Minutes of Llansantffraid Glyn Ceiriog Community Council held at Memorial Institute, Glyn Ceiriog on Thursday 26th March 2020

PRESENT: Sarah Davies; Phillip Lloyd (Chair) ; Anina Price; Trevor Bates; Tegid Davies; Einion Davies; Jean Davies (Clerk):

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| Agenda  No | Details | Minutes | Action |
| 1 | Welcome and apologies | Due to Covid 19 Pandemic this meeting was undertaken virtually. Cllr Price was thanked for arranging the meeting  Cllr. Lloyd welcomed those present to the Council.  Apologies; Cllrs Eric Jones; Rhys Hughes; Mair Evans; Barbara Roberts |  |
| 2 | Discussion with NW (if present) | Clerk had not been able to find out the figures – hopefully they will be available for the next meeting. |  |
| 3 | Discussion with CA | Clerk advised the Council that Mrs Bates had been kept very busy co-ordinating the volunteer project that will be in place whilst the lock down continues. Clearly she is not undertaking any visits but is phoning residents she knows is even more so isolated during this period.  Clerk informed Council that her salary should be reviewed at this time of year as we will receive the grant from WCBC. Current rate is £9,25 it was proposed by Councillor Tegid Davies that the rate should be increased to £10 p.h. and seconded by Cllr Einion Davies. This was agreed. | Clerk |
| 4 | Expressions of Interest | Councillor Bates regarding item 3 and Cllr .Bates, Price and Lloyd regarding donation to Institute |  |
| 5 | Confirmation or otherwise of previous meeting | Accepted as correct and signed accordingly –  (February) |  |
| 6. | Matters arising | Playing field Development – Although NRW had originally objected to the planning application – however they had stated they would reconsider this if a report supported by drawings was presented giving information about the ground level of the building. Councillor Tegid Davies to speak to the architect and also Clerk to speak to Geraint Edwards via rainfall etc in the village over the last several years. However due to the current pandemic no decision will be made for some time.  Response from National Resources Wales –Clerk had contacted NRW who had been told that due to Covid 19 everything had been put on the backburner and only dealing with emergencies. .  VE Day Celebrations: Due to Covid 19 – this event has been cancelled  Over 16 Transport to Ysgol Morgan Llwyd – again due to Covid 19 no further action  Cemetery Paths – moss clearance – currently pending Councillors Bates; Lloyd and Tegid Davies to clear path asap  Quote for bin for Pandy. – still awaiting confirmation from WCBC but due to current pandemic no further action will be undertaken until such time as this is over  Toilets - electricity – Clerk had contacted EDF who had agreed that the building was on the incorrect tariff f- they were going to send an email with the tariff they thought was appropriate but as yet this had not been received  Any other matter not listed: -  Skip in Broad Oak – photos had been sent to WCBC by Councillor Bates outlining concerns  Donation to moth survey - this was considered but given current situation this was unlikely to take place and Clerk to advise accordingly that should this go ahead at a later date that a further application should be made by Ceiriog Valley Wildlife | Councillor Tegid Davies/Clerk  Clerk  Clerk |
| 8 | Reports | Covid 19 response to need of Community by CC – This was being co-ordinated by the CA, Councillor Bates and Clerk there had been a good response from residents to volunteer to pick up groceries and prescriptions locally. A debate followed whether or not volunteers should be provided with gloves. However there was concerns that volunteers may be lulled into a ‘false sense of security’ and may not then follow good hand hygiene by regularly washing their hands It was decided therefore to draw up Code of Conduct for volunteers which would outline including other issues such as car insurance, that they should follow expected precautions such as regular hand washing. Clerk to draft a document and email it to Councillors.  Quote for caretaking duties and bins emptying at the toilets and playing field: Only one quote had been received from John Keene – same price as this year. It was agreed to continue with Mr Keene. However new contract commencing 1st April – Councillors decided that for the time being Mr Keene will receive payment for the toilets provided he agrees to decorate the toilets. No payment to be made for emptying the bins in the playing field as the field is closed. This to be reviewed on a monthly basis.  Quote for grass cutting playing field and cemetery - decision made to defer decision to next month. | Clerk  Clerk  Clerk |
| 9. | Letters of Thanks | From Canolfan Christnogol for the recent donation |  |
| 10. | Correspondence | Bank Statement –   1. Bank Statement   Bank Reconciliation as follows:-  Balance 22.2.2020 £22681.98  TOTAL PAID = £12996.49  Balance AS at 23.3.2020 £22681.98 - £12996.49 = £9685.49  Plus £9170.14 in deposit account  WCBC – no correspondence  Welsh Government – no correspondence  Any other matter not listed – end of year return from Grant Thornton |  |
| 11 | Planning applications/approvals | No applications |  |
| 12 | Payments | Outstanding accounts - (section 136 Legislative Powers): -  John Keene (toiledau)  John Keene (Bins)  National Trust  Theo Davies and Sons (Bench)  BHIP (insurance)  Joanthan Phillips  Rhys Hughes  Jean Davies (quarterly pmt)  Request for Donations - (section 137 Legislative Powers):  Insitute and Canolfan Ceiriog £400 each ED/SD |  |
|  | Any other matters not listed | Public Liability Insurance – Clerk had phoned BHIP the insurance company providing public liability etc for the CC regarding the pavilion and contents insurance – they can only give an indication of the cost once we full cost is known.  Clerk also asked about insurance cover the CCTV and was told that this was now included with no extra charge.  She also asked for confirmation regarding the toilets and buildings insurance – this has now been included te extra charge being £120 pa from the 1st June renewal date CC to pay £28.52 to cover cost from now until then  Green bins – Councillor Bates informed the Council that WCBC will continue to empty the green bins bi-weekly until the Covid 19 lock down is eased. |  |