

(1)  
The monthly meeting of the Aberporth Community Council was held on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at 6:30pm in Blaenannerch chapel; a hybrid link was provided. The Chairman, Cllr Dave Addison, presided.  
Present: Cllr Gethin Davies, Cllr Aled Thomas, Cllr Robin Young, Cllr Jackie Brown, Cllr Damon Watmough, Cllr Zoe Storer, Cllr Sue Lewis, Cllr Carys Owens, County Cllr Clive Davies, Mrs Vanessa Owens (Clerk)

(2)  
Mr Sam Beresford attended via Zoom at 6:30pm to answer questions relating to Planning Application A230907 - Qinetiq, Mod Aberporth Range Pennar Road, Parclyn, Cardigan, Ceredigion, SA43 2BU. He advised that the application has gone into Ceredigion County Council Planning and determination is due by the middle of February. The proposal is part of the MOD commitment to reduce its carbon footprint; this solar panel development will power approx. 40% of the site.  
Mark Cornell; project manager; was unable to join the meeting.  
Cllr Dave Addison noted that the main concern of the community council was the potential glint on neighbouring land and property.  
Mr Beresford responded that a glint and glare assessment has been undertaken to determine impact to houses on Hillfield Road which will face panels and any potential affect on aircraft; it has been determined that potentially only one property would be affected and there will be planting along the boundary to alleviate this.  
Cllr Zoe Storer enquired if there had been any changes from the consultation document; Mr Beresford advised that there has been some changes to the two parcels to the north.  
Cllr Zoe Storer and Cllr Damon Watmough enquired about the impact on the sports field; Mr Beresford responded that the field had not been included in the glint and glare assessment and did not know if this was to be undertaken though he would enquire. He was unable to say if the planting would be established plants or how long it would take to grow and would make the relevant enquiry.

1. Apologies/Personal matters  
Ymddiheuriadau/Materion Personol

(3)  
Apologies were received from Cllr Anne McCreary, Cllr Gary Morss, Cllr Tristan Jones.

2. To disclose personal and pecuniary interests in items of business listed below  
Datgelu diddordeb personol ac ariannol dan eitemau busnes sydd wedi eu rhestru isod
3. Confirmation and signing of previous minutes  
Cadarnhau a llofnodi cofnodion y cyfarfod diwethaf

(4)  
Due to there being no agenda items the December meeting was cancelled.  
Cllr Robin Young proposed that the minutes of the November be approved as a correct record; this was seconded by Cllr Jackie Brown and approved unanimously.

4. Financial business  
Busnes Ariannol

(5)  
Items approved for payment:  
£12.60 Cllr Sue Lewis  
£350.00 Richards Bros  
£867.00 Aberystwyth Arts Centre  
£7.99 S V Owens (Eventbrite fees)  
£33.49 SV Owens (batteries for defibrillator)

Bank balances as at 02.01.24

Current account	£24025.23
Treasures account	£29989.60
Allocated reserves account	£45336.65

5. Reports  
Adroddiadau

**Clerks Report/Adroddiad y Clerc**

(6)

Parcllyn: update from Mr John Jones at MOD indicates that the process is progressing and the earliest date for completion will be the 19 February 2024. He has instructed the MOD solicitor to draft a sale contract for our solicitor to review, with a view to completing the sale after the 19 February, and will shortly be issuing the Council

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with revised Heads of Terms for the sale of the Sports Ground at Parcllyn.

Clerk indicated her concerns relating to raising the funds to purchase the field and is subject to securing a grant from Ceredigion County Council; it was agreed to submit the application as soon as possible.

(7)  
Councillor Training: One Voice Wales training dates provided.  
Request from Ceredigion County Council Ethics and Standards to provide 2024 training plan  
It was agreed that Councillors would complete training assessment form in order that the training requirements can be updated; clerk to resend out the form.

(8)  
2024 Meeting between representatives of the County Council and Town and Community Councils will be held on Thursday 1 February at the School Hall, Cardigan Secondary School; it was agreed that the Clerk and Chairman would attend. Clerk requested that Councillors email her with any issues to be raised.

(9)  
Ceredigion County Council has opened a public consultation on draft Equality Plan 2024-28.  
<http://www.ceredigion.gov.uk/your-council/consultations/strategic-equality-plan-consultation/>

(10)  
Ceredigion Local Nature Partnership - Survey on Support for Meadow Management

(11)  
Request received for a memorial bench on the coastal path; have referred them to Ceredigion County Council.

(12)  
One Voice Wales Webinar, Interactive self-guided tours for villages, towns and communities, to be held on Thursday 25 January 2024 (Zoom) 10:30-12:00. Cllr Sue Lewis is booked on.  
It was agreed that there are a lot of interesting areas and history in our community which could be highlighted.

(13)  
Clerk had received enquiries relating to the handling of a planning application – have referred to One Voice Wales and am happy the council handled it appropriately; have responded accordingly and provided a copy of the complaints policy.

(14)  
Cost Of Living Crisis Survey 2023 completed; identified community services and providers in our area eg. warm spaces, benefit information support, lunch clubs, mother and baby groups.  
Not operated by us as a council, but offer a high number of services through third sector.  
Correspondence received from OVW relating to cost of living crisis; they have established a new team and are engaging with community and town councils to support their communities.  
One Voice Wales will be holding its National Awards Conference on Wednesday 27th March 2024 at Hafod Hendre, Royal Welsh Showground

### **County Councillor Report/Adroddiad y Cynghorwr y Sir**

(15)  
Written report received from Cllr Clive Davies.  
He noted that Cardigan has received a high profile over the Christmas period.  
He advised that here are big cuts in funding this year and Ceredigion County Council are struggling to find areas where expenditure can be cut back; they are looking to close anything that is not statutory.  
Cllr Sue Lewis noted that this is a political decision, so it is important we that lobby to get them to realise the impact on Ceredigion. Cllr Davies agreed; Ceredigion is getting the least amount of money due to the way funding is calculated; many properties are in high banding and there is an ageing population which impacts costs.  
He had attended the meeting with Friends of Cardigan pool and a lot of progress has been made; need to maintain momentum. It is a potential site for the wellbeing hub which would be a positive move.

(16)  
Cllr Gethin Davies had been unwell over the Christmas period.

He advised that Ceredigion County Council are looking at areas such as grass cutting that could be passed down to town and community councils in order to meet necessary cutbacks.  
Requested that National Bird watch is promoted on community facebook page.

### **Chairmans Report/Adroddiad y Cadeirydd**

(17)  
Cllr Addison reported that he had attended the Primary school Christmas fayre and Bilingual playgroup Christmas fayre. He thanked everyone involved in organising the panto trip; Cllr Sue Lewis noted that the children had all been really well behaved though committee will make some organisational changes for next year. He was pleased that the completion of the land purchases in Parcclyn are nearing completion and that the council can start looking

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to the future plans.

### **Committee Representative Reports/Adroddiadau Cynrychioliadol y Pwyllgor Planning/Cynllunio**

(18)  
A230907 - Qinetiq, Mod Aberporth Range Pennar Road, Parcclyn, Cardigan, Ceredigion, SA43 2BU  
In support

A230908 - Dyffryn Cottage, Ffordd Newydd, Aberporth, Cardigan, Ceredigion, SA43 2EW

In support, needs off road parking

A230833 - Penmoris, Rhiw Y Rofft, Aberporth, Cardigan, Ceredigion, SA43 2DD

This is for a proposed extension onto the house, concerns were raised about the impact on the clifftop; water is running down into the cove and there appears to be a landslide with new fencing posts exposed. This is a SSSI area.

Clerk to report potential subsidence and risk of landslide to Ceredigion County Council.

A230803 - Brynhyfryd Ffordd Newydd, Aberporth, Cardigan, Ceredigion, SA43 2EW

House is to be demolished and a new property developed which will include an extension of the pavement from Jones Bros development. No objections.

A230807 - West Wales Airport, Blaenannerch, Cardigan, Ceredigion, SA43 2DZ

No objections

### **Finance/Cyllido**

(19)  
Senedd Cymru's Local Government and Housing Committee is currently consulting on the Local Government Finance (Wales) Bill. One Voice Wales will be preparing a response to this consultation.

### **Footpaths & Maintenance/Llwybrau Troed a Chynnal a Chadw**

(20)  
Cllr Damon Watmough advised that the damage to the concrete path in front of Boy Ashore is getting worse; Easter is early this year and the work needs to be completed as soon as possible. Cllr Gethin Davies has reported to Ceredigion County Council. Clerk to contact Ceredigion County Council.

(21)  
Cllr Zoe Storer reported that a mobility scooter went from outside the chip shop to go onto the pavement opposite and tipped over due to lower level and no railing at that point. It was agreed to report to Ceredigion County Council and request a railing be installed.

(22)  
Biodiversity:  
Cllr Gethin Davies reported that more bird boxes are being made to be located around the community. He reported that many of the existing boxes have been used.

Cllr Clive Davies suggested that this project be nominated for a One Voice Wales Award.

Cllr Sue Lewis advised that the village hall had been successful with Keep Wales Tidy grants: there are wildflower seeds to go around Canolfan Dyffryn and had some bird boxes and insect houses.

### **Procedures Review Committee/Pwyllgor Adaygu Trefn**

### **Community Enhancement and Social Wellbeing/ Gwella Cymunedol a Lles Cymdeithasol**

(23)  
The application to Cynnal y Cardi has been successful: CYC-044 Parcclyn Community & Leisure Field & Play Park; waiting on agreement for signature. The funding is £10,000 for fencing of the park and completion deadline is end

of March, Cllr Zoe Storer is organising quotes for the work; £16,000 for a feasibility study to engage with the community on future proposals for the sports field; need to identify companies able to undertake this type of work. Have received Cynnal y Cardi Brand and Publicity Guidelines and Cynnal y Card are holding a guidance meeting for the grant on 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan at 10am. Cllr Zoe Storer and Clerk will be attending online.

### **Beaches/ Traethau**

(24)

Cliff fall under the car park on Dolwen beach.  
Large sand bank has formed on Dyffryn beach.

### **Tidy Towns/Trefi Taclus**

#### **Outside Bodies Representative Reports/Adroddiadau Cynrychioliadol Cyrff Allanol**

(25)

Cllr Jackie Brown advised that the village hall management committee want more information relating to the potential leasing of the play area adjacent to Canolfan Dyffryn. The Clerk noted that all that is required at this stage is for an in principle decision by the village hall trustees and if they are in approval then we can jointly look at the relevant details and legal documents.

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#### 6. Notified Business

Busnes a rag-hysbyswydir

(26)

Cllr Anne McCreary had requested that the community council supports resident to set up cold calling exclusion zones. It was agreed to contact Trading Standards to find out what is involved and Clerk to speak with PCSO Mathew Kieboom.

(27)

Clerk had been contacted by residents of No 1 Dyffryn Terrace. Historically they purchased the area of land adjacent to their property from Ceredigion County Council, at the time there was a brick bus shelter that was the property of the community council on this area of land. The new bus shelter at the top of Dyffryn Terrace and the pull in area had been installed so this shelter was no longer used and was causing unsociable behaviour issues. The community council gave approval to the county council for the sale of the land to proceed and the shelter was gifted to Mr and Mrs Mathias. It has come to light that the piece of land that the bus shelter actually sat on was not included by the county council in the deed and is not registered with the land registry as belonging to the family. It was agreed the community council would contact the solicitor to take advice and organise the transfer of land to them/register land to them.

#### 7. Correspondence/Gohectbiaeth

(28)

Email:

Ceredigion Poverty Bulletin

Grant request from Blood Bikes

Grant request from Urdd Gobaith Cymru

Walking, cycling and horse riding opportunities in Ceredigion

Ceredigion County Council Sandbag Policy

Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service is consulting on its Improvement and Well-being Objectives as part of its draft Community Risk Management Plan (CRMP) 2040.

OVW:

Consultation: Fiscal Intergovernmental Relations

New consultation: Future spending purposes for dormant assets funding in Wales

Guest blog: Working together for an Age-Friendly Wales

Vacancy: Senior Interaction Designer

Older People's Commissioner for Wales December Newsletter

Report on Ceredigion Public Services Board

Examples of Biodiversity actions needed!

Nadolig LLawen

Cost-of-Living – Community and Town Council activity in Wales

Countryside Code update December 2023

Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Draft Annual Report

Vacancy: Litigation Assistant x2

Vacancy: Government Lawyer - Public Law

Public Services Ombudsman for Wales press release - Equality and Human Rights Casebook

Audit Wales Newsletter

Vacancy: Senior Anti-racist Wales Action Plan (ArWAP) Regional Forum Convenor – SEO x 4 roles

Vacancy: Head of Escalation and Enforcement

One Voice Wales' Cost of Living Crisis Team

Lamp Light of Peace

Trydan Gwyrdd Cymru--Non Exec Director Board Opportunities – Welsh Government

Correspondence was noted.

8. Review Diary  
Adolygu Dyddiadur

9. Date of next meeting  
Dyddiad y Cyfarfod Nesaf

(29)

Date of next meeting is Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 6:30pm.

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There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8: 34pm

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