#### CLYDACH COMMUNITY COUNCIL FULL COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Community Council Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2016.

#### The meeting convened at the Community Hall at 6-45 p.m. present:

Cllrs. J Davies (Chair), L Jenkins, P Dalling, G Richards, M Bowmer, M Bailey, I Jones, B Gardiner, N Honeyman, T Holloway, R Jenkins, I Whitehurst, B Humphreys and G Walker

1/2016: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Apologies were received on behalf of Cllr P Morgan.

**2/2016: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** Cllr. Davies declared an interest in respect of any discussions relating to Graigfelen Community Hall. Cllr Walker declared an interest in respect of all planning matters and the work on the ground at Forge Fach. Cllr Bailey declared an interest with regard to the discussions about the play park and parking at Forge Fach.

**3/2016: POLICE REPORT:** There was no report from the Police. The meeting with the police has been arranged for Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May at 2-00pm in the Community Hall. The Council is particularly concerned about the continuing parking problems in the village and in particular in Bryn Road, Heol Graigfelen and the Wesleyan Chapel and would like with the support of the police to arrange a site meeting with the local authority to see if there is some way of dealing with the issue. The Council would also like to see the disabled parking bays enforced as at the moment they are being abused.

#### 4/2016: TEN MINUTE PERIOD FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS COUNCIL:

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

### 5/2016: GRAIGFELEN COMMUNITY HALL

There are no current problems to report. The boiler has been repaired at a cost of £90 which seemed very reasonable. We do need to arrange holiday cover for Bev for the last 2 weeks of June. Our caretaker cannot cover both halls.

#### 6/2016: PARKING IN THE VILLAGE

The problems with regard to parking in the village were discussed further. Dynamic Rock had been advised that the proposal before the April meeting had been rejected. It has emerged that the situation has materially changed and they have asked for a meeting which the Clerk was instructed to arrange so that the dialogue can continue and any new proposals can be discussed. On the subject of the village as a whole we are aware of the tight budget facing the City and County of Swansea and wonder whether there may be some way we could combine all of the problem areas in one notice to minimize costs.

#### 7/2016: PLAY PARK AT FORGE FACH

The park is now open. The decision taken last month with regard to the name has been amended and it was decided that the name should be Parc Forge Fach. Dorian Heel Bar will be approached to make a suitable sign.

# 8/2016: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING 10<sup>th</sup> May 2016

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2016 had been circulated prior to the meeting and were unanimously approved.

### 9/2016 ROOF REPAIR

The Clerk reported on the quotes which were considered and apologised that a third quote had inadvertently been omitted from the meeting. All three quotes were considered and it was agreed that Owen Griffiths be approached as the preferred option subject to clarification on certain issues - what guarantees are included, what materials will he be using (brand names) and does his quote include the clearance of all debris. The Clerk will contact the contractor.

#### 10/2016: COMMITTEE REPORTS

## a. Hall and Events Committee

The Council has received a quote of £892 for security at Clydach Rocks and Cllr Jones has an upcoming meeting on the same subject. The cost of tickets was discussed and deferred to evaluate the expense of putting on the event when arriving at a figure.

Cllr Honeywell has a contact for a band for events.

The Clerk will email the Schools inviting them to join the Community Council initiative to 'Clean for the Queen' and will ask if we might borrow some litter pickers and bags.

The support for Clydach in Bloom has been falling steadily and it was agreed to rest the competition for a year and review things again next year.

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#### b. Planning Committee

- 17 Waverley Street, Clydach 2 storey side extension with integral garage
  21 Bethania Road, Clydach proposed conservatory extension
  15 Brunner Drive, Clydach single storey extension
  Land adjacent to Llanberis, Heol Dywyll, Clydach New house and garage
  2016/0781
  2016/0759
  - The Planning Committee had no adverse comments on any of these applications.

<u>c.</u> <u>Audit Committee</u> - (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

Item		Amount	VAT	Cheque Number
1.	Wages	£2,145.32		BACS
2.	Tax & NIC	£325.96		BACS
3.	Dorian Heel Bar	£175.00		BACS
4.	Chair's Expenses Hall Sundries	£55.82		BACS
5.	Ken Griffiths	£90.00		BACS
6.	H R Jones	£352.10		Cheque
7.	BT Business	£29.22		BACS
8.	Graigfelen Rates	£226.00		Cheque
9.	Clydach Rates	£360.00		Cheque
10.	Flowers	£30.00		Cash
11.	Chair's Exp	£7.98		BACS
12.	Cllr Bowmer's Exp	£32.93		BACS
13.	Clerks' Exp	£31.58		BACS
14.	PSM	£156.00		Cheque
15.	Cwmnantlleici Plant	£360.00		Cheque
16.	Vision ICT	£300.00		BACS
		£4,622.09		

#### **ACTIONS:**

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

The Chair suspended Standing Orders at 9-00 pm

## 11/2016 CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. We have received notification of a conditional award for the defibrillators scheme of £4,500
- 2. A date has been agreed with the police for a meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> May at 2-30
- 3. The clerk has circulated the latest POD schedule and a meeting will be arranged with Darren in the next couple of weeks.
- 4. The clerk has delivered the books for the second half of the year to our auditor.
- 5. The clerk has lodged a pre application form in respect of the container on Waverley Park.
- 6. Our Solicitor is proceeding with the Village Green application and is endeavouring to locate the title deeds for Cae Charles.
- 7. The Model Financial Regulations which had been circulated have been withdrawn for amendment to make them Wales specific.
- 8. Model Code of Conduct to be approved and Members Register to be completed within 28 days
- 9. We have had a message from Steve re damage to the pavement and driveway from a tree and Cllr Walker will deal with this.
- 10. The direct debit forms which were completed were for domestic rates. New forms for Business Rates need to be completed
- 11. The Clerk has spoken to British Gas following last month's monthly meeting and they have confirmed that we are not on contract at the moment.

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There are three options available to us assuming we stick with them

- 1. We can opt for a three year fixed rate. No standing charge (currently 58p per day) and pay 3.531p pkh
- 2. A 2 year deal would have no standing charge and we would pay 3.483p pkh
- 3. A 1 year deal would have no standing charge and we would pay 3.436p pkh

If we sign up they can backdate it by 120 days and if we pay by direct debit we qualify for a 6% discount which would mean paying 3.391p pkh. The meeting approved going ahead with a three year deal and the Clerk will contact them to put it in place. A direct debit will be signed once the new banking arrangements are in place

**12/2016 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.

**13/2016 NEXT MEETING** The next meeting of the full Council will be held at 7.00 pm. on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2016 preceded as usual by the Planning Committee at 6.30 pm.

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Signed Chair Community Council:	
The above minutes are approved as a true record	
The meeting closed at 9-15 pm.	