Minutes of Llansantffraid Glyn Ceiriog Community Council held on Thursday 28th October 2021 at the Institute and via Zoom

PRESENT: Phillip Lloyd.(Chair) Philip Lloyd’; Trevor Bates; Sarah Davies; Tegid Davies; Mair Evans; Barbara Roberts; Rhus Hughes; Einion Davies Anina Price and Barbara Roberts (both via Zoom) Jean Davies (Clerk) ;

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| Agenda  No | Details | Minutes | Action |
| 1 | Welcome and apologies | Councillor Lloyd welcomed all present;  Apologies: Eric Jones;  Mrs Bates – CA – annual leave |  |
| 2 | Discussion with NW (if present) | Crime figures for July as follows:-  7 in total  5 x assaults: 1 x crim. Damage; 1 x drug related |  |
| 3. | Discussion with CA | Mrs Bates had sent the Clerk an email stating that the work is continuing with her making contact with her clients in a variety of ways. The Digital Awareness sessions are well attended. Mrs Bates also mentioned the Christmas Lunch which will be dealt with under agenda item 8.  Clerk stated that she had had a meeting with the new WCBC CA co-ordinators. He informed her that a decision will be made in the next few weeks regarding overall management of the project (whether to stay the same/have clusters etc). In terms of funding WCBC confident that the WG will continue to fund the scheme although it is unclear whether anu changes will be made in terms of aims and objectives of the project. However, funding confirmation and any changes will most probably not be made public until last minute i.e. March 2022. |  |
| 4. | Expressions of Interest | Councillor Bates – CA (3) and (11) Planning applications  Councillor Rhys Hughes – CA (3) |  |
| 5. | Confirmation or otherwise of previous meeting | Accepted as correct and signed accordingly |  |
| 6. | Matters arising | Pandy Rock – no further information – no longer appears to be an issue  Refurbishment of toilets – Meeting with Cllr Tegid Davies and Medwyn Davies not taken place – hopefully this will be before not too long  CCTV (extra around toilet block) -Clerk had emailed MSF twice who had promised to give a definitive date by the 27th October of when the work will be completed. This had not been received Clerk to pursue  Application in retrospect for planning permission -CCTV on Glyn Valley wall – Clerk had sent an email with a photograph of the camera to Planning asking if there was any way to avoid having to provide information that had been requested which Council felt was extreme. No response as yet.  Bike tamp/track –Due to holiday/covid isolation the surveyor had not been able to visit until the 27th October had promised a report by the 10th November at the latest. Cllr Bates had also had a conversation with Juliet McKenzie from the youth Service who was positive that a grant may be possible towards the cost of the ramp  Consecrating of ground at the cemetary /100 years – cenotaph - this to take place on the 28th November at 2 p.m. With Reverend Phillip Carey officiating  Pavilion Application – Clerk had been in contact with WCBC and received the form for a non-material application to be made. Cllr Tegid Davies to let her have a copy of the original application. Also, NT requested that they have sight of the amended plans before they are submitted to WCBC. Cllr Davies to let the Clerk had contact details for the architect who designed and complete the plans.  Remembrance Sunday – 14th November – Cass Meurig Thomas from Bala officiating. Has requested a meeting with Cllr Bates, Clerk and whoever from Seion Chapel is going to take part in the service.  Feedback from Welcome day 23rd October – was a success. Cllr Bates had applied for and received 2 x grants of £1000 and £500 from WCBC -together with the £250 not spent from NWP – donation 2019. The CC to make up any shortfall from this. Cllrs agreed to cover the cost of supplying the marquee (Insitute) and use of the Canolfan Centre and for a payment of £300 to be made to the Institute and Canolfan.  Purchase of Benches - had received an email from WCBC with one quote – Clerk to ask for a further two quotes given the price of the first quote  Sewerage in Pandy - clerk had been in contact with Dwr Cymru who had investigated and emptied the tank. If the problem returns then Dwr Cymru will make further investigations.  Any other matter not listed – HSBC monthly charge £5. Clerk had been in contact with HSBC pointing out that a CC was a tier of local government and was funded via Council tax. This was to no avail as HSBC pointed out that the other option was to have a business account which also had a monthly charge | Cllr Tegid Davies  Clerk  Cllr Tegid Davies  Clerk |
| 7. | Reports |  |  |
| 8. | For discussion | Biodiversity Plan – Clerk had emailed OVW to ask if this is a mandatory requirement or a recommendation  Emergency Planning – Clerk to make tentative enquiries with Glyn Trian and Ceiriog Uchaf CC  Vandalised football post – sadly one of the posts had been vandalised! However, Ralph Bennet of the opinion that using poles from another post it was possible to repair it. Also, NWP had stated it could be able to help if a new one was needed.  Santa run/Community Christmas lunch – Cllr Bates hoping to repeat last year’s Santa run starting in Pandy. Cllrs agreed to making a £100 towards purchase of the selection boxes.  With regards to Christmas lunches – this would be on a very small scale due to Covid concerns – if it does go ahead Cllr Bates asked that the Council contributes £100 towards the cost- this as agreed.  Remote Training – Clerk reminded councillors that there is still some money left in the Bursary for training should Councillors want to enrol on to training.  Garden of Remembrance – Clerk had received an email and pictures from a relative of a family whose ashes had been buried in Garth cemetary some years ago. They claim that the ashes and commemorative tablet had been moved. Also, that the trees overhanging the tablet was marking it. Cllr Hughes agreed to cut the hedge which should resolve the latter issue and Clerk to visit the cemetary to investigate the former issue |  |
| 9. | Letters of Thanks |  |  |
| 10. | Correspondence | Bank Statement – Clerk provided a six monthly budget expenditure to the 30th September and bank reconciliation to the 26th October which was accepted as an accurate reflection of the CC’s finances  WCBC –  Welsh Government – circulated as and when received  Any other matter not listed -  Clerk stated that OVW had asked for CC’s to take part in a pilot of CC and Town Council Self -evaluation Toolkit – she stated it would be a barometer of how the CC is up to date with requirements – this was agreed.  Clerk had previously circulated an email received from AVOW regarding funding available for Third Sector help with Winter Pressures. Cllr Bates had previously suggested that what was needed was a hospital car scheme as resident were currently transporting others to Wrexham for their booster vaccine and to Llangollen Health Centre. Clerk to make enquiries with the South Denbighshire Care Scheme to see if the Valley could join this scheme | Clerk  Clerk |
| 11 | Planning applications/approvals | Erection of agriculture building – Gelli – Approved  Planning applications to convert two farm buildings at Oddi ar y Twmpath to a 2- and 4-bedroom holiday dwellings – no objections |  |
| 12 | Payments | Outstanding accounts - (section 136 Legislative Powers):  Dilys Bates  John Keene (toilets)  John Keene (Bins)  John Keene (toilet cleaning equipment  Jean Davies  EDF (toilets electricity)  HMRC  EE (Mobile phone)  Hafren Dyfrdwy  Jean Davies (gift vouchers)  Engraving +  Request for Donations - (section 137 Legislative Powers):  Request frm Lorna Mills -St. Ffraid’s cemetary- Following Ms Mills’ presentation and request for donation towards the cost at the cemetary – the matter was discussed. Councillors of the opinion that given there is another cemetary run by Seion Chapel and that the Council has not made a donation towards its upkeep and capital expenditure – donating to St Ffraid’s would be setting a precedent. Therefore, Councillors decided against making a donation. |  |
| 13. | Any other matters not listed | Water pipe in Pandy leaking by the old Post Office - Clerk to inform Street Scene  Bin for Pandy – Clerk had again emailed the officer responsible – who had emailed the supervisor asking for this to be expedited urgently.  Light in Pandy - Clerk had frequently emailed the officer in WCBC regarding returning the street light. It appears that this won’t happen until such time as the Council is able to purchase LED bulbs that fit this particular lamp. Clerk to keep pursuing the matter. | Clerk  Clerk  Clerk |