenn has provided a quote in the sum of £750 incl VAT for the roller shutter. They had made an error with the email address. The meeting felt this was expensive so the Clerk will seek alternatives.
2. The Clerk and the Chair will obtain gardening quotes in time for the new season.

139/2018 REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS:

1. In Cllr Bailey's absence the Clerk raised a couple of matters that he wanted progressed. The Community Plan survey had been circulated prior to the meeting and its release was approved by the meeting. The meeting agreed that there should be a bilingual version even if it were separate and Cllr Ffrancon indicated that she would be happy to translate. He also asked for permission to contact relevant cabinet members and ministers to see what commitment there is to local schools regarding safety and modernisation. The lack of lollipop ladies at some of the schools was raised by some who had responded to the Community Council so far. Cllr Walker will advise the Clerk who to contact to raise the subject with the local authority. The meeting felt it was strange to have lollipop men/ladies stationed at pelican crossings while some schools had no cover. The Clerk will email all the schools in the village to involve them and see whether they would be prepared to attend a meeting on the evening of the next Halls and Events meeting on 6th March
2. Cllr Davies raised concerns over whether the local authority were overseeing the company currently managing Forge Fach. Looking at their accounts would not throw any light on the position as they operate at several different locations. The Clerk will speak to the legal department at the local authority for clarification. Apparently they no longer accept cash payments for the use of the MUGA which stops some groups from hiring the facility.
3. Cllr Ffrancon raised the question of whether the Community Council had a Welsh Language policy and at the moment we do not appear to do so. The meeting agreed that it would be good practice to have one and there is a template available which will be amended to suit our needs and presented at the next meeting for approval.
4. Clerk will email Cllr Flynn for an update on the Business Support Working Group.

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140/2018: COMMITTEE REPORTS

Hall and Events Committee - Cllr Ffrancon had prepared and circulated notes from the meeting with action points allocated to various Councillors for attention. The local authority had indicated that they were investigating the feasibility of providing a data protection service and subject to cost we could be interested although it was agreed we should also seek guidance from One Voice Wales. Clerk will respond to the email.

The Clerk will book the bar for our summer events.

The Clerk and the Chair will update the application form for the next round of Community Awards so Cllr Ffrancon can promote it on Facebook.

Planning Committee

- a. Land @ 2 Glyndefaid Cottage, Ynys Y Mond Road, Glais- retention of building as farriers workshop/office and training centre for equestrian centre 2593/2017
- b. 48 Ywyn Bedw Road, Clydach – Confirmation of lawful use 0120/2018

Audit Committee - (all invoices for payment are scrutinised by the Audit committee prior to presentation to full council)

Item	Amount
1. Wages	£ 2,161.81
2. Tax and NIC	414.95
3. Refund to Clerk (Flags & Pole)	222.87
4. Refund to Caretaker (Hall sundries & Travel)	70.44
5. Shaun Bowmer (Trees & Flags)	70.00
6. Refund to Cllr Bowmer	11.40
7. Chubb	243.65
8. One Voice Wales subscription	1,072.00
9. Eurooffice	144.40
10. One Voice Wales (Seminar)	40.00

£ 4,451.52

ACTIONS:

- Cllrs to make the BACS payments
Clerk to distribute cheques as required.

141/2018: CORRESPONDENCE –

1. With regard to the Community Fund payments we have received thank you letters from Ty Croeso, the Schools and Action 4 Elders. We have also received a thank you card from the Rainbows and a cheque for £150 as a contribution towards the provision of the Hall. Applications for grants will be invited and the Clerk and Chair will update the form.
2. We have received a letter from the local authority advising that the bill for last year's elections will be £300.
3. We have received a thank you card from the retiring librarian.
4. The Calvary Church has indicated that they would like to continue the arrangement for the hire of the hall on Sundays. Any new agreement should incorporate a 3 months notice clause on either side and they will be advised that the charges for the use of the hall will be reviewed shortly.

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142/2018 STAFF AND MEMBERS TRAINING – The Clerk continues to circulate Councillors with details of suitable training events. Councillors have expressed interest in a wide range of subjects but so far the venues have not been convenient.

143/2018 NEXT MEETING The next meeting of the full Council will be held at 7.00 pm. on Tuesday 13th March 2018 preceded as usual by the Planning Committee and Audit Committee at 6.30 pm. The next Halls and Events meeting will be on Tuesday 6th March @ 6.30pm

The meeting closed at 8-30 pm.

The above minutes are approved as a true record

Signed Chair Community Council:

Date: