

# CYNGOR CYMUNED GORSLAS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## Minutes of the meeting of the Gorslas Community Council held at Drefach Welfare Hall on Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2017, at 7.00p.m.

### 57.0 Agenda Item 1: Record of those Present/Apologies

- **Members:** Cllrs Wyn Edwards (Chair), Brian Kirby (Vice Chair), Nia Lewis, Tina Jukes, Clive Green, Anthony Rees, Aled Vaughan Owen, Simon Martin, Terry Jones, David Evans, Wynne Jones, Andrew King and Iestyn Llwyd.
- **Others:** Llew Thomas Clerk to the Council and Mr Hefin Jones, Translator.
- **Apologies for absence:** Cllrs Janice Price and Darren Price.

### 57.1 Welcome

- The Chair welcomed everyone and declared the meeting open at 7.00p.m.

### 58.0 Agenda Item 2 Declarations of Interest

- Cllr Aled Vaughan Owen, as a member of the Gorslas Welfare Association declared a personal but not prejudicial interest in item 62.2.

### 59.0 Agenda Item 3. Exclusion of Press and Public.

- **Resolved:** That it was not necessary to exclude members of the press and public.

### 60.0 Agenda Item 4 Consider the Minutes of the Meetings of the Meetings held on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> June,2017.

- Members proceeded, under the direction of the Chair, to examine and consider separately each page of the minutes for both meetings.
- It was proposed by Cllr Simon Martin and seconded by Cllr C Green that the minutes of the meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> June,2017, were correct.
- It was proposed by Cllr Simon Martin and seconded by Cllr A King, that the minutes of the meeting held on the 26<sup>th</sup> June,2017, were correct.
- **Resolved:** That the minutes of both meetings be approved and confirmed as an accurate reflection and record of the discussions and decisions made.

### 61.0. Agenda Item 5. Matters Arising from the Minutes.

#### 61.1 Meeting 12<sup>th</sup> June,2017.

#### 61.2 Membership Sub Committee.

- The Council had resolved that in addition to the three full members to assist individuals gain experience three additional members be invited to attend the meetings as observers. Accordingly, they would not have voting rights.

- **Resolved:**
  - (i) That full membership, including voting rights, of the Sub Committee comprise of the current Chair, the current Vice Chair and the immediate past Chair.
  - (ii) Given that the immediate past Chair was no longer a member of the Council it was decided that Cllr Darren Price be appointed to the position.
  - (iii) Cllrs Terry Jones, Iestyn Llwyd and Tina Jukes be appointed to serve in the capacity of observer members.

### 61.3 Cefneithin Park – Hall Lease.

- A copy of the first draft has been received by the Clerk and is being reviewed.
- To progress matters the solicitor will need guidance on
  - (i) the period of the lease,
  - (ii) the annual charge and any review dates for the rental,
  - (iii) Whether one yearly payment or two six monthly payments are required.
  - (iv) Any specific conditions which are to be imposed.
- **Resolved:** To consider at a future meeting the information required.

### 61.4 Cefneithin Future Schemes - Benches.

- An order was placed on the 13th June,2017 for the benches and picnic tables.
- **Resolved:** To receive, note and approve the actions taken.

### 61.5 Gorslas Park. Titan Swing and Gyro Rotator.

- Following receipt of the levels report a meeting was held with the contractor on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June,2017.
- There was mutual agreement to reprofile the batter surrounding the Gyro Rotator.
- Discussions took place with the contractor relating to the findings of a levels survey of the safety surface of the Gyro Rotator.
- The contractor indicated that since being notified of the issue he had arranged an inspection of the safety surface which advised that the finish was within tolerances.
- Following further discussions, it was agreed to ask a suitable qualified individual within the County Council be engaged to examine the surface.
- The request has been referred to the County Council. As an initial step, they have requested a copy of the report commissioned by the contractor.
- The request has been relayed to the contractor.
- **Resolved:** To receive, note and approve the actions taken.

### 61.6 Operational Issues Public Convenience Gorslas

- Following the previous meeting Cllr Janice Price had kindly contacted the local shop who advised that they did not have keys to the public convenience.
- The Clerk advised that having visited the park on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June,2017, he had spoken to the contractor regarding the considerable number of reports which had been received of the toilets being locked during the daytime.
- The contractor indicated that on a number of occasions he had opened the toilets and returned to find them locked and vice versa.

- The contractor again asked if anyone else had keys and also indicated that groups of youngsters gathered around the toilet area and had on occasions used a device on the door lock to either lock or open the toilet doors.
- The Clerk advised the issue of individuals having keys would be followed up and that the maintenance contractor would test the lock. The maintenance contractor had since undertaken the test but could not find a fault.
- Members were also advised that further complaints had been received relating to the toilets Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June, Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> , Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July,2017.
- An explanation has been sought from the contractor.
- **Resolved:**
  - (i) That having regard to the number of allegations of operational failure being raised that in the interests of fairness a rota of members would monitor the position on a daily basis for the next month.
  - (ii) That the operational arrangements for the toilet facilities be included within the review of the current arrangements relating to the Council's assets.

#### **61.7 Gorslas Public Convenience – Store Room Doors**

- The Clerk met the contractor on site on Tuesday 20th June,2017, for a final measurement check prior to manufacturing.
- **Resolved:** To receive, note and approve the actions taken.

#### **61.8 Cefneithin Park MUGA Signage**

- It was reported by the Clerk that the Council was awaiting information.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

#### **61.9 Declaration of Members Interests**

- Declarations of interests had been received from the newly co-opted members.
- Members were reminded of the need to return the forms even where there were no interests to declare.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

#### **61.10 Finance. Authorised Signatories**

- The bank have now confirmed the change in signatories
- **Resolved:** To receive and not the information provided.

#### **61.11 Members Code of Conduct - Dispensation for Members**

- The County Council has confirmed that dispensation has been granted for existing members of the Welfare Associations to speak and vote in relation to matters relating to the three parks.
- The County Council has also written to confirm that dispensation has been granted for Cllrs Simon Martin, Darren Price, Nia Lewis, Aled Vaughan Owen and Janice Price to speak and vote at meetings of the Community Council in relation to matters relating to the schools of which they are Governors.
- Dispensation applications would be required should any or all of the new members join one of the local Welfare Associations.

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

#### **61.12 Identity Cards**

- A cost of £70.00 has been received for 20 PVC Business Cards, photos and laminated and an additional 20 blank cards – without names etc.
- There would be a charge of £20 per half hour to digitalise the Council's logo which would enable it to be used on letters, posters etc should the need arise in the future.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

#### **61.13 Cefneithin and Gorslas Parks.**

- The relevant Welfare organisations had been informed that their requests to use the parks for special events had been approved by the Council.

#### **61.14 Gorslas Park – Car Parking Issues**

- A Communication has been received from a resident of Cwm- Mwyn complaining that the car park gates are not being shut at 8.00 p.m. in the evening.
- As a consequence, young people sit in parked vehicles in the car park late at night creating noise which is causing an annoyance and disturbance for the residents.
- The resident has referred the matter to the Police on several occasions but no action has been taken.
- The individual advises that as he knows the code for the gate lock and has, on occasions, locked the gates at weekends. He feels that if someone is being paid to lock up they should do so.
- The contractor has been advised of the official opening and closing times are 8.00 a.m. to 8.15p.m. for the car park gates. The gates are not to be closed if there is a vehicle in the car park at closing time.
- The Clerk has advised the resident of the arrangements outlined above. They were also advised they should desist from opening and closing the gates themselves due to safety issues as well as the legal and financial obligations which they could incur.
- A further incident of nuisance due to non-closure of the gates was reported on the 4<sup>th</sup> July,2017.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the actions taken.

#### **61.15 Gorslas Park – Access for Maintenance of Church Wall.**

- The Church have been advised of the approval and the associated conditions.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

#### **61.16 Defibrillators**

- A reminder has been sent to CARIAD seeking clarification on the current position
- It is understood that the Cefneithin and Foelgastell Welfare Group have been successful in obtaining a defibrillator for the village Hall.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

#### **61.17 Cefneithin Park – Car Park Weeds/ Vehicular Exit Visibility**

- The weeds have been treated with a further treatment coming shortly.
- The cost of reducing the wall, attending to the gate and fixings as well as making good would be £1,900.00.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

#### **61.18 Cefneithin – Concerns Roaming Wildlife**

- The concerns have been raised and forwarded to the County Council.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

#### **61.19 Gorslas Filling Station – Licence Application to Sell Alcohol 24 hrs**

- As a result of an error in process the consultation period has re-commenced. The Community Council's observations have therefore been re-submitted.
- The County Council have since enquired as to whether or not the Community Council would wish to attend a mediation meeting to discuss the matter.
- **Resolved:** That the written objections recorded the objections accurately and were deemed sufficient.

#### **61.20 Gorslas Toilets – Incident of Graffiti/Vandalism.**

- The contractor has removed the graffiti.
- It was noted that the ceilings in the cubicles showed signs of mold, there was a need to attend to the damp proofing of one wall and that the units had not been decorated for some time. Two units have paneling and thus only require a small amount of wall painting.
- Views are sought on whether or not the Council wishes to clean and remove the mold, treat the damp and also decorate the internal walls.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

#### **61.21 PACT – Letter to Chief Constable**

- A letter conveying the Council's concerns had been sent to the Chief Constable.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

#### **61.22 Financial Assistance**

- Members were advised that cheques had been issued to the relevant organizations in accordance with the decision of Council.
- **Resolved:** To receive, note and approve the actions taken.

#### **61.23 Meeting 26<sup>th</sup> June,2017, Gorslas Park – Land Valuation**

- At the meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup> June,2017, members were advised that the County Council would be instructing the District Valuer to value the land in question.
- As the District Valuer is independent of either party members resolved that it was not necessary for the Community Council to obtain a separate valuation.

#### **61.24 Meeting 26<sup>th</sup> June,2017, Cefneithin Park Anti-Social Behaviour/ Damage to Neighbouring Property.**

- As agreed at the meeting the Clerk has written to the residents who lodged the complaints advising them of the current position and the steps they should take should there be a re-occurrence.
- A further communication has been received from one of original correspondents indicating that their concern did not relate to anti-social behaviour rather to damage to property i.e. the residents fence which children climb to retrieve balls.
- It is maintained that the damage relates to the position of the multi play area, the height of the fencing, and the existence of an earth bank on the park side which is used to gain access.

- Whilst the option of referring the matters to the police is appreciated the resident is of the view that they have more important work to do.
- The householder is happy to discuss the matter if the Council have any questions.
- **Resolved:** That the Cefneithin Ward members and Clerk meet with the householder as soon as possible.

## 62.0 Agenda Item 6 New Matters Parks and General

### 62.1 Gorslas Park.

- The Clerk has contacted the company which undertook the annual external inspection of the park in relation to assessing the lifespan of current equipment and also a planned replacement programme.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

### 62.2 Gorslas Park. Welfare Association – Lawnmower Race at Carnival Event.

- Cllr Aled Vaughan Owen declared an interest in the issue due to his membership of the Gorslas Welfare Association.
- Dispensation had been granted by the County Council in relation in respect of Cllr Owen's membership of the Welfare Association.
- The association has requested permission to include a timed ride on lawnmower race event at this year's carnival and requested a response by the 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2017.
- The Clerk relayed the nature of the event and also the advice received from the British Lawnmower Racing Association in relation to such events.
- Two proposals were put forward by members.
  - (iii) That permission be granted subject to the association confirming compliance with the necessary safety requirements and
  - (iv) That, on this occasion, permission not be granted due to the timescale and the onerous safety requirements
- **Resolved:** That on this occasion permission be not granted.

### 62.3 Drefach Park – Multi Age Play Equipment

- It was reported that unfortunately, the contractor undertaking the work had advised that due to an accident during which he sustained an injury, there will be a delay in re-commissioning the item.
- The Clerk will monitor the position on an ongoing basis.
- **Resolved:** To receive, note and approve the actions taken

## 63.0 Agenda Item 7 Urgent Local Matters

### 63.1 Drefach Square – Grass Cutting

- It was reported that during the cutting of verges an area near the junction of Heol Cwmmawr and Heol Caegwyn had been missed and was badly overgrown.
- The matter has been reported to the County Council who have acknowledged receipt and given instruction for the work to be undertaken.

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

### 63.2 Maesybont School.

- Enquiries were received in relation to whether or not the County Council were undertaking a process for the closure of the school.
- The Education Department advise that there was no formal decision to commence discussions on the closure of the school. Maintenance issues relating to the building would necessitate the pupils vacating the school for a period.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

### 63.3 Carms CC Works Junction Heol Cwmmawr/ Heol Cwmbach

- A request for an update in relation to progress on the works has been sought.
- Cllr Clive Green indicated that he was aware that the officer dealing with the matter was currently on an extended period of special leave.
- **Resolved:** That, having regard to the circumstances, the matter not be pursued.

### 63.4 Rhosybonwen – Wayside Seat

- It was reported that following the erection of a fence in close proximity to a wayside seat an enquiry was received relating to ownership of the land.
- The Land Registry details confirm that the land upon which the seat is located is in private ownership.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

### 63.5 Drefach. Noticeboard Lay- by Old Ysgol Y Gwendraeth

- In response to a question the Clerk advised that a response had not been received from the County Council in respect of the possible acquisition of the noticeboard.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

### 63.6 Foelgastell Footpath FP 31-6 Glynderi - Foelgastell.

- The Clerk advised that the issue had been raised back in February staffing reductions meant that the department had been unable to provide a response.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

### 63.7 Cefneithin. Heol Yr Ysgol Pavement Parking

- It was reported that a caravan was being parked across the pavement outside no 57 Heol Yr Ysgol.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

### 63.8 Gorslas. Brynlluan

- The Clerk was advised that the pavement outside was blocked by private benches / flower baskets. The matter had been reported to the County Council.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

## 64.0 Agenda Item 8.0 Members Reports Outside Organisations.

### 64.1 Canolfan Carwyn

- It was reported that the meeting convened for Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July had been cancelled.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

### 64.2 Update by County Council Members

- Cllr Aled Vaughan Owen advised members as follows: -
  - There had not been a meeting of the County Council in June.
  - A favourable report had been received by the County Council in relation to an audit of Integrated Care.
  - The number of over 85's in Carmarthenshire was growing at 3% per year.
  - There had been a decrease in the delayed patient transfer figures for the County.
  - Park Y Gelli Foelgastell. Discussions were underway regarding the adoption of the estate road following the developer being declared bankrupt.
  - A review of school catchment areas was being sought in relation to the area near the Gwernllwyn with a view to its inclusion in the Ysgol Bro Dinefwr area.
  - Cllr Owen had attended a joint County Council / Police event.
  - Cllr Owen had also attended the Ffair Haf event at Drefach CP School.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

### 64.3 Gwendraeth Group of Councils – Meeting Llanddarog 27/06/17

- Cllrs Clive Green and Brian Kirby attended the meeting.
- First Responders had given an excellent presentation indicated that they provided two training sessions a year for anyone who became a first responder.  
**Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

### 64.4 Ffair Haf Drefach C.P. School

- Cllr Green advised he had attended the event which raised £1,300 for the school.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

## 65.0 Agenda Item 9 PACT Meeting Held in Cross Hands Hall on the 2<sup>nd</sup> June,2017.

### 65.1 Report

- PCSO Jonathan Crayford. Cllrs C Green, Brian Kirby and Terry Jones were in attendance together with 16 members of the public.
- Due to a force- wide revision of the Crime Management System information or data relating to crimes in the area was not available.
- It was reported that Chris Neve would be taking over as sergeant at Cross Hands.
- Llandybie Community Council advised that the Police and Crime Commissioner was attending the September meeting of the Council.
- Feedback indicated that a Cuppa with Copper event had been held at the Fish and Chip Shop in Tumble. However, no members of the public had attended the event.



- The Police indicated that they were aware of a group of three young people who were causing difficulties in the area and they were monitoring matters closely.
- Cllr Green also handed out a poster to members prepared by the Police and which was intended to prompt the reporting of incidents to the Police.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

## 65.2 Letter to Chief Constable

- As agreed at the last meeting Cllr Green read out a letter which he had kindly prepared on behalf of the Council in relation to issues relating to data management as well as broader concerns relating to PACT.
- The Police had confirmed at meeting that the Council's letter had been received. .
- **Resolved:** To receive, note and approve the actions taken.

## 66.0 Agenda Item 10.0 Correspondence.

### 66.1 General Correspondence

No	From	Subject	Notes
66.2	Llangollen Eisteddfod	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Letter of thanks for donation</li> </ul>	
66.3	Tabernacle Cefneithin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Letter of thanks for donation</li> </ul>	
66.4	Cefneithin Growing Spaces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Letter of thanks for donation</li> </ul>	
66.5	Eglwys Llanlluan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Letter of thanks for donation.</li> </ul>	
66.6	Capel Seion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Letter of thanks for donation</li> </ul>	
66.7	Capel Tabor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Letter of thanks for donation</li> </ul>	
66.8	Capel Peniel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Letter of thanks for the donation</li> </ul>	
66.9	Dyfed Powys Police	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Request to address Council re Number Plate Recognition Reader set up in the area.</li> </ul>	
66.10	Carms CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safety Alert Working at Height.</li> <li>• An advisory note on Management and Control procedures has been issued following recommendations by Health and Safety Authorities.</li> <li>• The note relates to an incident of an experienced teacher suffering severe injuries after falling from a stage into the orchestra pit.</li> <li>• The note requires schools and other organisations to assess fall risks from stages and to ensure that stage edges are clearly marked and identified.</li> <li>• It also requires an assessment to be made of any equipment which could fall on individuals whilst on stage/ in the orchestra pit or in the vicinity.</li> </ul>	

66.11	Welsh Govt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invitation to attend a workshop in Swansea on the 19<sup>th</sup> July on the preparation on the approach to future public consultation in relation to the disposal of radioactive waste from electricity generation.</li> </ul>	
66.12	Mathews Shredding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advise they are able to offer a secure shredding service for Authorities in South Wales.</li> </ul>	
66.13	Carms CC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invitation to send representatives to an Ideas Exchange meeting with the Public Service Board with ideas feeding in to the May 2018 PSB Wellbeing Plan.</li> <li>• The workshops take place between 1.30 and 4.30 pm on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July at Dinefwr Bowls Club, Ammanford and Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July,2017 at St Peters Civic Hall Carmarthen.</li> </ul>	See 66.24
66.14	Welsh Govt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advise of funding available to support sustainable land management to groups supporting improve the use of Natural Resources, reduce greenhouse gases, improve community and business resilience to climate change.</li> </ul>	
66.15	Heritage Lottery Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grants between £ 100,000 and £500,00 are available for schemes to pilot new ways of collaborating and to promote the use of culture and heritage as driving forces to help make places even better.</li> </ul>	
66.16	Carms C.C.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advise that they are introducing an order to prohibit parking at various locations in Kidwelly, Penygroes and Efailwen.</li> <li>• Details are available at Council Offices.</li> </ul>	
66.17	Gorslas Church	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invitation for the Chair to attend a re-dedication service for the Gwendraeth School War Memorial 10<sup>th</sup> September,2017.</li> </ul>	
66.18	Local Govt Data Unit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Request to remind those who stood as candidates for Community and County Councils of the need to complete an online survey for research purposes. The survey can be accessed at <a href="http://www.election.cymru/carmarthenshire">http://www.election.cymru/carmarthenshire</a></li> </ul>	
66.19	Home Start	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advise that Home Start Dinefwr and Carmarthen/Llanelli are merging.</li> <li>• Provide a questionnaire on how their services could help families in the area to assist their applications for lottery funding.</li> </ul>	
66.20	Keep Wales Tidy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Woodland Trust are offering hedgerow planting kits for groups working with the organisation in relation to Tidy Towns /KWT tree projects</li> </ul>	
66.21	Dewis Cymru	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Is establishing an online health and wellbeing directory.</li> <li>• Any services which the Council provides for wellbeing can be included in the directory.</li> </ul>	
66.22	Gorslas School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tarring of Black Lion Road for next few days.</li> </ul>	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parents will park in the Gorslas Park Car Park</li> </ul>	
66.23	Cefneithin and Foelgastell Welfare Association	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invitation to Chair to open the Parti Cornel Carwyn on the 12<sup>th</sup> August,2017</li> <li>• That consideration be given to including the official opening of the MUGA on the same day</li> </ul>	See 66.24

**66.24 Resolved:**

- (i) To receive and note the information provided.
- (ii) Item 66.13. Cllr Aled Vaughan Owen represent the Council at the meeting.
- (iii) Item 66.23. That the offer be accepted and that there be an official opening of the MUGA with Terry Davies being invited to attend as a guest of the Council.

**67.0 Agenda Item 11 One Voice Wales.**

**67.1 Annual Carmarthen Area Meeting.**

- The Chair advised that due to another commitment which came up at short notice it had not been possible to attend the Carmarthen area meeting.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

**67.2 June Newsletter**

- A copy of the latest newsletter has been circulated electronically to members however a hard copy is available upon request to the Clerk.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

**67.3 One Voice Wales Conference and Annual General Meeting 30/09/17**

- One Voice Wales write to invite the Council to send a representative to the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Association at the Builth Wells showground on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September,2017.
- The speaker will be Mark Drakeford who will provide an update on local government reform.
- **Resolved:** Cllr Wyn Edwards attend the conference as the Council's representative.

**67.4 One Voice Wales Dates for future Area Committee Meetings 2017-18**

- Advise that the future meeting dates are as follows: -
  - (i) Wednesday 4th October,2017
  - (ii) Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February,2018.
  - (iii) Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> April,2018.
  - (iv) Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June,2018.

## 68.0 Agenda Item 12 Planning Matters

### 68.1 Planning Applications.

No /Ref	Description	Location	Applicant
W/35727	Outline. Re-submission of proposed Rural Enterprise Dwelling.	Tir Bont Farm Foelgastell SA14 7HL	M4 Trailers – Mr Phil Rees
W/35759	Single Detached Residential Dwelling	Plot adjacent Bryneglur. Heol Y Foel, Foelgastell	Sharon Price, 29 Bolgoed Rd, Pontardulais, Swansea. Agent; Davies Richards Design Ltd. 42 Rhosmaen Street, Llandeilo

- **Resolved:** That there were no objections or observations to be submitted in respect of the above.

## 69.0 Agenda Item 13 Finance

### 69.1 Attendance

- Cllr Tina Jukes had to leave the meeting at this point due to another engagement and left at 8.30 p.m.

### 69.2 Policy on Financial Assistance Report Cllrs Clive Green/ Aled Vaughan Owen.

- Councillors Clive Green and Aled Vaughan Owen presented an overview of their work in creating a policy and Application Form in respect of the above.
- The proposed policy would relate to: -

Scope – Financial support for: -

- Local voluntary and charitable organisations,
- Local burial grounds, and
- Christmas in the three wards.

Process- Consideration of Applications.

- As from the 2018/19 financial year applications for financial assistance would be considered at the June meeting of the Council.
- Recipients to attend the July meeting to receive cheques and to allow for publicity photographs to be taken for use on the Council's website and Facebook pages thus raising the profile of the Council.

Approach to making Awards - Amounts

- To help progress the review guidance was sought as to whether the Council would wish to adopt a policy of making small donations to many organisations or larger donations to fewer organisations.

Update

- It was the intention that the final report be presented to the Council at either the September or October meeting.

- **Resolved:**
  - (i) Scope. To accept the recommendation relating to areas covered by the review.
  - (ii) Process- Consideration of Applications. To accept the proposals as outlined.
  - (iii) Approach to making awards. That the Council adopt the approach of providing small donations to many organisations.
  - (iv) Application Form. That, in view of the amounts involved and to assist and encourage smaller organisations to apply that the application form be straightforward and easy to complete.

### 69.3 Dyfed Pension Fund

- Following a valuation of the fund the County Council advise that the following rates will apply to contributions to the fund in the relevant financial year.

	Current	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
Contribution Rate	27.7%	24%	24%	24%
PSD- Lump Sum Per Annum	£ 700	£1,400	£1,400	£1,400

\*PSD refers to Past Service Deficit

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

### 69.4 Payments Made to Creditors June 2017

Paid To	Description	Amount £
Rodway	Toilet Cleaning Contract June	201.67
Spencer Environmental	Grass Cutting June	1,476.07
Royal Welsh Agricultural Soc	Donation	100.00
Llangollen Eisteddfod	Donation	100.00
Cross Hands District Bowls	Donation	50.00
Cefneithin Growing Spaces	Donation	50.00
Curiad Y Cwm	Donation	50.00
Capel Seion	Donation Graveyard Upkeep	250.00
Eglwys Gorslas	Donation Graveyard Upkeep	250.00
Capel Tabor	Donations Graveyard Upkeep	125.00
Capel Llanlluan	Donations Graveyard Upkeep	250.00
Capel Tabernacle	Donations Graveyard Upkeep	250.00
Capel Peniel	Donations Graveyard Upkeep	250.00
Bowen and Weaving	Supplies Gorslas Public Convenience	21.00
Menter Cwm Gwendraeth	Charges Translation April/May/ June x2	369.75

### 69.5 Income June 2017.

Received from	Description	Amount £
Nil	Nil	

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

**69.6 Budget Report Revenue Budget 2017/18**

- The Clerk presented an analysis for members by budget heading of the spend for the first quarter and an estimate of the spend for the remainder of the year.
- The statement indicated that the position showed a likely overspend however there were a number of items in the forecast which were the subject of ongoing negotiations which would help address the issue.
- The position would be monitored on a monthly basis and a further report provided for the November meeting.

Summary	Budget	Est Outturn
Total Income	81,220.00	81,296.67
Total Expenditure	86,805.00	82,950.36
Excess Expenditure		1,653.69

**70.0 Website**

- There was a recognition that there was need to update the information on the Community Council’s website.
- Members, and new members in particular, were asked to take the opportunity to examine and review the content over the summer period.
- **Resolved:** To receive and note the information provided.

**71.0 Sub Committee- Delegation of Powers**

- Members noted that, as there was no meeting of the Council during the summer, there was a need to make suitable arrangements to ensure business continuity.
- **Resolved:** To authorise the Sub Committee to consider and decide upon any urgent matter of business during that period.

**72.0 Agenda Item 14 Date Next Meeting**

- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September,2017, at Cefneithin C.P. School.

**73.0 Closure of Meeting**

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