

# CLYDACH COMMUNITY COUNCIL FULL COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Community Council Meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2015.

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

Cllrs. J Davies (Chair), B Gardiner, L Jenkins, R Jenkins, G Richards, K Bevan, G Walker, I Whitehurst and M Bowmer

**34/2015: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Apologies were received on behalf of Cllrs D Owen, P Morgan and Dalling.

**35/2015: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** Cllr Davies declared an interest in respect of the discussions relating to Graigfelen Community Hall and Cllr Walker in respect of all planning matters.

**36/2015: POLICE REPORT:** There was no report from the Police. The next PACT meeting is scheduled for Friday 29th May and the Clerk will advertise it on the Facebook page.

## **37/2015 MYNYDD y GWAIR WIND FARM**

Gwenllian Elias outlined the progress on Mynydd y Gwair Wind Farm site and in particular highlighted the Community Investment programme in relation to the project.

*"RWE NRL has a long-term commitment to Swansea and the surrounding area. Subject to gaining consent for the Mynydd y Gwair Wind Farm, RWE NRL would offer a community investment package that would be delivered annually to create a valuable, long term and reliable source of income for the local community.*

*"We would hope to support a range of projects with this fund including groups and events relating to sport, education and local tourism. We welcome further enquiries from community groups and organisations who would like to discuss opportunities for RWE NRL to get involved with their projects."*

They would be happy to come to a meeting and do a presentation on the Community Investment programme and will get in touch to arrange a date.

## **38/2015 CLYDACH YOUTH GROUP**

Suzy Mayhew attended and outlined the problems facing the Clydach Youth group and the meeting made it clear that they would do all they can to help find a central location for meetings to resume. Funding has been approved and jobs are currently being advertised so that regular meetings can restart. The link will be posted on the Council Facebook page to encourage applications.

## **39/2015: TEN MINUTE PERIOD FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS COUNCIL:**

No one had requested to make use of this facility.

## **40/2014: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING 10<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2015**

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2015 had been circulated prior to the meeting and were unanimously approved.

## **41/2014: THE FUTURE OF GRAIGFELEN COMMUNITY HALL AND FORGE FACH**

The handover of both is imminent. The Community Council is ready to take over Graigfelen Hall and await the draft lease for approval. We have been advised not to agree to a short term lease but rather sign a full 99 year lease. A meeting has been suggested for 29<sup>th</sup> April and as many Councillors as possible will attend.

## **42/2015: COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **a. Planning Committee**

1. Heol Eithrim, Clydach – Demolish old school canteen and erect 9 new detached houses. New access road. 2015/0432
2. Yew Tree Gardens, Clydach – Cut back tree 2015/0597

The committee would like the planning authority to be mindful of the impact on utilities and service in the village in respect of no 1 and suggest that an arborist be invited to inspect the tree affected in no 2.

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

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

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Item	Amount	VAT	Cheque Number
1. Wages	£2,024.82		BACS
2. Tax & NIC	£299.99		BACS
3. Chair's Expenses	£72.00		BACS
4. Clerk's Expenses	£5.00		BACS
5. Welsh Water	£560.57		BACS
6. BT Broadband	£70.80		BACS
7. Carol's Flowers	£105.00		BACS
8. C&CS Rates (2)	£357.00		BACS
9. SWALEC	£238.74		BACS
10. Cimla Forge	£300.00		Cheque
11. C&CS NEAT Team	£7,200.00		BACS

#### ACTIONS:

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

#### 43/2015 CORRESPONDENCE

1. The Clerk read a thank you card from Mr & Mrs JA Evans regarding their Golden Wedding Anniversary
2. The Clerk had been contacted about vacancies on the Council and the individual was invited to attend a meeting at the offices to discuss the matter further.

**44/2015 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.

**45/2015 NEXT MEETING** The next meeting of the full Council will be held at 7.00 pm. on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2015. The Planning Committee will meet as usual at 6.30 pm.

The meeting closed at 8-45 pm.

*The above minutes are approved as a true record*

*Signed Chair Community Council: .....*

*Date: .....*