

BRO CERNYW COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
7:30PM 15TH DECEMBER 2021
AT GWYTHERIN CENTRE

1 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

1.1 All were welcomed by Clwyd Roberts (CR)

1.2 Present: Ann Vaughan (AV), Diane Roberts (DR), Eimir Williams (EW), Mark Davies (MD), R. Emllyn Williams (REW) & Gwynfor Davies (GD)

1.3 Apologies: Garffild Ll Lewis (GLL), Gwyn Williams (GW) & Gwydion Jones (GJ)

2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None.

3 MINUTES TO APPROVE 24TH NOVEMBER 2021

REW apologised for not attending the meeting.

4 MATTERS ARISING

None.

5 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

5.1 0/49143: discussion that the building had already been erected. No remark, approve.

5.2 0/49182: discussion that this would be a large development and that the area land involved is significant. All agreed that the buildings as they are currently are dangerous. Councillors in agreement that the project would place too many holiday accommodation properties in the village and that it is affordable housing that is required in the area. All in agreement that the development is too big and concern about the road network and safety. Councillors in agreement that something needs to be done about the site but that this development is too big for the village and it would change the village significantly.

All in agreement to reject the application as it currently stands as there is plenty of holiday accommodation in the village already and that this proposed development would change the village in its entirety due to size and concerns about access to the site. Also note that the Council doesn't object to developing the site.

6 MONITORY MATTERS

6.1 DR reported that she is in the process of preparing for the precept and will report back next meeting.

7 COUNCIL MATTERS

7.1 To be discussed next meeting.

7.2 CR & EW had met in the cemetery recently, trees opposite Llais Afon dangerous and urgent work needed. Members of the public had contacted EW to report the trees due to damage. CR had already asked Dewi Williams to undertake the work due to the urgent nature being a health and safety risk to the public. CR asked the Councillors' opinion on cutting the soft wood down half or all the way to the ground. REW & EW asked what the position was in relation to planning permission to cut the trees. All in agreement that the trees needed to be cut right away due to health and safety. DR proposed that Ysgol Bro Cernyw pupils are offered a chance to plant new trees in their place, project in place through Woodlands Trust.

AV raised that other branches have fallen in the cemetery, CR will ask Dewi Williams if he can clear them, otherwise will ask Kevin Roberts to undertake this work.

7.3 EW had been looking at prices for Chrome Books – around £200, laptops available for around £400. The Council's email account would work with a Chromebook but it would need to be connected to the internet to work. DR raised that it would be a good idea for whomever undertakes work relating to preparing documents for audit/accounts could use the laptop so that everything can be kept on one device. She also raised the possibility of using a memory stick. Council's current laptop around twelve years old therefore decided this is too old to be considered. Also need to purchase Microsoft Office programme for the laptop, discussed a subscription fee would apply. REW proposed purchasing a laptop seconded by AV.

EW also reported that she had heard from the County Council that there is money available to purchase a Zoom licence. She also discussed that it is now law that meetings need to be held multi-venue, therefore need to offer attendance via the internet. Discussion that Microsoft Teams could be used to facilitate online meetings therefore no need to purchase a Zoom licence.

7.4 CR noted that the meeting in Pandy Tudur on 19th January 2022 is due to the precept needing to be in by 21st January. Further 2022 meetings: February 23rd at Llangernyw, March 30th at Gwytherin, April 27th at Pandy Tudur, May 25th at Llangernyw, June 29th at Gwytherin, July 27th at Pandy Tudur, September 28th at Llangernyw, October 26th at Gwytherin, November 23rd at Pandy Tudur and December 14th at Llangernyw.

EW will book venue in Gwytherin, CR to book Llangernyw and GJ to book Pandy Tudur.

8 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

No report.

9 BILLS

9.1 Enlli: £134.82, agreed to pay.

9.2 PAYE correspondence received regarding tax, GD to discuss with accountant.

10 LOCAL MATTERS

AV had been to the cemetery to see the bench DR had discussed during last meeting. It is in a good state but a plank of wood needs to be repaired/replaced. All in agreement to ask Kevin Roberts to undertake the work.

Members of the public had raised pot-holes on Tyn Pistill road, DR mentioned this had been reported to the County Council; also a pot-hole near Ddol Bach garage, will use Report It to notify the County Council.

A member of community had enquired what is happening with the old Bridge public house. Councillors had not heard of an update about this.

Asked if the Council is willing to purchase 20mph flashing signs.

DR had been in contact with police officer, John Morris, to request training to use speed guns. Also noted purchasing such guns would be around £100.

DR raised the bench following request asking if it could be re-sited in a location whereby there is no need to walk over the grass to reach it. REW will review the cemetery map to see if there is an available clear site and will report back during next meeting.

General complaint about condition of roads.

Had asked Un Llais for additional copies of newsletters relating to the proposed wind farm development, so far nothing received. DR had also made enquires with other Councils but had not found anything. EW had also reviewed the Council's emails.

EW had heard that the works on Bont Faen is due to go on longer than 10th January. CR will ask GLL for an update about this.

Had received recommendations on who to contact to prepare a report on the trees in Gwytherin, will ask for estimates for this.

REW had used Report It to notify County Council about road problems in Gwytherin area.

Asked what is the position regarding electing a new Councillor. CR will prepare an advert.

Raised that the Council needs to prepare a risk assessment form for the cemeteries. EW will look through Council's emails for the form by next meeting. Cemeteries committee to deal.

REW asked if all were in agreement for him to purchase No Dog signs for Gwytherin. AV also asked if some could be purchased for Llangernyw and DR asked for Pandy Tudur. All in agreement to order 10 signs, REW to deal.

CR raised that a public meeting for Bro Cernyw Community Council only would be held during March to discuss the proposed wind farm development. Discussion that the meeting would need to be held in Llangernyw, need to advertise the date and location in good time and ensure remote access online.

The owner of Brook Cottage wanted to attend tonight's meeting to discuss the work however had not given enough notice that they wanted to speak.

Had received communication from Cartrefi Conwy that one of the houses at y Fron, Pandy Tudur will become available for purchase in the new year and asking if there was someone local wanting to purchase they should contact Iwan M Williams, Llanrwst to register interest. DR proposed that the Council writes to Cartrefi Conwy to advise that the Council is disappointed and asking if the County Council/Grŵp Cynefin and Catrefi Conwy have a register of people wanting homes. Decision made by Cartrefi Conwy to sell the dwelling already due to costs involved to renovate the property before making enquires about local people wanting to rent.

Proposed a message be sent about the intention to sell the property be sent to Pandy Tudur residents, EW to deal.

11 NEXT MEETING

19th January 2022 at Pandy Tudur Vestry

Meeting concluded 9:20pm

Minutes taken by Enlli Vaughan