

CYNGOR CYMUNED GORSLAS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Gorslas Community Council held at Drefach Welfare Hall on Monday, 10th April, 2017, at 7.00.p.m.

184.0 Agenda Item 1: Record of those Present/Apologies

- **Members:** Cllrs Wyn Edwards (Chair), Nia Lewis, Simon Martin, Brian Kirby, Anthony Rees, Terry Davies, Clive Green, Aled Owen, Darren Price, Terry Jones and Ellis Davies
- **Others:** Mr Ian Jones, Head of Leisure Carmarthenshire County Council, Llew Thomas Clerk to the Council and Mr Hefin Jones, Translator.
- **Apologies for absence:** Cllrs Tina Jukes, Janice Price, Gavin Griffiths and Huw Davies.

184.1 Welcome

- The Chair declared the meeting open at 7.00p.m.and thanked everyone for attending.
- Mr Ian Jones, Head of Leisure Carmarthenshire County Council was in attendance and had asked to be allowed to address members in relation to section 106 monies.
- **Resolved:** That the agenda be amended to allow discussion on the section 106 monies.

185.0 Additional Agenda Item Section 106 Monies.

- Mr Jones thanked members for the opportunity to address the meeting.
- It had been noted that concern had been expressed by both the County Councillors and the Community Council over the possible allocation of section 106 monies to fund works at Llyn Llech Owain rather than the local parks.
- The need, as well as the background to consideration being given for the use of resources to fund the works at Llyn Llech Owain was explained.
- Mr Jones stressed that the County Council was aware of the fact that, unlike parks in Carmarthenshire, Gorslas Community Council had funded and maintained the three local parks out of its own funds.
- During the discussions members relayed the following key issues: -
 - (i) There was a strong expectation from residents that section 106 monies, including future schemes, would be spent on local facilities such as the parks whilst Llyn Llech Owain drew the majority of its visitors from outside of the locality.
 - (ii) The current play equipment was ageing and in need of replacement or refurbishment at a considerable cost with the opportunity to bid for section 106 monies providing a valuable source of funding for the programme.
 - (iii) Having put on hold successful bids for such funding for 2016/17 to facilitate discussion on the siting of a new school at Gorslas Park it had come as a surprise to learn that those funds could be re-allocated.
 - (iv) Should the proposal for the new school not go ahead then, after seeking to help the County Council, the residents and the Community Council would be penalised twice.
 - (v) If the school and facilities were to go ahead then the position could be re-visited.
- Mr Jones indicated that the issues and concerns raised were understandable and whilst the ultimate decision on where the section 106 monies was spent would be that of the County Council through its Chief Planning Officer he wished to re-assure members that it was not the intention of the County Council to undermine the good work undertaken by the Community Council over a number of years.

- There was also a mutual desire by both organisations to work closer together in terms of future section 106 agreements and linking them with the needs and priorities of both the Community and County Councils.
- Additionally, members were invited individually or through the Community Council to forward any observations or suggestions they may have in relation to the development of Llyn Llech Owain and how it could be more successful in attracting local residents.
- In response to a question relating to the County Council's proposals for Canolfan Carwyn it was indicated that discussions were ongoing with several groups in relation to the possibility of their taking it over. If, however agreement was not reached by September then regrettably the center would close.
- There being no further items for discussion Mr Jones was thanked for his attendance before withdrawing from the meeting.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

186.0 Agenda Item 2 Declarations of Interest

- Agenda Item 12. Cllr T Davies declared a personal but not prejudicial interest in relation to his role as a County Councillor serving on the Local Authority's planning committee.
- Agenda Item 10. Cllr T Davies in his role as an official of the Cefneithin Growers Association.

187.0 Agenda Item 3. Exclusion of Press and Public.

- There were no items where it was necessary to exclude members of the press and public.

188.0 Agenda Item 4 Consider the Minutes of Meeting of the 13th March,2017.

- Under the direction of the Chair members proceeded to examine and consider each page of the minutes of the previous meeting for accuracy.
- Cllr A Rees indicated that in relation to the item regarding the Old Pharmacy it would be helpful to the County Council if the distinction between the shop and the residential property which could be referred to by the same name was made. The information would be relayed by the Clerk to the County Council.
- **Resolved:** Proposed by Cllr T Davies, seconded by Cllr C Green and agreed by all present that the minutes of the previous meeting were a true and accurate record of proceedings and the decisions made.

189.0. Agenda Item 5. Matters Arising from the Minutes.

189.1 Cefneithin Park. MUGA.

- A site meeting to progress the matter was held with the company on Thursday 6th April, 2017. In attendance Cllrs B Kirby, T Jones and the Clerk.
- A revised schedule of matters outstanding was forwarded to the company on the afternoon of the 6th April,2017.
- Remedial works have commenced following the meeting
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

189.2 Cefneithin Hall. Lease

- Discussions have taken place with a solicitor from the County Council and details of the previous lease and plan have been forwarded.
- The solicitors are awaiting a copy of the formal constitution of the Hall Committee before proceeding.
- In view of the fact that the lease has expired a request for payment of the annual fee from the Hall Committee has not been made.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

189.3 Cefneithin Park. Development and Future Schemes

- The Hall Committee has responded indicating that at a meeting on Wednesday 5th April, 2017, it was resolved that they would wish to see any monies available for developing the park be spent on:
 1. Drainage
 2. Tree Cutting in the wooded Area
 3. Paths
 4. Benches.
- Resolved:
 - (i) To proceed with phase 1 of the drainage i.e. the clearing of existing drains in the wooded area.
 - (ii) Costs to be obtained in respect of each of the other items.
 - (iii) Benches the quotation to be for the supply of 6 benches and two picnic tables made from re-cyclable material. The Clerk to forward brochures/links to the Cefneithin Ward who are requested to provide feedback prior to determining type etc.
 - (iv) Drainage – additional works to be placed on the June meeting agenda for discussion.

189.4 Gorslas Park. Titan Swing and Gyro Rotator.

- Titan Swing: Repairs to the safety surface of the Titan Swing have been completed.
- Gyro rotator: Temporary repair to safety surface completed. Replacement work planned to commence w/e 3rd April, 2017, depending on weather conditions.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

189.5 Drefach Park. Development and Future Schemes

- The Welfare Association has provided a schedule of developments which they would wish to see implemented for the park which were: -
 - (i) Replacement of the old wooden fencing around the Children's Corner with looped-top colourful metal fencing, as fitted around the rest of the Children's Corner.
 - (ii) Drainage scheme of the Garden Plot overlooking the Children's Corner and provide appropriate seating and tables in order to create a picnic area. The installation of an entrance gate between the Brynglas Estate Car Park and the Garden Plot.
 - (iii) New items of play equipment for the Children's Corner.

- (iv) Create a kick-ball area by the provision of an integrated set of goal posts and basketball hoop.
- (v) The provision of a 30 x 15m MUGA for the older youths of the village.
- (vi) To carry out improvements to the aesthetics of the Park entrance, to make it more visitor friendly.
- (vii) To paint the Toll Bar; replace the old wooden window and the installation of information panels outlining the history of the Toll Bar and its significance with the Rebecca Riots.
- (viii) To improve the notice board facilities in the village by either acquiring the Youth Service notice board at the top of the Gwendraeth School bus bay or by the provision of a facility at or near the new Post Office/Shop when completed.
- (ix) Across the three wards:
 - Plan for the eventual replacement of the old concrete and wooden slats benches.
 - Update the Information Boards at the entrances to all three Parks.

189.6 Community Council Website.

- No further suggestions had been received in relation to the updating of the website.
- In response to an enquiry Cllr Ellis Davies indicated that it was difficult to get accurate valid numbers of hits recorded on the website.
- Cllr Davies also kindly indicated that even though he would be leaving office on the 8th May, 2017, he would be prepared to assist the Council and Clerk with the placing of items on the Community Council's website.
- Cllr Aled Vaughan- Owen confirmed for members that the Council's social media contact details had been updated and that some 7 likes had been recorded over the last few weeks.
- **Resolved:** To thank members for their assistance and in particular Cllr Ellis Davies for his kind offer of assistance following the end of his term of office.

189.7 Community Council 30th Anniversary Celebrations- Friday 28th April, 2017.

- Confirmation of attendance has been received from several individuals. To assist with the arrangements, it would be appreciated if members could indicate to the Clerk asap whether or not they were in a position to attend.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

189.8 Parks - Annual External Inspection.

- Following discussion with the Parks Inspector and Chair an order in respect of the parts in need of renewal on the grounds of health and safety has been made with the recommended supplier. The order amounted to £ 1,049.80.
- **Resolved:** To receive, note and approve the actions taken.

189.9 Gorslas Park. Anti-Social Behaviour.

- A date for a site meeting in relation to possible CCTV coverage has been sought from Dyfed Powys Police Designing Out Crime Officer.

- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

189.10 Operational Issues Public Convenience Gorslas

- As agreed at the last meeting the contractor has been contacted in relation to the operation of the contract and any issues arising with HMRC. The contractor is content with the current arrangement.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

189.11 Additional Street Lighting- Heol Y Dre

- Awaiting response from the County Council.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

189.12 Wayside Seat/ Footpath Examination Reports.

- At the previous meeting, it had been resolved to repair four seats within the Drefach ward. Since that time two further seats, one at Y Glyn and one further seat in the Drefach ward had been identified as requiring work.
- Resolved:
- The seat at Brynglas be repaired
- The three seats at Bron Yr Ynn, Drefach, be removed but not repaired.
- The seat outside 15 Y Glyn, Cefneithin be repaired
- A seat located at Bron Yr Ynn, Drefach in the dead-end area and near the footpath to Heol Blaenhirwaun be repaired.

189.13 Gorslas – Wayside Seat Brynlluan.

- At the March meeting, it was resolved to replace one of the two seats which had been damaged.
- To obtain the best price possible permission is sought to delay the purchase of the seat to allow it to be included with the order for seats for Cefneithin Park thus maximising the opportunity to reduce costs.
- **Resolved:** To receive, note and approve the actions taken.

189.14 Noticeboard – Former Ysgol Y Gwendraeth

- Enquiries have been made of the Education Department in relation to the above. Currently awaiting response.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided

189.15 Gorslas Public Convenience – Store Room Doors

- An inspection of the door and frame has been undertaken by a specialist fabricator and prices are being obtained for a standard replacement door, lock and frame against the cost of a fabricated galvanised door and frame set.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

189.16 Gorslas Park – Safety Surface Soil Deposits

- The contractor has completed the work of removing the soil deposits.
- **Resolved:** To receive, note and approve the actions taken.

189.17 Drefach – Bus Shelter Heol Cwmmawr

- The County Council have acknowledged receipt of the complaint and have issued an instruction that the works be undertaken.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

189.18 Drefach – The Old Pharmacy

- The matter has been referred for the attention of the County Council's Building Control Department who are responsible for such matters.
- A response has not been received to date.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

189.19 Drefach – Old Notice Board.

- As agreed at the March meeting an instruction has been issued for the removal of the notice board.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

189.20 PACT – Anti Social Behaviour and Liaison with Schools

- It was reported that the Police have agreed to liaise with colleagues covering the Ammanford and Llandeilo areas to talk to children in relation to anti-social behaviour in Public Parks.
- A request was made that the representatives of the Community Council draw to the attention of the Police an incident which occurred on the evening of Saturday when a group of young people were seen on the roof of the teen shelter. It would be appreciated if the possibility of regular foot patrols commencing on the Heol Yr Eglwys side of the park could be introduced.
- **Resolved;** To receive and note the actions taken and that representatives relay the request relating to patrols at the next PACT meeting.

189.21 Section 106 Agreements

- An objection has been lodged by the Community Council in relation to the proposed allocation of remaining section 106 funds by the County Council.
- In relation to section 106 monies the County Council do not notify Community Councils automatically of any section 106 monies. It is for the Community Council to enquire.
- In that respect, it is important to note and record that schemes in the Cefneithin Ward at Rhosybonwen and developments at Cae Coch and Maesgwern Warehouse will attract section 106 funding in future.
- A meeting has been sought with officers in relation to the proposed re-direction of existing section 106 funds and also the procedure which should be adopted by the Community Council for identifying and drawing down section 106 funds.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided and to consider it in the light of the earlier discussion at the meeting with Mr Ian Jones Head of Leisure Carmarthenshire County Council.

189.22 Gorslas Park – Proposed New School.

- Following discussion at the previous meeting of the Council it has been agreed with the County Council that, due to the proximity of the May local government elections the meeting to discuss the above be postponed.
- A request for details of the valuation for the land on which the school will be built has been made.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

189.23 Future Meetings

- As agreed at the last meeting Cefneithin and Gorslas CP schools and Drefach Welfare Hall have been booked for meetings from April 2017 to May 2018.
- **Resolved:** To receive, note and approve the actions taken

190.0 New Matters Parks and General

190.1 General – May Local Elections

- Notice of Election were posted in the respective wards prior to the required date.
- Nominations closed on the 4th April,2017.
- The Electoral Services Manager had formally advised the Clerk that having considered the number of nominations received there was no requirement for an election to be held in any of the three wards.
- The Chair advised that there were three vacancies for members to represent the Gorslas ward and members were asked to consider and bring forward suitable names for consideration by the Council to fill the vacant positions.
- The Council has until Monday 12th June 2017 to co-opt suitable persons.
- If the positions are not filled the County Council may exercise its powers to hold an election
- In response to an enquiry it was stated that nominations could be put forward by any member of the Council rather than being limited to the members for the Gorslas Ward.
- In accordance with legislative requirements, existing members of the Council will **all** retire on the 8th May,2017, with the new Councillors taking office on the same day.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided and to request that nominations be presented prior to the next meeting of the Council in May,2017.

190.2 Park Equipment General. Legal Advice

- As resolved at the March meeting the Clerk in the update report outlined the main points regarding advice relating to the Council's, and contractors, liabilities for works in parks was provided.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

190.3 Cefneithin Park. Path Wooded Area

- Following a site visit and following concerns over the trip/slip hazard which debris and growth on the section of the path within the wooded area the contractor has undertaken a clean-up of the affected area.
- **Resolved:** To receive, note and approve the actions taken.

190.4 Drefach Park

- There were no items reported under this heading.

190.5 Gorslas Park – Asset Transfer.

- Members were advised that ownership and responsibility for the public conveniences buildings located at Gorslas Park had officially transferred to the Community Council as from the 1st April,2017.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

190.6 Gorslas Park - Vandalism

- During a site visit by the Clerk on Friday 31st March,2017, it was noted that: -
 - (i) Two wooden fence rails on the border with Church Road had been vandalised and
 - (ii) A wooden bench seat near the dedicated play area had been damaged.
- The contractor has been instructed to effect repairs.
- **Resolved:** To receive, note and approve the actions taken.

190.7 Gorslas Park – Teen Shelter

- It was reported that on the evening of Saturday 1st April,2017, a group of young people were seen on the roof of the teen shelter.
- **Resolved:** That the concerns be relayed to the Police at the next PACT meeting together with the request for foot patrols to be undertaken in the park.

190.8 Gorslas Gyro

- Safety Surface repair completed however since damaged by design fault.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

190.9 Gorslas Rotating Chair

- Repairs planned to commence after school holidays.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

191.0 Agenda Item 7 Urgent Local Matters.

191.1 Cefneithin. Heol Y Parc

- The County Council advise that works relating to footpath/drainage and kerbs are expected to commence w/e 18/04/17 and take about 2 weeks.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

191.2 Cefneithin. Footpath Surface Heol Y Parc side opposite Treventy Junction.

- It was noted and reported to the County Council that the surface of the footpath had been damaged.
- The Council has confirmed that they will look at the possibility of re-surfacing the damaged areas at the same time as they are undertaking the repairs at Heol Y Parc.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

191.3 Cefneithin. Dog Waste Bins Heol Yr Ysgol.

- Members reported that the bins were full and overflowing presenting a hazard to the public.
- **Resolved:** To ask the County Council to increase the frequency of collection or to increase capacity at the location.

191.4 Cefneithin. Collapsed Manhole cover carriageway near Maes Y Gwendraeth.

- It was pleasing to note that following a report by Cllr Aled Vaughan-Owen to the County Council of a dislodged manhole cover at the above location the matter had been attended to by the following day.
- **Resolved:** To write to the County Council to thank them for their prompt action.

191.5 Cefneithin. Gully Emptying Heol Yr Ysgol.

- A need for the work has been identified and has been passed to the County Council who have instructed that the works be undertaken.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

191.6 Drefach. Overgrowth Bron Yr Ynn.

- It was reported that residents were experiencing difficulties as a result of overgrowth coming from adjoining properties.
- The concerns have been relayed to the County Council who have instructed that remedial works be undertaken.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

191.7 Drefach. Litter Bron Yr Ynn

- Members reported that the concrete litter bin located on the path at Bron Yr Ynn was consistently full producing overspill.
- **Resolved:** To ask the County Council to provide additional capacity to cater for litter or to arrange an increased frequency of collection.

191.8 Drefach. Litter Lay-by Heol Blaenhirwaun.

- Members reported that the litter bin in the lay-by on the right-hand side of the road as you travel towards Cefneithin was full and overflowing.
- **Resolved:** To ask the County Council to provide additional capacity to cater for litter or to arrange an increased frequency of collection.

191.9 Drefach. Litter Bin Located near Old Post Office.

- Members reported that the litter bin located near the bus shelter opposite the old post office was full and overflowing.
- **Resolved:** To ask the County Council to provide additional capacity to cater for litter or to arrange an increased frequency of collection.

191.10 Gorslas. Ill-fitting Manhole Cover Church Road leading to Llyn Llech Owain.

- It was reported that in relation to the above that in relation to the manhole located near the speed limit sign a considerable gap had appeared between the cover and the carriageway.

- **Resolved:** That the matter be drawn to the attention of the County Council.

191.11 Gorslas Bus Shelter

- Following a report of litter the matter was attended to the 3rd April 2017.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

192.0 Members Reports

192.1 Health and Safety Awareness Course - Parks

- Cllr Kirby indicated that, together with the Clerk, he had attended a one day course organised by the County Council on park health and safety awareness issues.
- The Clerk thanked Cllr Kirby for making himself available to attend the meeting following the notification that morning of non-attendance by an attendee.
- A further course relating to health and safety was being arranged by the County Council.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

192.2 Sub Committee Feedback Performance Appraisal Clerk.

- The Chair reported that the Sub Committee had met with the Clerk on Friday 7th April, 2017.
- Discussion had taken place in relation to the issues and progress made during the 2016/17 year as well as any areas of difficulty which had occurred in that period.
- There was a joint discussion and agreement that the objectives for the 2017/18 year were: -
 - (i) Update and revise the job description for the Clerk.
 - (ii) Prepare a planned maintenance schedule.
 - (iii) Assist in progressing the proposed new primary school development at Gorslas Park.
- Having undertaken the review the Sub-Committee were happy to recommend that the Clerk proceed to the next point on the salary scale with effect from the 1st April, 2017.
- **Resolved:** To accept the Sub Committee's recommendations in terms of the performance targets for the 2017/18 year and also that the Clerk proceed to the next point on the salary scale as from the 1st April, 2017.

193.0 Agenda Item 9 PACT

- Due to operational reasons, it was necessary for the meeting to be cancelled.
- A report on crime statistics in the area is to be forwarded in due course.
- Discussion took place in relation to the incident reported in item 190.7 at Gorslas Park involving the Teen Shelter and also the danger to traffic exiting Heol Treventy at the junction to Heol Y Foel by the regular parking of a vehicle near the junction which restricts visibility of vehicles.
- **Resolved:**
 - (i) That representatives of the Community Council bring both matters to the attention of the Police at the next PACT meeting.
 - (ii) That a request for additional foot patrols by the Police at Gorslas Park be made.
 - (iii) That members report any incidents where the parking of a vehicle presents a danger to road users immediately when it occurs using the 101-reporting system.

194.0 Agenda Item 10 Correspondence.

194.1 Consultation.

Ref No	From	Subject	Notes
10.1	Dyfed Pensions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultation on Funding Strategy • Details can be accessed via http://www.dyfedpensionfund.org.uk/English/news/Pages/FundingStrategyStatement.aspx 	
10.2	Welsh Water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forwarded an invitation to send representatives to a workshop to be held at Principality Stadium between 9.15 a.m. and 16:15 hours on Tuesday 2nd May,2017. 	
10.3	One Voice Wales	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forwarded a link to their formal response to Welsh Govt proposals to reform Local Govt in Wales. • Electronic or paper copy available from the Clerk. 	

194.2 General Correspondence

Ref No	From	Subject	Notes
10.4	Cymdeithas Yr Iaith	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invitation to attend a meeting relating to individuals experience of the Health Service in Welsh. • Carmarthen Library 10.00 a.m. on 29th April,2017. 	
10.5	Carms CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advise that tenders in respect of the proposed new school at Gorslas Park have been issued on the 28th March with a closing date of 22nd May,2017 	
10.6	Roger Hurst	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following reports of cuts in funding of maintenance and provision of children's play equipment Mr Hurst invites members and the Council to sign an e petition proposing a levy on Professional Football Clubs so that some of their wealth can be used to provide play areas. • Link https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/185162 	
10.7	Welsh Govt News	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Government announce a £223 million-pound boost for rural communities to help in the post EU transition period. • Details http://gov.wales/topics/environmentcountryside/farmingandcountryside/cap/ruraldevelopment/wales-rural-development-programme-2014-2020/?lang=en 	
10.8	Welsh Govt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good Councillor Guide. • Copy available online at www.onevoicewales.org.uk or www.wales.gov.uk 	
10.9	Cefneithin Growing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request for consideration of financial assistance. 	

	Spaces Association	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The organisation which has successfully cleared waste ground at the rear of Y Fron and provided 10 raised beds and 6 garden sheds which are used by local residents and primary and secondary school pupils. 	
10.10	Mr Jason Perry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request from the occupier of 29 Heol Y Parc for permission to erect a fence on top of the boundary fence between the park and the residential property. Due to the soil structure, it is not possible to erect the posts within the boundary of the residential property. The existing park land is some 3 metres higher than the adjoining property and thus the erection of a fence will provide privacy for the property from users of the park and the pathway. 	
10.11	Mr Gareth Jones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request for information as to when the MUGA at Cefneithin will be open for use 	
10.12	Mr Clive Howells	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides a letter for information for the Council to advise that in relation to proposed developments at Bron Yr Ynn, Mr Howells has met with and discussed with the developer and planners a proposal to improve road safety by providing access to the proposed development by means of an access road through a filed adjoining the proposed development which is in the ownership of Mr Howells. 	
10.13	Welsh Govt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seeking applications for the position of Member for Victims and Survivors Consultative Panel. Details on website. Closing date 28th April,2017. 	
10.14	Carms County Council.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Freedom of Information Act. The Council has requested, and been provided with details, of the number of occasions during the 2016/17 year when there had been a recorded declaration of interest by a member and also how many members had attended training relating to the declaration of interests. 	

194.3 Resolved

- Following discussion, it was resolved as follows: -

Item Ref No	Resolved
10.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> That it be noted that Welsh Government were distributing copies direct of the Good Councillor guide to prospective Councillors.
10.10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> That subject to suitable measures and re-assurances to protect the Council's interests the request from Mr Perry be approved.
10.11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> That the Clerk respond to the enquiry from Mr Jones
10.12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> That the information provided by Mr Howells be received and noted. That the Chair and Cllr Clive Green had discussed and explained the procedures and practices relating to consideration of planning matters with Mr Howells.

10.13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That request for financial assistance not be reported at each meeting but retained and considered by the Council at its June and January meetings. • That applicants be advised of the procedure and the periods when the applications will be considered.
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195.0 Agenda Item 11 One Voice Wales.

195.1 March Newsletter

- Electronic copies of the March newsletter had been distributed by the Clerk.

195.2 Area Committee Meeting 5th April,2017.

- The Chair reported that he had attended the Area committee meeting held on Wednesday 5th April,2017.
- The meeting had been addressed by Dafydd Llwellyn who had indicated that his intention was to raise the profile of the police through community engagement.
- Consideration was therefore being given to the possibility of establishing regional meetings with an open invitation to Community Councils to attend.
- During a question and answer session the Commissioner had indicated that he was aware of the concerns expressed by the public in relation to the difficulties and complexity users were experiencing in reporting issues through the 101 system.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

196.0 Agenda Item 12 Planning Applications

196.1 Applications.

No /Ref	Description	Location	Applicant
E/32266	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full Planning. Proposed development of Phase 2 of the Cross Hands Economic Link Road between the East Strategic Employment Site and the A476 Llandeilo Rd with junctions to Black Lion Rd, Norton Rd and Llandeilo Road, associated drainage and landscaping works together with the demolition of 2 properties with associated garages at 99 and 101 Norton Rd, Penygroes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A corridor through pasture land from East Strategic Employment Site to Llandeilo Rd, crossing Black Lion Rd and Norton Road. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carmarthenshire County Council

W/35350	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full Planning – 2 no Detached bungalows 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land adjacent to Ty Penybanc, Black Lion Rd Gorslas SA14 6RU 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr K.P. Hughes, 11 Gate Rd, Penygroes • Agent AP Architecture and Planning Ltd, Penllergaer, Swansea
W/35374	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full Planning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Temporary change of use of storage of construction materials and equipment. • Land at Llys Y Parc, Heol Y Parc, Cefneithin 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NBA Developments. • Neil Atkins

• **Resolved:** -

- (i) That there were no observations or comments in relation to the applications scheduled other than
- (ii) Application W/35374 that the County Council be made aware of the Community Council's concerns relating to: -
 - The noise and nuisance for which would be generated by vehicles travelling to and from the site.
 - The mud and debris which would be left on the public carriageway by vehicles conveying waste and travelling to and from the site.
 - That there was monitoring of compliance with waste transfer regulations and certificates.

197.0 Item 13 Finance

197.1 Payments Made to Creditors March 2017

Paid To	Description	Amount £
Rodway	Public Convenience Contract – March	201.67
Spencer Environmental	Grounds Maint Contract February	795.48
TBM	Litter Feb / Park Repairs/ P Conv Cover	625.00
Menter Cwm Gwendraeth	Charges January/February	155.25
Bus Shelter Cleaner	Wages Qtr. 4	52.00
Clerk	Wages Qtr. 4	2,583.77
Dyfed Pensions	Employer/Employee Contribution Qtr. 4	1,413.27
Carms CC	Charges Public Utilities Gorslas P Convenience	342.91
Cllr W Edwards	Refund Travelling Exp Area Cttee	21.60
Cllr C Green	Refund Travelling Exp PACT/ Cross Hands Hall	37.80
Bowen and Weaving	Toilet Rolls/Cleaning Fluid	61.77
SWALEC	Electricity Charges Christmas Lights	25.83

197.2 Income March 2017.

Received from	Description	Amount £
N/A	N/A	N/A

198.0 Address by Chair Re Members Not Standing for Re Election

- The Chair addressed members and acknowledged that this was a meeting tinged with sadness as four colleague Councillors', Cllr Terry Davies, Ellis Davies, Huw Davies and Gavin Griffiths had decided not to seek re-election for a further term of office.
- To all intents and purposes this would be the last meeting which they would attend as members of the Community Council.
- The Chair wished to set on record the appreciation and gratitude of the Council and its members for the invaluable service which the retiring members had provided for their community and the residents which they had served and to which they had given freely of their time and energy over a considerable number of years.
- On behalf of the Community Council he wished them well for the future and thanked them for their assistance and help over the years.
- **Resolved:** Members were unanimous in their support for the sentiments expressed by the Chair.

199.0 Item 14 Date Next Meeting/ Dyddiad y Cyfarfod Nesaf.

- 8th May,2017 at Cefneithin CP School

200.0 Closure of Meeting

- The business of the meeting having been concluded the Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.50p.m.