Minutes of Llansaffraid Glyn Ceiriog Community Council held at Memorial Institute, Glyn Ceiriog on Thursday, 15th December 2016

1. PRESENT: Cllrs. Dafydd Morris (Chair); Julie Jeffreys; Eric Evans; Mair Evans; Eric Jones; Barbara Roberts

2. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES: Cllrs. Linda Hughes; Ann Morris; Sara Davies; Jeff Davies

4. DISCUSSIN WITH MARTYN LYONS – HSBC RE ATM; Mr Lyons explained the position with regard to the ATM. Cash Zone was reluctant to replace the ATM on the current site due to repeated vandalism. Although HSBC had originally commission Cash Zone to install the ATM as three years had now expired HSBC did not now have any responsibility in this regard and that the decision really was Cash Zones. However he explained that in other village e.g. Betws y Coed; Cerrigydrudion Cash Zone had been able to install ATM at business premises (as opposed to a standalone one which ours was). Apparently those businesses who had agreed to the cash machines had seen an increase in business – the machine would be managed by Cash Zone and independent of the business. He agreed that HSBC would write to the owners of the Cross Stores and the Post Office to ask if they would consider having a machine installed at their premises – HSBC would also put them in touch with the businesses in other villages who had an ATM installed to discuss the benefits and pitfalls of agreeing to having an ATM installed (one being the increase in insurance premiums). If this was not forthcoming then Cash Zone had stated that they would not consider any other option.

4. CONFIRMATION OR OTHERWISE OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – other than change to Cllr Julie Jeffreys not Davies otherwise minutes were found to be correct and signed accordingly

5. MATTERS ARISING:-

Defibrillator: Clerk had been in touch with secretary of Wrexham Marathon Club – she was looking into what type of machine would be installed. Clerk was planning to advise the proprietor of the Glyn Valley of the type of machine that would be installed so he was made fully aware of this.

Toilets – Survey of building) – Still waiting for WCBC to undertake the survey

Feedback re BT internet and landline – the process in making a complaint to Off Com is quite complicated and a certain amount of time needs to have elapsed between the complaint being made to BT/Open Reach and the complaint not being settled. Clerk was attempting to follow this process.

Broad walk – Fisheries – Ground works not responded too many emails sent – Clerk had therefore sent a letter asking for their comments as yet no response received,

Notice in Bus Stop – Clerk had contacted Einion Davies who had given a price of £120 for making and installing the notice board. This was agreed – Clerk to ask Mr Davies to undertake the work.

Glyn Valley Tramway Sign – Clerk had been assured that a Welsh language sign would be erected in due course

Speed Limit to Village – Clerk had under the Freedom of Information Act received information from NWP of the number of accidents recorded on the B4500 specifically from New Mills to the village – none were recorded. Clerk asked to speak to highways re implications of moving the speed restriction from Pont Bell to New Mills

Any other matter not listed – no other matter to discuss

7. Reports – clerk had been asked to obtain 3 quotes. In the event she had received two (the third had not submitted a quote despite being asked). One quote from Green Valley Solutions included taking and removing the cut tress from the site (the other stated that it would be burned on site – Clerk had tried to contact that contractor for a price for clearing the trees but had not been able to contact the contractor). It was agreed to ask Green Valley Solutions Ltd to undertake the work at a cost of £540 (including VAT)

9. LETTERS OF THANKS – from Family Friends or recent donation

10. CORRESPONDENCE

A.Bank Statement. – Clerk informed Council that the precept figure needed for 2017/18 to be agreed. A statement of expenditure and income had already been submitted last month and the £22500 current precept figure did not leave any funds for emergencies i.e. having to make repairs to the toilets building which could be significant. Also due to an election in 2017 - WCBC had indicated that the cost to the Council would be around £850 which needed to be factored in. On balance Councillors agreed that the current figure needed to be increased and it was agreed that the precept be increased to £25,000 per annum. Whilst the extra £2500 would not cover the total cost of repairs to the toilet building, the remainder would need to come from the money held in the deposit account. Clerk to inform WCBC

Clerk produced bank statements showing £20179.47 in the current account and £15271.61 in the deposit account. The current account included £7333.33 precept figure received in December and also the budget for the community Agent grant.

b. WCBC –

Letter from Helen Patterson regarding complaints received regarding WCBC’s response to bus service ceasing due to GHP buses going into liquidation - noted

c. Welsh Government –

Letter regarding a consultation on the Welsh Transport Appraisal Guidance (WeITAG) 2018 started 8.12.2016 and finished 2.3.2017 – link is:- https:// conulstation.gov.wales/consultations/welsh-transport-appraisal-guidance 2017

**Any other correspondence not listed:-**

Letter from Chirk and Ceiriog Valley Partnerships re new signage for villages of Glyn Ceiriog and Pandy – Councillors in agreement with suggestions – Clerk to inform

Letter received from Mr R. O Jones asking if a sign could be erected by Pont Weglog – ‘unsuitable for large vehicles’ as apparently – large lorries are being directed by their sat nav to access the village along this narrow lane resulting in blocking the lane and having to have assistance to be removed. Clerk to contact Highways

11. PLANNING APPLICATIONS/APPROVALS –

Application for a Definitive Map Modification Order to upgrade part of public footpath Llansanffraid Glyn Ceiriog 11 to a bridleway – no objections

Change of use of buildings and land from fish farming to domestic, filling in some fishponds, re- construction of stabling and first floor extension to dwelling – Upper Mills Trout Farm, Glyn Ceiriog – no objections

12. PAYMENTS

 A. Of outstanding account (Section 136 Legislative Powers)

 Bryn Jones (litter picking) £40,00

 Jeff Davies (I/B) £273.00

 Dilys Bates £403.20

 Groundworks (CA training) £50.00

b. Request for donation – (section 137) -

13. Any other matter not listed –

Cllr Eric Jones had been asked by a resident for gritting material to be placed at the bottom of church hill – apparently during a recent couple of icy days the those residents living at the bottom of Church Hill were finding it difficult getting about – Clerk to contact Street Scene

Road leading up to Frongoch not suitable for walkers etc – Clerk to contact Street Scene