

CLYDACH COMMUNITY COUNCIL FULL COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Community Council Meeting held on 8th March 2016.

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

Cllrs. J Davies (Chair), L Jenkins, P Morgan, K Bevan, M Bowmer, M Bailey, I Jones, B Gardiner, T Holloway, R Jenkins, I Whitehurst and G Walker

141/2015: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Apologies were received on behalf of Cllrs P Dalling and N. Honeyman.

142/2015: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Cllr. Davies and P Morgan 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 and Cllr Bevan declared an interest with regard to the discussions about parking at Forge Fach.

143/2015: POLICE REPORT: There was no report from the Police. The meeting with the police will take place sometime after 19th March. The Clerk reported that he had expressed disappointment at the response relating to the car accident in November and was instructed to seek further clarification without disclosing any details which might infringe on the Data Protection legislation. Councillors were also concerned that there was a spate of burglaries in the village and it was decided to put a warning on the Council's Facebook page.

144/2015: TEN MINUTE PERIOD FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS COUNCIL:

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

145/2015: GRAIGFELEN COMMUNITY HALL

Everything is now in place and the Hall is now running smoothly. There had been a problem with the water heater in the kitchen which has been resolved. The Clerk advised that he would be having a meeting next month with Swansea Council, this is going to be a six monthly occurrence during our tenure running the Hall.

146/2015: PARKING IN THE VILLAGE

The site visit at the area near Cae Charles had identified that the area might be suitable for car parking and the Clerk had been in touch with the local authority who had indicated that planning permission would probably be required. The Dynamic Rock car park was also discussed and three quotes for resurfacing the area produced. The main fear in going down this route was to protect the Council if the owner should decide to sell. To evaluate the possibilities further the Clerk was asked to contact Dynamic Rock to ask what proportion any costs incurred in resurfacing the car park would be met by businesses who would benefit.

147/2015: PLAY PARK AT FORGE FACH

The park is close to being ready for use again and an inspection will be carried out to ensure all necessary regulations are complied with. The insurance issue remains outstanding and guidance is being sought from the City and County of Swansea who previously ran the park. It is hoped to have it reopened around Easter.

148/2015: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING 9th February 2016

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 9th February 2016 had been circulated prior to the meeting and were unanimously approved.

149/2015: COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Hall and Events Committee

The pantomime had been a great success although the distribution of tickets would be improved for the next event with tickets being professionally printed to include numbers. The Council would like Geraint to write another pantomime for next year and the Clerk will express the Council's appreciation and invite him to repeat the commission for 2017.

More nominations have been received for the Awards which will take place at the end of April.

Plans are moving ahead for the summer events including the Fete, Clydach Rocks and the Celebration of the Queen's 90th Birthday which is scheduled for 11th June. Union Jacks have been ordered by the Clerk. A proposal for a campaign 'Clean for the Queen' was discussed.

b. Planning Committee

1. 4 Sybil Street, Clydach – Single storey rear and first floor extension (previously approved in 2008 but unable to proceed due to personal circumstances 2016/0130)
2. Clydach Bypass Roundabout A4067/B4291 nr Glais – Advertising Panels 2016/0329
3. Public footpath no 42 - extinguishment and creation orders.

c. 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

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invoices

Item	Amount	VAT	Cheque Number
1. Wages	£2,138.72		BACS
2. Tax & NIC	£332.56		BACS
3. NEAT Team	£7,200.00		BACS
4. Chair's Expenses Hall Sundries	£37.96		BACS
5. Cllr Walker Expenses	£50.00		BACS
6. Cllr Bowmer Expenses	£49.83		BACS
7. Cwmnantlleici Plant	£2,340.00		Cheque
8. Graigfelen Rates	£280.65		Cheque
9. Flowers	£30.00		Cash
	£12,459.72		

ACTIONS:

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

150/2015 CORRESPONDENCE

- 1 Flowers are ordered and Alan Hughes has asked for a note of the lamppost numbers where the hanging baskets are to go. He can supply replacement brackets free of charge.
2. The Clerk has chased up 1st Containers to contact Cllr Walker to arrange for delivery of the storage unit for Waverley Park.
3. The Facebook page has been updated for the Awards and the Clerk has circulated the schools and other Organisations for nominations.
4. City and County of Swansea have been notified of the site issues opposite Cllr Bowmer and have been given her contact details for more information.
5. The Clerk has informed Morriston Choir of our requirements for hiring the Hall and awaits a response.
6. The Clerk has asked for some free wild flower seeds. No response yet.
7. The Clerk is obtaining quotes for maintenance of the boiler.
8. The pothole outside Graigfelen Hall has been reported for repair.
9. The Clerk is arranging for roofing contractors to quote for repairing the flat roof.
10. The lady who complained about the street light outside her mother's house and Cllr Walker undertook to see if there was anything he could do.
11. Preston Davies has withdrawn his interest in serving on the Council as he lives outwith the village.
12. The Clerk was instructed to contact the planning department at City and County of Swansea about the development at the War Memorial Hospital and request that ex-servicemen be included among those to be offered accommodation in view of the history of the location.

151/2015 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.

152/2015 NEXT MEETING The next meeting of the full Council will be held at 7.00 pm. on Tuesday 12th April 2016. The Planning Committee will meet as usual at 6.30 pm.

The meeting closed at 8-45 pm.

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The above minutes are approved as a true record

Signed Chair Community Council:

Date: