

**CERNYW COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**7:30PM APRIL 26<sup>TH</sup> 2023**  
**HELD IN GWYTHERIN**

**1 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES**

**1.1** All were welcomed by Clwyd Roberts (CR)

**1.2** Present: Jane Roberts (JR), Ann Vaughan (AV), Diane Roberts (DR), Mark Davies (MD), Sara Thomas (ST), Austin Roberts (AR) & Catrin Griffiths (Clerc, CWG)

**1.3** Apologies: Myrddin Davies (MGD), Gwydion Jones (GJ), Einir Williams (EW) – in another meeting, will be joining the meeting later.

**2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

EW - items 5.2 a 5.3

ST - 5.3

**3 MARCH 29<sup>TH</sup> 2023 MINUTES TO APPROVE**

Proposed correct by MD and seconded by DR.

**4 MATTERS ARISING**

DR wanted to notify the council that she had taken back her offer of £100 to Julia Parry three days after the last meeting after reading the code of conduct.

DR referred to 6.3 during the last meeting and reminded that all councillors need to mention if they are aware of anything happening in the area even if this isn't on the agenda. DR had a presentation from Un Llais on this. CR had heard to the contrary and understood that there is no need to mention unless it is on the agenda. CR awaiting confirmation from Un Llais before going forward. [AR arriving] AR explained the County Council rules and that connections can be personal or hypocritical but declaration of interest needs to be made when dealing with planning applications. AR will speak with the Governing Department at the County Council for advice.

AV mentioned the Human Rights Act and explained that some landowners had been harrassed and she would issue a solicitor's letter to those responsible if this happens to her. AR reminded if there is a connection then the best thing to do is leave the room.

Since the last meeting, CWG had prepared a declaration of interest form to be published on the website.

DR mentioned that she had attended a law course and that the council's assets need to be published on the website. AV mentioned the Human Rights Act and data protection and MD asked if this can be published as it would make business public? AR noted that interest only needs to be declared if they benefit from the connection. All in agreement that they do this already. DR proposed that CWG enquires about this with Un Llais.

**5 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**5.1** 0/50645 land near Melai, Llangernyw, LL22 8TD

Previously approved. DR cited from the permission about biodiversity. All in agreement to approve.

**5.2** 0/50617 Arfryn, Pandy Tudur, LL22 8UL

All in agreement to approve.

**5.3** 0/50610 land at Merddyn, Gwytherin LL22 8UY

A lot of locals were disappointed that the last application had been rejected. DR mentioned that pupils doing homework and need connection. [EW arrived and walked out due to declaration of interest]. All in agreement to approve.

**5.4** 0/50679 Bryn Hafod, Gwytherin LL22 8YF. DR cited from the application and not clear to her. AR explained the application. DR noted that neither Llethr or Pen Llethr had submitted any objections. AR mentioned it was within policy guidelines. All in agreement with 'no remarks'.

## **6. COUNCIL MATTERS**

**6.1** electrical signs - CR mentioned that there is an issue with the site. They are moving one at Parc Aelas from one side to the other. AR suggested contacting Richard Roberts to arrange a date to meet with CR and DR. They would place the sign wherever the community council felt it was needed. AR reminded that consideration needs to be given to location of electrical poles as they are powered by electricity. DR, MD, CR and perhaps JR to arrange a meeting with Richard Roberts.

**6.2** Reports - CR mentioned that reports following councillors attending meetings/courses can be lengthy. Suggested that these are sent by email ahead of the meetings to save time. All in agreement with this.

## **7. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

The road between Gosen and the village and also from has started to be repaired. Work to place scalping's on the passing places near Lead Inn before the end of the week. JR mentioned that the road is very busy and the work needs to be done. Need to raise which roads need to be done with AR before the end of the year. An inspector will then decide which roads will be prioritised. DR noted that a number of cars get stuck on Ty'n Pistyll road. AR had been around with the inspector and some of the roads will be done.

Pen Bryn Bont Sylltu – planning application against agricultural policy and AR had been making enquiries on behalf of the couple. The site is on the list and the council will visit during May.

An alternative footpath location has been identified through Hafod y Gog. But maps exist with the original path. The signs for the new path will be placed soon.

Discussion about parking places in front of the old church in Gwytherin. AR had contacted the council's assets department and more photographs are required, these are expected tomorrow.

AR had enquired how to get Bike Safe signs but the council is not aware of them. They are on the A470 therefore are controlled by Cardiff. AR noted that NWMTRA are responsible for the road and advise the county council what to do and will investigate further.

The broken road sign in Gwytherin has been repaired.

AR, along with other local county councillors have been trying to establish a food bank in Llanrwst but haven't been able to find a building. They have contacted Conwy and Abergele food banks and are acting as agents for those food banks. If anyone wants to use the foodbank they can contact AR. DR proposed putting the information on the website and on a poster in the 3 villages with AR's email address.

DR asked to repair the road in Glan Collen as there are large pot holes in the road. She also mentioned Brook House and that local residents are not happy. AR had also received emails from residents. AR mentioned that they have received a certificate of lawfulness as someone had been staying there during Covid and time has elapsed. JR notified AR that they were only

staying there in vans during Covid. AR encouraged anyone that suspects that planning permission has not been sought to contact the county's planning department. DR asked AR to enquire about the dog fouling problem in the playing field in Gwytherin and if they had received permission from Conwy Council as discussed during the last meeting. AR will make enquiries if permission has been given for people to take dogs into the park.

## **8. MONITORY MATTERS**

DR had prepared a statement. Overspend of £1369 but starts next to some items (room hire - no invoice). Enlli and CWG's costs to be added. CR mentioned that election funds to be transferred. Cemetery fund has gone over due to urgent health and safety. Burial fees come in via cheque. Footpaths funds awaited (and others at the bottom of the list). VAT not included - Kevin's VAT not included as it is reclaimed. Funds had to be spent due to health and safety concerns urgently on the bus stop in Llangernyw. EW asked DR to mentor CWG about the financial side. DR to ask Iona (accountant) to inspect the books.

## **9. CORRESPONDENCE**

9.1 Training dates - CWG to email Wendi with the requirements.

## **10. BILIAU**

10.1 EW - Laptop and lifetime Microsoft Office package, total £388.99

Also a voucher for Enlli for finishing as minutes clerk. Total £54.95

Invoices received in support of the above. Total for both = £443.94.

10.2 CWG to present next month

10.3 Iona Edwards - VAT £60

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10.5 Enlli - £143.60

10.6 - Gadlas £8

10.7 - D. Evans cutting grass - £450

10.8 - AV - purchasing plants - £22.68

Passed to pay all of the above (apart from CWG next month)

## **11. LOCAL MATTERS**

AV - need to order skips for Pandy Tudur and Gwytherin. Llangernyw skip - need to order a slot. Bench in the cemetery has rotted - family are arranging to remove it but didn't wish for a replacement therefore there will be space for someone else to put a bench there. Arrangements in place to paint the kiosk in Gwytherin. AV has started to purchase flowers for the flower tubs. Work has started to cut trees near Penbont.

EW - letter received regarding dog fouling in Gwytherin cemetery. EW - need to consider CCTV or wildlife camera. Dog fouling near the gates also. On the next agenda to discuss further.

JR - since the signs were put up in Llangernyw there have been no further bags thrown into the field but 2 of the signs have disappeared.

## **12. NEXT MEETING**

24th May at 7:30pm at Pandy Tudur - Annual General Meeting

Meeting concluded 9:40pm

Minutes taken by CWG