



## **Cyngor Cymuned CWARTER BACH Community Council**

### **Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held virtually via Zoom on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022**

**Attendees:** Councillor Glynog Davies (GD), Councillor Susan Thomas (ST), Councillor Vera Morgan (VM), Councillor Tom Addey (TA), Councillor Scott Davies (SD), Councillor Sarah Hopkin (SH), Ruth Heyes (RH), Councillor Rhian Moses (RM), Councillor Tony Strutt (TS), Councillor Bethan Griffiths (BG), Councillor Jordan Griffiths (JG), Councillor. Andrew Dady (AD), Councillor Mair Thomas (MT)

**Presiding:** The Chair, Councillor Glynog Davies (GD)

**Minutes taken by the clerk:** Julia Bell (JMB)

#### **1. Chair's Welcome.**

The Chair welcomed all to the last meeting of the current council and reminded councillors that 'we are in the pre-election period.'

#### **2. Declarations of Interest**

Noted as they arose.

#### **3. Apologies for absence**

Cllr. Lisa Thomas

#### **4. To approve Minutes of previous meeting.**

JMB advised that T.S.'s amendments to the Declarations of Interest section would be amended to reflect the declarations as they arose.

**Proposed to approve minutes: V.M.**

**Seconded: S.T.**

**Abstained: T.S.**

#### **5. Matters Arising**

S.T. asked if a previous decision to get a sim card for the clerk can be changed to giving the clerk a £10 monthly phone allowance.

**Proposed: S.T.**

**Seconded: S.H.**

**All agreed.**

## 6. Unpaid Carers (R.H)

R.H. – Coffee morning on Tuesday was a huge success and Carmarthenshire Carers would like to do it again.

## 7. Park Inspections

As the reports were 6 months old JMB advised the need for an up-to-date Park Inspection before moving forward.

**Proposed CCC do an updated inspection: T.S.**

**Seconded: S.H.**

JMB to chase up Crwbin Quarries & Jet Sweep.

**Proposed: S.H.**

**Seconded: S.T.**

R.M. declared an interest (Partner to the owner of the company Jet Sweep)

A discussion was had on tree inspections and what was required by law?

G.D. asked that everything be passed to the clerk to deal with going forward.

## 8. Footpaths

Clerk is awaiting clarification on the correspondence received from C.C.C. regarding footpaths.

A complete list of works that has been done and that being proposed is needed.

Councillors to notify the clerk of any works they have noted that have been done and those that need doing.

## 9. Fences (T.S)

T.S. – the nets at Maes Elwyn have blown down and the ones at Bryn Avenue have been vandalised.

The chair asked whether the clerk should go ahead with the costings of appropriate netting and to find out if Bryn Rovers are planning on moving to Maes Elwyn

**Proposed: T.S.**

**Seconded: B.G.**

**All agreed**

## 10. Trees

A discussion was had as to where to plant trees in the community.

T.S. – Could put some in Ystradowen when the wall is done?

## 11. Planning

**Application PL/03799** – Plas Y Coed, Felin Fach, Ystradowen – change of use granny annex to bedroom holiday lets.

**Noted, no issues.**

## 12. Finance Report

- a.) **Match Funding** – T.A Declared an Interest - JMB obtained confirmation from Ystradowen Community Centre that the bank balance consisted of 65% salaries and 30% overheads, with the remainder being for emergencies and maintenance.

Proposed £1000: S.T.

Seconded: S.D.

Amendment Proposal £1672: V.M.

Seconded: T.S.

B.G – we need the full cost of project before deciding and are they VAT registered.

The full cost was established as £3600

Proposal: if they are VAT registered, we pay £1060 and if they aren't we pay £1672

Once all the information had been obtained T.S.

It was established that they aren't VAT Registered.

**Amended Proposal to pay the full £1672: T.S.**

**Seconded V.M.**

**All Agreed**

**b.) Bills and Quotes**

All had been sent out to councillors (See point 14)

**Proposed all be paid: S.D.**

**Seconded: S.T.**

**13. Matters from Wards**

**a.) Llynfell**

T.S commented that the plaque was on the bench and thanked V.M.

T.S. – can we authorise tree work at Ystradowen?

G.D. Proposed the work is started

All agreed

**Proposed that all dangerous trees in the Llynfell ward are dealt with immediately. A.D**

**Seconded T.S.**

**b.) Cwarter Bach**

S.T. Can we start flower planting in all wards before the next meeting?

S.H. Proposed that the 4 planters outside the Mountain Centre be removed due to being an obstruction.

S.D. Agreed.

G.D. asked that V.M. liaise with JMB for work to progress provided the prices are similar to last year.

T.S. asked that the lease for Maes Elwyn be sent to all councillors

**Proposed that JMB Take over all tree work going forward: S.H.**

**All Agreed**

**c.) Brynaman**

Already covered

**14. Accounts for payment.**

OVW renewal - £497

Zurich renewal - £1906.94

SSE, Christmas Lighting- £114.92

CCC Footway Lighting - £5646.98

Huw Lewis - £327.60 & £18

Online Playgrounds - £219.00

Vera Morgan, Plaque for seat - £30

Chris Morgan, Structural wall survey - £395

One Voice Wales Training - £30

## All Payments Agreed Above

### 15. Correspondance

- i.) Match Funding Brynaman Lido – Requesting £1500 towards a grant. JMB to find out the total of the grant obtained
- ii.) Bryn Rovers – Additional work to the changing rooms  
T.S. – will the structural integrity be affected?  
G.D. – A meeting needs to be set up after the election. JMB to start the ball rolling

A discussion was had regarding defibrillators and it was agreed to add to the Agenda for the next meeting.

- iii.) Trees – Members to look at the correspondence and let JMB know if they know of any locations suitable for tree planting.
- iv.) Place names – Cylch Yr Iaith letter regarding the need to preserve community names.  
S.H. Proposed - we as a community council need to support this letter  
T.A. Seconded  
All Agreed
- v.) Black Mountain Centre – want to reduce the cost of meals for children at the centre from £4 to £2 and asked the council to support the subsidies.  
M.T., B.G., R.M., S.D. Declared an Interest.  
A.D – Ask for bank statements  
T.S – Agree in principle but need the finances to propose a specific sum.

Pensions

Proposed that the council join the Local Government Pension Scheme: S.T. (£1000 Admin Fee)

Seconded: T.S.

All Agreed

Grievance Policy – sent out too late, to be added to the Agenda for the next meeting.

### 16. A.O.B.

Police – R.H. No concerns from the police

Restarting PACT meetings/ Coffee Mornings to be put on the agenda for the next meeting

### 17. Date of Next Meeting

To be confirmed once the clerk seeks advice

**Signed:** ..... (Chair)

**Print Name:** .....

**Date:** .....