

Ynysybwl & Coed-y-Cwm Community Council

Meeting 7th December 6.45pm

At

Meeting to be held at Craig-y-Hesg Primary School

Cefn Lane, Glyncoch.

CLlr Burnell to thank the school for the use of their premises for this meeting.

1 Members in attendance.

2 To receive disclosures of Personal Interest.

CLlrs Haines and Evans declared an interest in item Royal British Legion.

CLlr Burnell declared an interest in the Festival.

3 To receive apologies.

4 Public break.

5 Police report.

A copy of the police report will be circulated when it becomes available.

6 To approve minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 2nd November.

7 Matters arising from the minutes 2nd November

8 Report from the Chair.

8.1 'Thank you' letter received from the Wales Air Ambulance Charity. Given that our residents in Ynysybwl and Coed-y-Cwm have benefited from this service the Chair proposes that we support this charity this year.

8.2 Roll of Honour. The Community Council has received a request from the requisite 9 residents to add Christopher Paul Lloyd to the Roll of Honour. This has been proposed by CLlr Davies and Seconded by CLlr Ellis. The Chair asks members to vote to agree this nomination.

8.3 Chair to provide a verbal update on the situation regarding the gates at Green Park.

8.4 Chair to provide a verbal update on the situation regarding the Christmas tree and Christmas lights at Coed-y-Cwm.

8.5 Up date from the Chair regarding the proposals and discussions with RCT for the placement of a bus shelter outside the Roberttown Hotel as detailed in the November 2nd meeting. This report will also cover other transport issues being discussed (particularly item 10.1) regarding parking and speed of vehicles.

8.6 Due to problems created by the pandemic etc. we have not yet received a request from the Royal British Legion for support. The Chair proposes that the Council makes the same offer this year as given last year.

8.7 The Chair thanks Cllr Ellis for the work she has put in related to the Christmas box initiative. Cllr Ellis will provide an update on the initiative.

9 Clerks report

9.1 The Chair and Vice Chair have been invited to a showcase event organised by Ynysybwl Regeneration Partnership being held on 15th December between 18.00 and 20.00 at Ynysybwl Rugby Club.

9.2 Letter to be read out related to defibrillators. Discussed at previous meeting.

9.3 Hybrid meetings. The Clerk will continue to review the potential for hybrid meetings which are due to be introduced after the next election. Review will include options for the future related to facilities required and how meetings would be managed. Anticipated report back in February to provide ideas of cost and implementation.

9.4 Budget planning for next year. RCT require a response from the Council regarding proposals for the 2022/23 budget. The Community Council also needs to consider the level of precept they require for the same budget period. Information circulated previously.

9.5 Appointment of Auditor. It was agreed at the May 2021 meeting that the Council would continue with the current Auditor.

10 Correspondence received.

10.1 Letter from residents of Hoel-Y-Plwyf regarding parking on pavements and speeding. The Community Council is in talks with RCT regarding traffic management and we have been asked to follow up in the new year. The Clerk will write to RCT regarding the concerns at refuse lorries parking on the pavement and provide feedback to the residents.

10.2 Letter regarding 'Appropriate Sum under Section 137(4)(a) of the Local Government Act 1972 – Section 137 Expenditure Limit for 2022/23. The limit has been increased from £8.41 to £8.82 per elector. Sent to Members 25/11/21

10.3 We have received a letter from 'Gwyl Ynysybwl Festival explaining the problems faced this year with the pandemic and looking for an indication of support for the next festival, pandemic allowing. Should the Council wish to support the festival it

could chose to fund some expenditure that may be incurred within this financial year from the budget allocation for the financial year 2021/22 made prior to the pandemic. Should members wish the Clerk could discuss this with the promotors and bring a request forward at the next meeting should there be any items that fit the budget requirements

10.4 Email correspondence from Vikki Howells, Assembly Member regarding Clydach Terrace. The Clerk will be writing to the Leader of RCTCBC (using recorded delivery) regarding the report that is due out on 1/12/2021.

11 To consider.

Town & Country planning applications. <https://planning.rctcbc.gov.online-applications>. There are no applications related to Ynysybwl & Coed-y-Cwm.

12 To accept accounts.

Accounts for November will be circulated to Members to view. Cllr Osbourne has suggested that the Council could close one of the two accounts it currently has, particularly given that it has earned interest in pence and requires funds to be moved between the 'savings' account and the current account. Members may recall that this created a problem with the Wales Auditors.

14 Grant Aid (\$137) & Well Being

14.1 The Council has been asked to support the cost of additional safety and security items for Trerobant Primary school. The school has been asked to provide costing for the items to enable the Council to make a formal decision at the January 2022 meeting.

15 Formation of Neighbourhood Watch for Coed-y-Cwm

15.1 Proposal that Cllr O'Donovan takes the lead in progressing this initiative.

16 To consider items brought to the agenda by Members of the Council

16.1 Proposal regarding traffic problems raised by Cllr Jones. These form part of discussions taking place with RCTCBC regarding a number of issues and progress will be reported back as issues are resolved.

16.2 Concern raised by Cllr Jones regarding payments made to RCTCBC for the 'extra' services they offer. The Chair and Clerk have had a meeting with the relevant personnel and will be monitoring the work carried out through reporting by RCT and meetings with relevant personnel.

16.3 Cllr Jones requested an update on the situation regarding future proposals for Lady Winsor site. RCTCBC has stated that there are currently. The enquiry has been forwarded to the Estates team to comment on any disposal plans.