

CYNGOR CYMUNED GORSLAS COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of the meeting of the Gorslas Community Council held at the Drefach Welfare Hall
on Thursday 18th July, 2019, at 7.00 p.m.

53.0 Agenda Item 1: Record of those Present/Apologies

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

53.1. Chair for the Meeting.

- Cllr Iestyn Llwyd explained that Cllr Jukes hoped to be able to join the meeting work commitments meant that there could be no certainty regarding timing.
- Accordingly, Cllr Llwyd chaired the meeting which was declared open at 7.00p.m.

54.0 Agenda Item 2 Declaration of Interest

- Declarations of a personal, but not prejudicial interest, were declared by Cllrs Darren Price and Aled Vaughan Owen, as elected members of the body seeking to purchase the land.
- The Clerk advised dispensations had been applied from the monitoring officer permitting the Councillors to take part in discussions regarding the new school.
- Cllr Janice Price, as a Governor of Gorslas Primary School, declared a personal but not prejudicial interest, in the agenda item relating to the proposed new school at Gorslas Park.
- Cllrs Wyn Edwards and Linda Williams declared a personal but not prejudicial interest in relation to the prospective sale of the land at Gorslas Park due to the fact they were employed by the body seeking to purchase the land.
- Cllrs Aled Vaughan Owen and Andrew King advised that they would be likely to be members of the Gorslas C.P. School in September, 2019, and thus could have a personal but not prejudicial interest.
- **Resolved:** To note and record the declaration of interest.

55.0 Agenda Item 4. To consider and decide whether or not to provide land at Gorslas Park for the purposes of building a new Primary School.

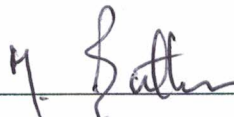
55.1 Background

- A brief summary was provided by the Chair of the history and background regarding the request for the provision of land which was first considered by the Community Council in September, 2016.
- The Community Council wished to convey its thanks to the Sub Committee members and Clerk who had worked hard over the three-year period to finalise terms for any prospective transfer of the land.

55.2 Considering the Proposal

- Whichever decision was reached the meeting would be a significant and historic one for the village and residents of Gorslas.

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- It was therefore vitally important that members had the relevant information upon which to make an informed decision and raised any concerns or matters they were uncertain about before making a final decision.
- The Chair confirmed with members that they had received the documentation for the meeting.
- Members then considered and discussed in detail each of the following documents: -
 - (i) Report by the Independent Valuer on the value of the land.
 - (ii) Terms for the Transfer of land.
 - (iii) Terms regarding the Licence to Occupy Agreement.
 - (iv) Draft Terms for a Management Agreement relating to Use of MUGA/Grassed sports area.
 - (v) Consideration of Disposal of Land Document.
- Members were also provided with details of concerns or issues raised by those Cllrs who had advised, in advance, that they would not be able to attend the meeting.

55.3 Decision.

- Before proceeding to decide upon the matter the Chair asked members if there were any further questions or matters upon which they required clarification or further information.
- There being no such concerns or issues raised the Council was in a position to proceed to determine the matter.
- It was proposed by Cllr Aled Vaughan Owen and seconded by Cllr Simon Martin that: -
 - (i) The Community Council proceed to dispose of the land on the basis of the terms agreed between the Sub Committee and the County Council and as detailed in the Land Transfer and Licence to Occupy documentation provided for the meeting. The main features of the agreement included: -
 - a) The land be provided free for the purposes of building a new school.
 - b) The land would revert to the Community Council should it cease to be used as a school or the other purposes outlined in the agreement.
 - c) There would be free Access for the community to the MUGA and Grassed Sports area outside of school hours and as per management agreement.
 - d) The County Council would provide a sum of £13,400 towards the cost of future maintenance of the park car park
- An amendment was proposed by Cllr Wyn Edwards and seconded by Cllr Terry Jones that the sum of £13,400 stated in d) above be amended to £ 26,550.
- It was also proposed by Cllr Terry Jones and seconded by Cllr Wyn Edwards and agreed by all that there would be a recorded vote on the matter.

55.4 Recorded Vote:

a) For the Proposal

- Cllrs Aled Vaughan Owen, Linda Williams, Janice Price, Simon Martin, Darren Price and Andrew King.

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b) For the Amendment.

- Cllrs: Wyn Edwards and Terry Jones.

c) Abstentions

- Cllrs Anthony Rees and Iestyn Llwyd.

55.5 Resolved:

- (i) That the proposal be adopted and the land disposed of accordingly.
- (ii) The County Council advised of the decision.
- (iii) The External Auditor be advised of the decision.
- (iv) It was not necessary to inform the Welsh Government of the decision.
- (v) That a meeting be arranged with the contractor asap and that representatives from the Governing Body and Welfare Association be invited to the meeting.
- (vi) That a draft press release be prepared to be agreed by Chair/Vice and circulated to members.
- (vii) The Clerk be authorised to make any operational changes to contracts etc arising out of the transfer of the land.

55.6 Next Meeting.

- Gorslas C.P. School 9th September, 2019.
- There being no further items of business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.

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