

## **MINUTES OF CWARTER BACH COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**HELD REMOTELY ON 3rd SEPTEMBER 2020**

**PRESENT:** \_\_\_\_\_ Cllr H.Taylor presided.

**Clerk:** \_\_\_\_\_ A. Pedrick.

Brynaman Ward: Cllrs W.Churchill, M.Morgans, S.Thomas, J.G.Davies.

Cwarter Bach Ward: \_\_\_\_\_ Cllrs L.Baker, A.Hicks.

Llynfell Ward: \_\_\_\_\_ Cllrs T.Strutt, A.Daddy, D.B.Belcher, V.Morgan.

Members of the Public 3No

### **ITEM 1:**

**APOLOGIES:** \_\_\_\_\_ Cllr M.Thomas.

### **ITEM 2: \_\_\_\_\_ DECLARATION OF INTEREST:**

Declarations by members of personal interest to be verbally.

### **ITEM 3: \_\_\_\_\_ MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:**

The minutes of the last meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2020 were debated following a corrected amendment to item 7 of the 8<sup>th</sup> July meeting when Cllr T.Strutt voted against the motion to accept the financial statement as items 1 -5 on page 3 had not been adhered to, and Cllr L.Baker wished to include on item 7 of the 5<sup>th</sup> August meeting that her proposal for additional money to Ystradowen Centre was based on a 2017/18 conclusion that grant money had been refused. Cllr J.G.Davies also expressed concerns that Ystradowen Community Centre being a private limited company that members had personal and prejudicial interest on this matter and this is a clear breach of standing orders. Following a lengthy heated debate on the latter all members, apart from Cllr T.Strutt accepted the minutes.

4 The Chairperson then welcomed PCSO Dayton Hughes to talk about PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING EVENT a project that Dyfed Powys Police are rolling out across the force area. Unfortunately, there were technical problems and his talk on the subject failed, however, in 2020 /21 the Police Authority will host a PB event with a view to engage with and empower our communities. As it stands they have £10,000 for the event provided by the Police and Crime Commissioner but need more. Consideration be given to allocate a sum of money for the event. Members were requested to give the matter some thought by 14/9/2020. Should there be a Public Meeting to form a steering group volunteers were requested and Cllrs L.Baker, A.Hicks and T.Strutt put their names forward.

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## **ITEM 5 ASSET SUB COMMITTEE REPORT**

Maes Elwyn Project Update.

The Chair confirmed that the original idea for the project had developed since 2018 and now that the County Council had shown interest it was worthwhile to pursue in order to get the £70K grant. Mr Jon Morgan had then mentioned the Cryuff Foundation scheme and in order to get a stronger application the School was drawn into the project. Since then matters have moved on and £50K / £55K from this Fund has been made available and is ring fenced for this project. Therefore, we have financially a basis for moving forward with this artificial pitch provided the Community Council seek fit to endorse the scheme and make a financial contribution.

Bryn Rovers 10yr Plan:

The document had been circulated to all members and the conclusion from the majority was that we could only support for the first few years and that in reality this was not a viable proposition i.e. unsuitable location, poor site access, limited parking and not a site to develop with Floodlights and Grandstand. Recommendation, therefore, to support to year 3 and advise Club to approach the Brynaman R.F.C. and share the rugby playing field and facilities.

Following the reopening of children's playgrounds we have a duty under Regulation 12 of the Health Protection to take reasonable measures for the purposes of minimising the risk of exposure to coronavirus i.e. Signage – 2m Distancing, No Food or Drink, Take home any Waste and Limit number of Users. Cleaning Protocol/Frequency – we must decide on frequency – weekly, fortnightly etc. In the first instance it was decided to purchase the signage for all Parks.

## **ITEM 6 APPOINTMENTS SUB COMMITTEE REPORT**

The above committee had met and discussed the following:-

Remit of Committee - Job Description, Hours to be Worked, Selection Process, Contract of Employment. All to be completed by November.

Six members, one from each ward for a Quorum of 3 if needed.

## **ITEM 7 COMMUNITY COUNCIL HEALTH CHECK**

**This item was deferred until the next meeting as some members had not received / read the circulated documents.**

## **ITEM 8 CO-OPTION OF TWO COUNCILLORS CWARTER BACH WARD**

Three applications had been received namely

1. Mr J. Cavendish 3,Chapel St, Brynaman.
2. Mrs H. Powell 66,Mountain Rd, Brynaman,
3. Mr A. Roberts 4,Rhosfa Rd, Brynaman.

However, candidate No1 had subsequently withdrawn leaving two applicants for the two office of Councillor, both from within the Ward.

Resolved to circulate members with their CV's and then decide.

**ITEM 9 VERBAL REPORT ON ZOOM SURGERY C BRYN BRAIN/RHOSAMAN**  
Unfortunately no member of the public joined the meeting.

**ITEM 10 PLANNING**

The following applications were for our observations :-

- 1, Proposed New Dwelling on land rear of 13,Mountain Rd, Brynaman.
2. Publicity & Consultation before applying for Planning Permission Residential Development comprising up to 60 Dwellings on Land South of Cwmgarw Road, Brynaman.

Members expressed concerns with the impact of such development on the village, the capacity of the only school, the vehicle access and egress, volume of traffic and again could the Amman Valley Trunk Sewer take such development. Notices had been placed by the Planning Consultants at various location and it was hoped that the local inhabitants would share their views on the proposal,

**ITEM 11 CLERKS PAY AWARD AND RESIGNATION.**

The National Joint Council for Local Government Service has agreed the new pay scales for 2019 /2020 and 2020 /2021 and this meant a back dated award of 18months amounting to £576 and the hourly rate from the 1<sup>st</sup> October 20 will be £12.24 . The Chair then read the Clerks resignation letter after 37yrs service.

The meeting ended at 8.45pm.

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