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YNYSYBWL & COED-Y-CWM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES of the MONTHLY meeting of the Ynysybwl & Coed-y-Cwm Community Council Held At

YNYSYBWL COMMUNITY CENTRE on Tuesday 4th July 2023

at 6.45pm

Acting Clerk.....

PRESENT:- Councillors Mrs A Ellis, Mrs C Banwell, Mrs P Evans, Mrs E Leach, Messrs RC Evans, C Jones, G Haines, R Davies

1. DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL INTEREST

None

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Mrs M Jones (due to illness)

3. PUBLIC BREAK

There was no public break.

4. POLICE

Liam Jones, our new PCSO, attended the meeting to introduce himself to members and discuss the police report. He informed members that some items are reported to the Community Wardens but not to the PCSO so may not appear on his report. The report contained mostly petty crime and it was observed that the crime rate in the community is fairly low.

It was asked if there was a possibility of the PCSO coming to talk to youngsters regarding anti-social behaviour and to walk through the village in the evenings as members were concerned that there may be incidents of ASB during the school holidays. The PCSO commented that it is not always youngsters who are responsible for ASB which was accepted.

It was pointed out that the Community Wardens are not in the village enough and the Chair stated that she and Cllr P Evans, as Borough Councillors, can request more of a presence. The PCSO is also covering Glyncoch and cannot justify spending time in Ynysybwl when there are very few ASB incidents and the crime rate is low, but will spend as much time here as he is able.

Cllr C Jones stated that the lorries going to Craig yr Hesg quarry are having an impact on residents of our community as they are driving there prior to the allotted start time of 7am and asked if the PCSO could liaise with the council to check this. Unfortunately, community police do not start until 8am so the PCSO would not be able to check this in person

Cllr Haines had reported an off road bike and was told that someone would contact him but this has not been the case. He was told to report to Go Safe but was unable to do this as the bike did not have a registration. It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Haines would send the information to the PCSO, who reminded members that the police monitor off road biking once a month.

Cllr C Jones told members that there have been issues with youngsters trying to access the power station behind the Co-op. The PCSO emphasised that incidents must be reported via 101, either by phone or online.

The PCSO enquired as to any events in the community where he can introduce himself and speak with locals. Cllr Leach mentioned Butchers Pool which will have several events over the summer holidays. It was **RESOLVED** to contact the PCSO to let him know of any upcoming events.

5. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- 5.1 It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the meeting on 6th June and the minutes of the EGM held on 20th June.

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- 6.1 Cllr RC Evans wished to discuss a matter that was deemed confidential and members of the public were asked to leave the room during this time.

- 6.2 To receive the report from the Enforcement Officer

Report noted, currently there are a number of issues being investigated. Council will be updated with further information once enquiries are completed. It was **RESOLVED** to accept the Enforcement Officer report.

7. CHAIRPERSONS REPORT

- 7.1 The Chair has been in discussions with RCTCBC regarding the Community Centre. It is very likely that RCTCBC will take back management of the Centre, therefore negating the need for a management committee, but will work in partnership with the Community Council. Without this partnership, the Centre would undoubtedly close. The authority will be responsible for maintenance while the Community Council would be responsible for community use. This will incur no cost to the Community Council. RCTCBC have agreed to a refurbishment and will close for a few weeks while this is undertaken. They have also agreed to fund 50% of the cost of building store-cupboards.

It was proposed that a sub-committee from the Community Council be set up to monitor activity at the Centre and that the new Clerk holds a key. The Chair will speak to the current volunteers to keep them informed of the situation. It was emphasised that once the refurbishments have been completed, the Centre will continue to run as normal. Cllr Davies warned that when the news is published on social media, we ensure this is seen as a relaunch and not a closure.

8. CLERK'S REPORT

- 8.1 Upcoming Clerk's role – The HR committee agreed to interview all 3 applicants, hopefully on Monday 10th July.
- 8.2 Standing Orders – everyone has read the Standing Orders. Cllr RC Evans requested that no alcohol be written into the item regarding location of meetings. It was **RESOLVED** to adopt the Standing Orders.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

- 9.1 RCTCBC – Christmas lighting agreements/arrangements 2023. Noted. More Christmas lights need to be purchased for Coed y Cwm. It was **RESOLVED** to contact Anthony Gough at Centregreat.
- 9.2 RCTCBC – Regarding the 20mph default speed limit due in September 2023. The 20mph speed limit will commence in September. There have been objections which have been discussed in the Senedd but the restrictions will go ahead. It was felt that this speed limit would cause lots of problems, especially at the lower end of the village where the speed will change from 50mph to 20mph.
- 9.3 RCTCBC Safe Routes in Communities Scheme – the Community Council have applied several times but have always been turned down as the back lanes have not been adopted.
- 9.4 One Voice Wales – Audit process for the 2022/23 audit of accounts. Noted.
- 9.5 One Voice Wales - Tackling smoking litter. Each ballot bin costs £355 plus VAT and delivery. Cllr Haines commented that people are not interested in using cigarette bins. Cllr Leach suggested comparing prices and perhaps erecting a few in the village and making people aware of the damage to the environment. Cllr RC Evans informed members that RCTCBC used to give out 'envelopes' that were biodegradable and could be used to dispose of cigarette butts. Cllr C Jones moved to purchase the

bins and put them in commercial areas such as outside pubs/clubs. Cllr Haines disagreed and thought it better to ask the commercial premises to purchase their own. He also asked that we put No Smoking signs on bus shelters that we own. It was **RESOLVED** to defer this matter to the September meeting and the Chair will look into procuring the cigarette envelopes.

- 9.6 LRM Planning – Pre application notice for land at Ffordd y Bedol, Coed y Cwm. Cllrs Ellis and P Evans are meeting with residents on Thursday 6th July.
- 9.7 WAG – Wales Consultation on Public Procurement Secondary Legislation: Part 1. Noted
- 9.8 One Voice Wales – Consultation on extending the term of office for the Older People’s Commissioner for Wales from 4 to 7 years. Noted
- 9.9 WAG – Infrastructure Wales Bill 2023. Noted
- 9.10 Email from Lynda Davies, YEP, requesting further funding of £500 for the Gwyl. It was thought that YEP were requesting a further £500 for the Gwyl. It appears that this amount was suggested to Lynda Davies, Treasurer of YEP, by the previous Clerk. The actual amount they need is £28.50. It was **RESOLVED** to pay the £28.50.

10. TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Planning Application 22/0947/10

Land opposite 1, Glanffrwd Terrace, Ynysybwll. Proposed new dwelling.

Members forwarded any objections or observations to RCTCBC

Planning Application 23/0655/10

45 Church Street, Ynysybwll. Build garage at lane level 4ft lower than garden level.

No objections

11. TO RECEIVE THE REPORT FROM COUNCILLORS A ELLIS & P EVANS

- 11.1 There will be a temporary 30mph speed limit on Ynysybwll Road while the retaining walls are repaired. There will be traffic lights during this time. It is hoped that once the work is completed, the new bollards will be installed.
- 11.2 The work on the White Bridge is still ongoing, it is likely that this will continue until Spring 2024.
- 11.3 There have been several cases of fly tipping, problems with drains, and bins. The next black bag collection will be 17th July. We have received complaints about youngsters climbing on the new changing rooms in the Rec. Cllr Banwell informed members that a fence has now been erected around them to prevent this from happening.

12. ACCOUNTS

- 12.1 It was **RESOLVED** to accept the accounts for payment.

PC Insurance (Coverplan)	12.3
EE	9.82
Balloon Bliss	55
Laser Fire & Security	396
Cllr P Evans (Bwl Baby Bank)	711.24
MST Sports Ltd (Karate Club Mats)	1000
Planning Aid Wales	38.5
Newstream	200
AED Donate (defib pads)	225.41

AB & RL Edwards (CyC Christmas tree

200
2848.27

13. GRANT AID (S137) & WELLBEING

- 13.1** Buru Karate Club applied for grant funding in the June meeting and it was agreed to award them £800. The original paperwork was given to the previous Clerk but this was not presented at the June meeting as it had not been passed to the Chair or Vice Chair. The paperwork was located and found to contain the sum of £1800, not £800. It was **RESOLVED** to award the Buru Karate Club a further £1000.

14. TO CONSIDER ITEMS BROUGHT TO THE COUNCIL BY MEMBERS

- 14.1** Cllr Haines agreed to forward.
- 14.2** Cllr C Jones attended the meeting in Pontypridd regarding Eisteddfod 2024. A location has still not been announced. The Chair has spoken to several people who attended and asked Cllr C Jones if he had committed £10,000 from the Community Council, which he denied. Cllr Davies informed members that his wife, Lowri Davies, was attending the next meeting and would provide feedback to the Community Council. It was **RESOLVED** to keep this item in the next meeting in September.

15. DEFIBRILLATOR UPDATE FROM CLLR RC EVANS & G HAINES

- 14.1** The battery at Chris Jeffrey's Motors appears to be defective. Cllr Haines has sent the battery back to the manufacturer. Three sets of replacement pads are also needed. It was **RESOLVED** to order three sets of pads.

16. BUDGET

Members were informed that, until new bank statements had been received, no budget could be distributed. It was hoped that by September, this matter would be resolved.

17. TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was **RESOLVED** that the next meeting will take place on Tuesday 5th September at Ynysybwl Community Centre. Cllr Haines and Cllr Banwell have offered their apologies in advance.

Closure of official business of the Council

Verbal report of the Community Councillors

Meeting closed at

Signed: Date.....