Minutes of Llansantffraid Glyn Ceiriog Community Council held on Thursday 25th March

2021

PRESENT: Sarah Davies (Chair); Einion Davies; Trevor Bates; Tegid Davies; Barbara Roberts; Dilys Bates; Jean Davies (Clerk):

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| Agenda  No | Details | Minutes | Action |
| 1 | Welcome and apologies | Cllr. Sarah Davies welcomed those present to the Council.  Due to current Covid restrictions meeting held virtually  Apologies; Cllrs. Eric Jones; Rhys Hughes; Mair Evans; Phillip Lloyd; Anina Price |  |
| 2 | Discussion with NW (if present) | 1 x Burglary |  |
| 3. | Discussion with CA | Mrs Bates is able to spend more time in the community now due to the better weather and is able to meet residents’ face-to-face outside. She continues to help with preparing the lockdown lunches and with the Ceiriog Food Cupboard.  She has received referrals from the social prescriber at the Medical Centre. She also continues to meet regularly with other CA’s in the valley.  Delyth Pridding (WCBC) has been successful in a grant application to the WG to purchase tablets to improve the digital skills of residents. The tablets, once delivered will be the property of the CC and more than likely stored at the Community Centre for ease of access for residents. There are therefore insurance cover implications for both the CC and Centre – Clerk to liaise with the insurance provider and Centre Manager. Tablets to be lent out on a library system. | Clerk |
| 5. | Expressions of Interest | Councillors Bates; Pryce – Agenda item 3 and 10 - CA and planning applications |  |
| 6. | Confirmation or otherwise of previous meeting | Accepted as correct and signed accordingly –  February |  |
| 7. | Matters arising | Pavilion planning application – Flood risk assessment has been submitted which will hopefully satisfy both Planning Department and NRW  Payment for damage to toilets – not received Councillor Tegid Davies to contact NWP  Any other matter not listed  Funding/Grants available as asked Clerk had made enquiries with Welsh Churches but maximum grant available is £500 currently. She had also contacted the Grants Officer at AVOW – Nigel Davies- who had sent her the link for various grants available but as the CC is a public body it does not meet the criteria. Clerk to speak to Mr Davies again.  Councillor Einion Davies stated that the WRU could assist with financing the Pavillion but due to the pandemic it is not dealing with any applications currently | Clerk |
| 8 | Reports | Community Cupboard – going well with support from supermarkets. No spending from the contingency fund as yet  Policies for approval: -  Risk assessment - Council agreed with the suggestions the Clerk had made and the risk assessment policy was approved  It was agreed to approve the Financial Regulation National Standards in the April meeting  Quote for caretaking toilet duties 2021/2 ­ - one received from John Keen which was accepted. Opening times agreed: -  7.30 a.m. to 9 p.n. 1st April to 31st October  7.30 a.m. t 6 p.m. 1st November t 31st March  Cemetary – due to one undertakers recent practice to raise the level of the grave with stones – it was agreed that a large sign be situation on the gate alerting undertakers/contractors of the council regulation in terms of height etc and also to remind families that ornaments/toys and plants should not be placed on graves  Partnership Council for Wales document – Clerk had distributed this to councillors. From May 2022 Councils are expected to enable Clerks to gain a relevant professional qualification. The WG is offering a bursary to cover the cost of the SLCC Clerks course – Clerk to apply asap  Also from April 2022 CC’s will be required to prepare and publish a report about the Council’s priorities, activities and achievements.  Review of CA hourly rate – Clerk asked to check what the percentage increase in the living wage is and report back to council. | Clerk  Clerk  Clerk  Full council  Clerk |
| 9. | Letters of Thanks |  |  |
| 10. | Correspondence | Bank Statement - a detailed report had been circulated to Councillors separately which was accepted as a true reflection of Council finances.  WCBC – SLA received from WCBC for Youth Provision. This is a 3-year SLA. Clerk to check with WCBC that there is provision to review the attendance every twelve months and to withdraw if numbers do not justify the cost.  Welsh Government – circulated as and when received  Any other matter not listed - |  |
| 11 | Planning applications/approvals | Convert Tyn y Berllan, Pandy into 2 holiday dwellings – no objections in principle other than concerns regarding visibility when driving out into the main road; concerns regarding sewerage system ability to cope with increase in general population (albeit temporarily) |  |
| 12 | Payments | Outstanding accounts - (section 136 Legislative Powers):  Dilys Bates  John Keene (toilets)  John Keene (Bins)  Jean Davies  EDF (toilets electricity)  National Trust  Einion Davies  EE (Mobile phone)  Request for Donations - (section 137 Legislative Powers): |  |
|  | Any other matters not listed | It was noted that a ‘beer garden’ is being built at the back of the Glyn Valley Hotel. This could impact on the stream and could result in flooding. Cllr Tegid Davies to let Clerk know what the concerns are so she can contact NRW – also similar concerns around Dol Hiryd. | Cllr Tegid Davies/Clerk |