Cyngor Cymuned Onllwyn Community Council

Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on Monday 15th April 2024 held at Dove Workshop, Banwen

Present:

Cllr Lee Reynolds, Cllr Ruth Stone, Cllr Dean Cawsey, Cllr Emlyn Griffiths, Cllr Steve Thomas, Cllr Sonia Coy, Cllr Angie Thompson.

Apologies: Cllr Gareth Llewellyn and Cllr Andrew Jones

Meeting commenced at 1900 hours.

1. Apologies received as above.

2. Declaration of interests

Explained these would be declared as necessary in any item that would arise.

Cllr Dean Cawsey and Cllr Emlyn Griffiths declared an interest in Banwen Rugby

Club request for funding for Party in the Pitch.

3. Matters needing urgent attention.

Main Road (off Moorlands) playpark inspection reports discussed. Necessary action taken to prevent limited use by placing industrial style plastic mesh fencing around affected areas. Clerk to obtain quotations from companies in relation to the required repairs or removal of playpark items and provide to the Council for consideration.

4. Matters raised by members of the public.

Email received from Lydia Price in relation to issues around the pond area between members of the public and angling pond users and Clerk to investigate further, to speak to Cllr Andrew Jones.

- 5. To confirm the minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 11th March 2024.

 Minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record by all Councillors present.
- 6. Matters arising from the minutes.

11th March 2024 meeting minute number 5 refers.

Ty Maesmarchog housing. No further update at this time.

Wembley Avenue junction Onllwyn Road building site. No further update at this time.

Back lane off School Road, Cllr D Cawsey to update on ownership.

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Agreed use of Kerry-Leigh Grabham as internal auditor.

8. Planning applications.

None.

9. Information from members on Outside bodies.

Global Centre of Rail Excellence meeting on 26 April 2024 and Cllr Sonia Coy agreed to attend.

10. To discuss digitalisation of Community Council

Clerk to investigate accounting packages.

Agreed that Clerk be added to Bank mandate as a signatory.

Clerk to investigate hardware/software required to hold hybrid meeting and report to Council.

11. Policing matters.

Cllr Sonia Coy explained that a local incident had occurred in Banwen with Police presence seen at end of previous monthly meeting. No extra inforamiton available however Clerk requested to make contact with neighbourhood officer Andrew Wallen to inform him of position and contact details for any future information that can be passed on.

12. Pantyffordd Hall.

Members informed that a NPTC UK fund request was unsuccessful to assist with required work on the hall.

No application made to the windfarm as yet, Clerk to complete.

New quotes for the flooring are to be obtained by Cllr S Thomas and submitted to Clerk for report.

Boiler service completed and invoice submitted for payment.

13. Request from Dove Workshop

Agreed by Council for Dove Workshop to use Community Council land for future Christmas Winter Wonderland light display, Clerk to send letter of confirmation.

14. Public Toilets.

Keys to be obtained for gate lock, suggested could be changed to a code lock for future ease of use. Councillors agreed that an agreement needs to be in place detailing responsibilities. Agreed that a job description will be required and an

advert placed for the position of opening / closing of the toilets, Clerk to complete.

15. Matters raised by members.

New councillor position.

Previously a position had been advertised and three persons expressed interest, details passed to clerk. Clerk to contact the applicants and Neath Port Talbot Council to determine process required.

- 16. Resolved that further to subsection (1) of Section 2 of the Public Bodies (admissions to meetings) Act 1960, the public and press be excluded from the meeting during the following two items by virtue of the nature of the business to be transacted.
- 17. Matters arising of a confidential nature.

There were no matters arising.

18. Health and Safety.

There were no reports for submission to council.

19. Correspondence received.

Letter from public in relation to pond previously discussed.

Letter from Dove Workshop previously discussed.

Cemetery paperwork received by Chair and passed to Clerk for action.

Request received from member of public for a grant to the sum of £200 to assist with purchase of items to support young person in a national competition, agreed by Council to assist, Clerk to action.

Request received from Party in Pitch for a grant to assist with local event, interest declared by Cllr E Griffiths and Cllr D Cawsey. Sum agreed of £500 by council, Clerk to action.

Meeting concluded at 2045 hours.

Next meeting: Monday 13th May 2024.

Dated: 116/1/2