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The monthly meeting of the Aberporth Community Council was held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2021 at 6:30pm, the Vice Chairman, Cllr Robin Young, presided.

Due to high covid 19 levels in the area the meeting was held electronically.

Present: Cllr Jackie Brown, Cllr Anne McCreary, Cllr Sue Lewis, Cllr Gethin Davies, Cllr Sam Trevor, Cllr Carys Owens, Mrs Vanessa Owens (Clerk)

Lleucu Morgan and Anna Prytherch from Gofal Cardi Care, gave a presentation on the project which is being rolled out in Aberporth. The launch event is to be held at Canolfan Dyffryn on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2022 at 4pm.

Cllr Robin Young thanked them for their informative presentation and welcomed the project for Aberporth area.

- 1. Apologies/Personal matters
  - Ymddiheuriadau/Materion Personol

Apologies were received from Cllr Aled Thomas, Cllr Zoe Storer, Cllr Dave Addison and Cllr Damon Watmough.

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

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Cllr Sue Lewis declared her interests relating to planning application A211058.

- 3. Confirmation and signing of previous minutes
  - Cadarnhau a llofnodi cofnodion y cyfarfod diwethaf

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Cllr Aled Thomas had contacted the Clerk asked that the minutes reflect the amounts of the recent tenders for grass maintenance, footpath trashing and Christmas trees. It was agreed that the Clerk would clarify with One Voice Wales on the procedures regarding confidentiality and would amend the minutes accordingly if ok to do so. Cllr Anne McCreary felt that when the Council makes decisions about tenders and contracts it is important to justify and record any approved decisions.

Clerk suggested that under the circumstances with contract issues that she would draft a finance and procurement policy. Cllr Robin Young felt that this was a good idea

Cllr Carys Owens approved the minutes as a true record subject to the Clerk clarifying the inclusion of tender information; this was seconded by Cllr Jackie Brown and approved unanimously. Carys & Jackie

4. Financial business Busnes Ariannol

(6) Items approved for payment: £150.00 E A Owens £200.00 E A Owens £139.20 Cliand Computers £360.00 DMB Davies £15 x 2 MOD

£ 3.36 interest on savings account	
Bank balances at 25.11.21	
Current account	£44775.85
Treasures account	£15,000.00
Allocated reserves account	£56916.57

Cheque from social club was credited to the account but HSBC did not approve the payment and it was returned; a new cheque has been issued and is in the process of clearing.

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Cllr Jackie trees Brown noted that the quote for Christmas trees was £250; the final invoice has been reduced due to tree from Blaenporth being returned.

Cllr Robin Young thanked Cllr Jackie Brown for organising the trees

## 1. Notified Business Busnes a rag-hysbyswydir

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Email received from Ben Lake MP advising that he has received confirmation in writing from Minister of State for

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Defence Procurement that he had instructed MOD officials to engage with the Community Council to transfer the ownership of the 2.6 hectare sports field to the Council, in addition to the playground. MOD officials have been instructed to find a way of ensuring the land is sold to the Community Council. He also confirmed that officials were to draw up a temporary tenancy arrangement in order to allow sporting fixtures to be held on the field until the sale was able to progress. Ben Lake is chasing this up.

(9)

One Voice Wales legal advice is that as a community council we do not have powers of compulsory purchase. John Jones MOD has written to the legal department at Ceredigion County Council.

Clerk has requested advice from John Jones on the situation regarding the purchase of the land and his email response provides reassurance that the MOD are working towards a private treaty sale to the community council. (10)

Cllr Robin Young felt that it was important to keep close contact with Ben Lake on this.

Cllr Gethin Davies advised that Ben Lake is due to meet with Ceredigion County Council to discuss the purchase. The Clerk and Cllr Sue Lewis both have concerns regarding the County Council purchasing the land on behalf of the community council and subsequently leasing it to us; this could potentially hinder grant applications.

(11)

Email received from Mr A James advising the community council of issues regarding heating pipes wrapped in asbestos running in concrete tunnels in the football field and play area. It was agreed that the Clerk would clarify this with Mr John Jones

(12)

Aberporth Football Club contacted the press about being unable to use the football field. MOD have responded. There is still no update regarding the lease at ths time.

(13)

Cllr Anne McCreary had received a request for a memorial bench via the village hall management committee. Clerk recommended replacing an old concrete seat at lower welfare park. Cllr Gethin Davies agreed that this bench does need some work, it is currently unsafe and will require lowering, a new slab and new seat; the bank needs to be retained. Cllr McCreary to contact the relevant parties and advise them of this option.

(14)

Civil Contingencies Section of Ceredigion County Council is undertaking a small survey to identify local Community Venues which could possibly act as Rest Centres during an emergency.

Cllr Anne McCreary advised that there is an existing emergency plan for Aberporth which needs to be included in the strategy. The existing plan includes the village hall as a location so it needs updating and suggested Canolfan Dyffryn and Chapel hall at Blaenannerch as rest centre locations. Cllr Anne McCreary is to follow this up.

2. Reports

Addroddiadau

Clerks Report/Adroddiad y Clerc

(15)

Cllr Aled Thomas, Cllr Gethin Davies (County Councillor) and the Clerk attended the virtual meeting with the County Council – nothing to report.

Through Age and Wellbeing Programme/Strategy Presentation was given on the evening. Copy provided.

(16)

Clerk has spoken with Cliand Computers and chased up the conferencing system – screen, webcam and laptop to run software.

(17)

The Ceredigion County Council application for playground grant requested a copy of our Covid risk assessment; have updated the risk assessment and provided a copy.

Enamel mugs – have not made progress with regards to the VE Day mugs and after talking with Cllr Aled Thomas and an ultimatum with the company have moved the order to a different company Go Promotional. Cllr Anne McCreary proposed that we order 300 mugs; this was seconded by Cllr Jackie Brown,

(19)

Information received from One Voice Wales on Community Woodlands Fund; forwarded to Village Hall to consider improvement to the woodland walk from Canolfan Dyffryn to the beach.

(20)

One Voice Wales Nature Forum are looking for community representatives.

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(21)

Information received from Ben Lake MP regarding Ofcom's consultation on changes to the telephony universal service obligation.

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## County Councillor Report/Adroddiad y Cynghorwr y Sir

(22)

Cllr Gethin Davies reported that covid numbers in Ceredigion are increasing and that schools will be closing early on Friday.

Ceredigion County Council have been working hard clearing roads and debris after the storms.

## Chairmans Report/Adroddiad y Cadeirydd

## Committee Representative Reports/Adroddiadau Cynrychioliadol y Pwyllgor

Planning/Cynllunio (23)

Observations of the planning committee were noted.

A210875 - 9 Parc Y Delyn, Parcllyn, Cardigan, Ceredigion, SA43 2DX

No observations

A210932 - Cambria, 13 Heol Yr Wylan, Aberporth, Cardigan, Ceredigion, SA43 2HE

No observations

A211018 - Pennar Cottage, Parcllyn, Cardigan. SA43 2DN

Right of way through the property which needs to be retained. Converting garage into holiday letting

accommodation. water board recommendations re sewerage. No concerns.

A210996 - Former Blaenporth Primary School, Blaenporth, Cardigan, SA43 2BA

No concerns regarding this actual application though concerns about potential future development on cleared land. A211047 - Vacant Plot between Coedmor & Derlwyn, Felin Road, Aberporth, Cardigan

Concerns about design, completely flat roof. Not in keeping with existing properties. Not sympathetic to the area. A211058 - Gilwendeg Cae Dolwen, Aberporth, Ceredigion, SA43 2DE

This application is not sympathetic to the area. Not in support of this application. The property will dominate the surrounding houses.

A211061 Rose Cottage, Aberporth, Cardigan, SA432DU

Concerns about erosion of the bank on the road side. Access is narrow.

Caerfelin – ground stabilisation – this work has started; trees have been cut down. The bank moved and took caravans with it, are competing works to stabilise the bank to prevent further slippage into the river. A210198 barn conversion into holiday home at Troedyrhiw. No objections

Consultation on planning legislation and policy for second homes and short-term holiday lets <a href="https://gov.wales/planning-legislation-and-policy-second-homes-and-short-term-holiday-lets">https://gov.wales/planning-legislation-and-policy-second-homes-and-short-term-holiday-lets</a>

Finance/Cyllido

Minutes of finance committee provided

Draft budget for 2022-23 provided.

Cllr Gethin Davies proposed that the budget for 2022-23 be approved; this was seconded by Cllr Jackie Brown and approved unanimously.

Cllr Gethin Davies proposed that there was no increase in the precept for 2022-23; this was seconded by Cllr Jackie Brown and approved unanimously.

Final audit report has been received from the Wales Audit Office; there is no report in the public interest but the community council has to consider recommendations made. This has been initially considered by the Finance committee and Clerk has advised Deryck Evans that the report will be considered at the January monthly meeting. There needs to be a public notice placed in the paper at least 7 days prior to the meeting; a copy of the notice needs to be sent to the audit office.

Cllr Anne McCreary important to ensure that notice goes in correctly.

(26)

Appropriate sum for the purposes of section 137(4)(a) of the Local Government Act 1972 (the 1972 Act) for Community and Town Councils in Wales for the financial year 2022-23 is £8.82

(27)

Information received from One Voice Wales about Lottery Jubilee funding. Finance committee to look at potential for funding planned activities.

(28)

Applied for a £500 grant from Community Fund delivered through Welsh Water, have received an email advising this has been approved

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Footpaths & Maintenance/Llwybrau Troed a Chynnal a Chadw

(29)

Minutes of maintenance committee provided.

Procedures Review Committee/Pwyllgor Adoygu Trefn

(30)
The Local Elections (Principal Areas) (Wales) Rules 2021 and the Local Elections (Communities) (Wales) Rules 2021 guidance notes provided to Councillors.

Community Welcome Audit/Archwiliad Croeso Cymuned – Community Plan Task & Finish Group

Tidy Towns/Trefi Taclus

(31) Leave only pawprints' dog fouling campaign – new poster campaign

Outside Bodies Representative Reports/Adroddiadau Cynrychioliadol Cyrff Allanol

Beaches/ Traethau

(32)

Cllr Sam Trevor advised that recent storms have not caused too much damage to the actual beaches. Main damage is to property or items which been swept out to sea; potentially dangerous for people to be removing things in the storm. Need to reinforce the message to remove their equipment from the bank.

Cllr Gethin Davies noted that the first storm brought a lot of dead fish and animals onto the beach; second storm has damaged the sea wall stones, some of the stones have moved and it will need to be looked at in the Spring. Palm oil was washed up and has been removed.

Correspondence/Gohectbiaeth

(33) Email:

Ceredigion - Surviving a Winter of Discontent -Food and Fuel Crisis -support available in Ceredigion Grant request from Wales Air Ambulance

Grant request from Eisteddfod yr Urdd

Information from The Cinnamon Trust

One Voice Wales:

Policy Announcements at the Compulsory Purchase Association (CPA)Wales National Conference 2021 Well-being of Future Generations National Stakeholder Forum

Well-being of Future Generations National Stakeholder Forum

Cymraeg Gwaith 'Use' Work Welsh courses

One Voice Wales Community CPR and Defibrillator Manager

Transforming Towns - Repurposing buildings post Covid

Training dates

Placemaking for a Thriving Welsh Village

Technical Advice Note (TAN) 15 – Important Update from the Minister for Climate Change Older People's Commissioner for Wales - Engagement Sessions

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Disability Wales Access to Politics October 2021 Newsletter WCVA – Catalyst Cymru: Broadening horizons Project Autumn newsletter Hywel Dda Community Health Council <u>https://hywelddachc.nhs.wales/</u> £500,000 fuel poverty fund opens for grant applications TOGETHER WE CAN DO SO MUCH Consultation on local taxes for second homes and self-catering accommodation Draft Corporate Joint Committee (General) (Wales) Regulations2022 Older People's Commissioner's Newsletter Launch of the National Framework for the Delivery of Bereavement Care in Wales Correspondence was noted. 3. Review Diary Adolygu Dyddiadur

Complete precept form to Ceredigion County Council

4. Date of next meeting

Dyddiad y Cyfarfod Nesaf (35) Date of next meeting is Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2022 at 6:30pm (36) There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8pm.

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