

BRO CERNYW COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 28TH 2023 AT 7:30PM
HELD AT BRO CERNYW COMMUNITY CENTRE

1 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

1.1 All were welcomed by Clwyd Roberts (CR)

1.2 Present: Jane Roberts (JR), Ann Vaughan (AV), Myrddin Davies (MGD), Diane Roberts (DR), Mark Davies (MD), Sara Thomas (ST), Einir Williams (EW), Gwydion JONES (GJ), & Catrin Griffiths (Clerc, CWG)

1.3 Apologies: Austin Roberts (AR)

The Chairman, and all present, expressed condolences to the Rhydeden family following the sudden loss of Ifor Edwards.

2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

EW - 6.2

3 MAY 25TH 2023 MINUTES TO APPROVE

April Minutes – Proposed correct by JR and seconded by MD.

May Minutes - Proposed correct by AV and seconded by MGD.

4 MATTERS ARISING

CWG - HSBC still in progress, everyone needs to sign and then move on to the next step. Had registered with ICO and renewed insurance with BHIB. Welsh Water account has been frozen temporarily and they are happy to receive a payment once online banking is sorted. In readiness for the annual audit, CWG had printed the minutes for the financial year and taken them to Iona and DR had taken the invoices and accounts and Iona has said that she would carry out all the related work. CWG has sent numerous emails to check on progress but hasn't had a reply. Iona contacted the day after the meeting to say that they would be completed by Friday (the closing date).

The skips have been ordered for Pandy Tudur on July 25th and Gwytherin on July 27th and messages have been sent to the Gadlas and posters put up in the notice boards. Arfon is looking into finding out how many visits the Community Council's website gets.

5 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

5.1 0/50787 *Bridge Inn*, Llangernyw

5.2 0/50788 *Bridge Inn*, Llangernyw

The above two applications were discussed together. EW noted that it was a large house and DR was of the view that it shouldn't touch the public footpath. All approved.

5.3 0/50798 Tan Y Ffordd, Ffordd Abergele, Llanrwst LL26 0NT

MGD said that it was a thorough application but that he had received local comments worrying about the course of the river, worry about noise and dog control as there wouldn't be someone on site at all times. MD noted that the application is for 12 months of the year but that it would be better to limit this to 9 months. All approved with remarks.

5.4 0/50848 Tŷ'r Felin Isa, Tyn Ddol, Gwytherin LL22 8YD

DR had received a remark from a member of the public who were very worried that the parking is very near their property and that the development would mean that it would be difficult to pass.

EW advised that they are not visible but that attention needs to be drawn to the fact that entrance still needs to be clarified.

MGD said that it had been discussed previously and that his remarks still stood. DR said that a planning permission needs to be suitable for a wheelchair. All in agreement except for DR who voted against.

6 COUNCIL MATTERS

6.1 Standing Orders – had sent an email with updated rules for all to read. MGD advised that the meeting language should be added to the Standing Orders. [ST arrived]. AV advised that the latest Standing Orders were adopted 22/7/2020. Decided that CR, EW, JR, MD and ST arrange to meet to discuss further Wednesday 7.23. (DR will be doing the financial rules).

6.2 Empty Seat -[EW left the room]. CWG had placed posters in the 3 villages and on the website – one application had been received. Very strong application, all in agreement to appoint Mr Euros Williams as a new Councillor. CWG to contact him to congratulate and invite him to the next meeting on 19/7/23. [EW returned to the meeting].

6.3 Local places for nature – packs not available. Some development ideas were:

EW – create habitat for pollinators in Gwytherin.

DR – field around the multi weather pitch.

JR – tyres and school greenhouse.

DR – nest boxes.

6.4 Local Solutions Protocol Model – had been sent to everyone. Agreed to discuss the same time as the Standing Orders.

7 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

7.1 Pen Bont Sylltu application is confirmed, as well as an agricultural building in Bryn Hafod (with conditions).

7.2. This morning I went around Pandy and Gwytherin with Emyr Jones from the highways department of Conwy Council.

7.2a. Pandy Tudur's playing field is due to be cut next week.

7.2b. Pandy bridge to have a further inspection during July.

7.2c. Problem with water flowing down the road towards the bridge, the council to place a new drain at the bottom of the hill when resources allow.

7.3a. I received a complaint from Hafod Bach owners due to water flooding from the road into the house, although I had advised the owners I would visit this morning, there was nobody home. As it happened, the council is in the process of installing a new drain around 200m away, therefore Emyr has asked the workers to open the ditch opposite Hafod Bach.

7.3b. The grass in the playing field needs to be cut but the environmental department is opposing. Emyr will ask for a compromise and leave around the stream and hedge wild.

7.3c. The Council will place new drainage pipes under the road between the village and Llwyn Saint junction. The work to start at the beginning of August to be completed before the Show. The Council to consult the farmers between the village and the end of the valley before starting the work.

Lastly, the road was closed into the village on urgent order following application by Welsh Water due to a burst pipe.

8 MONITORY MATTERS

Still awaiting for VAT money to be received and also footpaths funds.

9 CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 Letter from D. Emrys Williams regarding the late T. Hugh William – all in agreement to contribute. CWG to ask Emrys how much is the cost and the committee to agree a sum to contribute next month.

9.2 Email from Carys Thomas regarding trees in the Rectory, Gwytherin – Councillors mentioned that this is in the County Council's remit. CWG to ask Austin which department to contact.

9.3 Message from the website asking to cut the grass in Gwytherin park – CWG to speak with Austin.

9.4 Future Wales 2040 plan – notification that a meeting will be held at Betws yn Rhos village hall on 13th July 2023 regarding the Moelfre industrial windmills.

9.5 Notification that Cell Conwy Wledig / Cymdeithas yr Iaith are holding an Open Meeting in the Llanrwst Family Centre on Tuesday 4th July at 7:30pm. Howard Hughes of the Language Circle will be talking about the effect of holiday homes on communities, Councillor Nia Clwyd will be talking about the impact locally and Walis George of Cymdeithas yr Iaith will be explaining the importance of the Property Act. At the end of the meeting there would be an opportunity to ask questions. The meeting is open to all, and everyone is welcome to contact Beryl Griffiths before the meeting if you have any questions.

9.6 Darganfod Dyffryn Dyfodol – online event on 11th July 2023 (11:00 - 12:15), that will inspect the project and creative development of Dyffryn Dyfodol in the Conwy Valley.

9.7 Next training dates – all to let CWG know if they want to attend any course.

9.8 Hawl i Holi 6/7/23 5:15 pm, programme 6pm-7pm, Canolfan Addysg Bro Aled, Llansannan.

10 BILLS

10.1 Canolfan Gymunedol Bro Cernyw - 8/2/23, 22/2/23 - £10

10.2 CWG – stamps and envelopes - £9.80

10.3 CWG – travelling costs since February - 48 miles @0.45p/mile = £21.60.

10.4 CWG – wages since 23.3.23. cost per month according to Euros would be £461.83 with CWG receiving £369.63 after 20% tax. The Community Council will need to pay the tax to HMRC every quarter, therefore around £276.60 each quarter. There is a possibility to set up direct debit, otherwise *BrightPay Connect* will send an email each quarter to remind of the need to pay.

10.5 Audit Cymru - 2019-20 - £200

10.6 Audit Cymru - 2020-21 - £200

10.7 Audit Cymru - 2021-22 - £248

10.8 D. Evans – cutting grass £450

10.9 PR signs - £46.56 cheque to AV

All in agreement to pay the above.

11 LOCAL MATTERS

DR – 20mph signs are not visible due to overgrowth. Hedge near the remembrance garden is overgrown. MD said that the highways department can cut the hedge. Dogs in Gwytherin walking through the field where there are swings. Path from Bont Faen to Ty'n Caeau is dangerous.

EW - Two members of the pupil have been in contact regarding the developments at Petryal – new entrance in the hedge and a holiday cottage is there. DR said she had asked Austin about instances like these in previous meetings. CR asked EW to contact Austin.

JR - Guto Owen had contacted her to advise that work needs to be done on the Llwybr Troed footpath before the winter. A lorry has been parking near the toilets and has broken the grit tub. CR to keep an eye if it parks there again.

AV – thanked MD for cutting around the trees in the cemetery. Dei Evans had been there to cut the grass and avoid the right hand side due to the clover etc. Rock Garden needs cutting and tidying, Gardening Club used to do this. Had asked 3 people for quotes – Dei Evans to trim near the railings £50, clearing and taking away £120. Kevin Roberts - £210, £360 total. Wil Edwards, estimate £49 to cut everything but would need taking away. All in agreement that the work needs to be done. MD proposed asking Dei Evans, GJ seconded, all agreed.

Agreed that the environment sub-committee looks after the rock garden from now on. MGD mentioned that it should be discussed at the same time as cemeteries. The tender to cut the grass will be coming up next year and it should be included then to save asking for quotes again. Need to cut around and clean the road signs. Had not heard anything about bike safe from Darren Millar. Had not had a price to paint the bus stop in Gwytherin.

CR - Complaint that a lot of unused cars are parked in Fedwen Arian, the owner is number 10. The ambulance had problems turning around last time. CWG to contact Austin to see what can be done and if it's a matter for the police. Had received a price from Kevin Roberts about footpath 43 between Pentre Wern and Ty'n Caeau – repair and maintenance work £480, due to health and safety issue, all in agreement to carry on with the work.

12 NEXT MEETING

19th July 2023 at Gwytherin.

Meeting concluded at 9:30pm

Minutes taken by CWG