

CLYDACH COMMUNITY COUNCIL FULL COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Community Council Meeting held on 14th October 2014.

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

Cllrs. J Davies (Chair), P. Morgan, P Dalling, R Jenkins, M. Bowmer, K Bevan, G Richards, G Walker and I Whitehurst

119/2014: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Apologies were received on behalf of Cllrs B Gardiner, L Jenkins and D Owen.

120/2014: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Cllrs Morgan and Davies declared an interest in respect of the discussions relating to Graigfelen Community Hall, Cllr Walker declared an interest in respect of all planning matters. Cllrs Davies and Morgan declared an interest in respect of item 2 of the Planning Committee Report

121/2014: POLICE REPORT: No report was available from the Police. The Clerk was asked to write to them reminding them of the dates of the regular monthly meetings and to ask if a summary of the latest local crime figures could be emailed to the Clerk in advance of Council Meetings if the Police were not going to be attending. Councillors expressed their concern about the number of youths hanging around the square and would like an update on the incident at the Spar. Would the CCTV van be available to help combat potential problems.

122/2014: TEN MINUTE PERIOD FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS COUNCIL:

No one had requested to make use of this facility.

123/2014: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING 9th SEPTEMBER 2014

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 9th September 2014 had been circulated prior to the meeting and were unanimously approved.

124/2014: THE FUTURE OF GRAIGFELEN COMMUNITY HALL AND FORGE FACH

The lease for the Hall still lies with the City and County of Swansea. As far as Forge Fach is concerned there is no news to report however there has been an approach about the Community Council taking over the running of the play area which is currently closed. £2,500 is needed to bring the equipment up to the required standard. There would be additional costs for insurance and an annual inspection but there are funds available by way of grant and the Community Council has had some assistance in drafting an application form. Before that happens we would need to have assurances that our taking over the park would not be prejudiced by any future sale of Forge Fach which would need to be incorporated in any future lease. The Clerk will find out what the cost would be for the insurance and will obtain dates for a meeting with the Council to discuss the matter further. The Clerk will circulate dates as soon as possible

125/2014: COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. **Halls Committee** – It was proposed that the Halls Committee and the Events Committee be separated and this was carried unanimously. The village green will be used as the first car park for the upcoming Fireworks Display. The Clerk will seek permission from the Health Centre for the use of their car park. The purchase of new Christmas Tree lights was approved as was the purchase of 10 new brackets for the trees.
- b. **Planning Committee**
 1. Former Miller's bakery, Clydach – Change of use to Hot Food Takeaway, Domino's Pizza
2014/1385
 2. Clydach Hospital, Quarr Road – Demolition of existing former hospital building, construction of 10 affordable dwellings. Main frontage retained and conversion for 4 apartments.
2014/1397
 3. 28 Kingrosia Park, Clydach – Dormer roof extension
2014/1424
- c. **Finance Committee** – The Committee considered draft accounts up to the end of August along with projected figures for the full year. The finances are in a relatively healthy position. The Committee was however conscious of the current financial climate and unanimously recommended a below inflation increase in next year's Precept of 1%. The meeting approved this recommendation.
- d. **Audit Committee** - *(all invoices for payment are scrutinised by the Audit committee prior to presentation to full council)*

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The council approved the recommendations of the Audit and Accounts Committee for payment of the following invoices

Item	Amount	VAT	Cheque Number
1. Wages	£1,796.34		BACS
2. Tax & NIC	£299.79		BACS
3. City and County of Swansea - Rates	£350.00		BACS
4. M Bowmer Expenses	£31.00		BACS
5. B Gardiner Expenses	£49.81		BACS
6. SWALEC	£235.43		BACS
7. Mazars	£420.00		BACS
8. BT Internet	£1,996.00		BACS
9. Low Cost Printing	£125.00		
ACTIONS:	£5,603.37		
• Cllrs to make the BACS payments Clerk to distribute as required.			

126/2014 CORRESPONDENCE:

1. The Clerk reported that documents regarding the development proposals at Abergelli Power Station had been received and were available for inspection in the office.
2. Catherine Boswell had emailed the Council about the land behind Forge Fach. The Council had understood that this land would be tidied up as part of the construction of the fish pass by the Environment Agency and the Clerk will arrange an early meeting to try to resolve the matter.
3. The YGG Gellionnen emailed the Council. There is an additional vacancy for a Community Governor and Councillor Davies is interested in the post. The meeting unanimously approved of Councillor Davies accepting this appointment and the Clerk will respond accordingly.

127/2014 STAFF AND MEMBERS TRAINING – The Clerk continues to circulate Councillors with details of suitable training events. One Voice Wales has already been advised that we would be interested in hosting training and the Clerk will endeavour to arrange for this to take place when the next batch of seminars is being planned. In particular Councillors had indicated interest in Code of Conduct seminars and details will be distributed when there is a local venue.

128/2014 NEXT MEETING The next meeting of the full Council will be held at 7.00 pm. on Tuesday 11th November 2014. The Planning Committee will meet at usual at 6.30 pm.

The meeting closed at 8-45pm

The above minutes are approved as a true record

Signed Chair Community Council:

Date: