

**CYNGOR  CYMUNED
COEDPOETH
COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday 21st December 2010

PRESENT

Cllr M Dixon – Chair

Cllr C Edwards, Cllr G Williams, Cllr C Williams, Cllr M Davies (County Councillor for Wrexham),
Cllr S Lee, Cllr. M Whitby, Cllr P Wilson, Cllr K Woodward & Cllr G R Price

MEETING COMMENCED – 7.30pm

AGENDA ITEM		ACTION
1	<p><u>INTRODUCTION BY CHAIR</u></p> <p>The Chair welcomed Cllr M Davies back and outlined the Council's continuing good progress on a number of key fronts, particularly the business like approach that the Council was now taking adding that it was his intention to conclude the meeting around 9.30pm. The Cemetery Superintendent was praised for working with Wrexham County Borough Council to resolve the Cemetery Road drainage problem. The Chair wished all present a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.</p>	
2	<p><u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u></p> <p>Cllr M Nelson & Cllr M Bostwick. The Clerk reported that Cllr M Bostwick wished all members of the Council a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.</p>	
3	<p><u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>	
4	<p><u>MINUTES</u></p> <p>The minutes of the Council meeting on 16th November 2010 were approved: Proposed: Cllr C Williams, Seconded: Cllr C Edwards – Unanimous.</p>	

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5	<p><u>CLERK'S REPORT</u> <u>The Council accepted and noted the following:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. The Clerk's action points resolved and those outstanding and progress made since the report had been issued. B. The Planning applications received. C. The major items of correspondence received. D. Councillors' attendance figures for the last six months. E. The analysis of Income. Cllr M Whitby requested monthly income figures. The Clerk reported that he would be carrying out a review of charging policy to be implemented on 1st April 2011. F. The progress made on the contracts of employment. G. The progress being made on the Council newsletter and draft copies were circulated. Members were asked to provide comments. H. The urgent repairs carried out. I. The conversion of the Domino Room into the Clerk's new office. J. The poor support and turnout for the production of Cinderella. K. The need for comprehensive Policies for the Council and it was agreed that the Clerk would address this over the next nine months. L. Welsh Assembly Government's approach to Community Resilience. M. The Council extending its contract with Wrexham County Borough Council for the provision of payroll services. N. The Building Work tender to go out in January 2011. It was agreed that the Clerk would develop a database of local builders, plumbers, electricians etc. O. Confirmation from Wrexham County Borough Council that the Precept for 2011/12 would be £139,429. P. An irate taxpayers concern over stones/snowballs thrown at his property from Council owned property. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to the taxpayer explaining the Council's phased implementation of CCTV coverage for the Council. Q. The review of electoral arrangements in Wrexham CBC and the fact that there were no changes to Member representation in Coedpoeth. R. Wrexham County Borough Council's proposed approach to a Licensing Scheme for Houses in Multiple Occupation. S. The Society of Town & Community Clerks' conference in Llandudno on the 18th March 2011. T. The need to publish all expenditure over £500 with effect from the 1st January 2011. U. That the Cemetery is not connected to mains sewerage. The Clerk stated that he would be contacting Dee Water and requesting a refund of charges. V. Concern over the balcony floor in the Parish Hall. W. That the Clerk had set up a Gifts and Hospitality Register. X. The visit by the Internal Auditor to the Council on the 11th January 2011 to carry out an interim and follow up audit. 	<p>DVB</p> <p>DVB</p> <p>DVB</p> <p>DVB</p> <p>DVB</p>
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	<p><u>The Council approved the following:</u></p> <p>A. Schedule of Payments (6th October to 16th November 2010). Proposed: Cllr C Edwards, Seconded: M Whitby – Unanimous.</p> <p>B. The Budget Statement up to and including 30th November had a projected surplus of £22,350. Proposed: Cllr P Wilson, Seconded: G Williams – Unanimous.</p> <p>C. The request to waive financial regulations in respect of the quote to insulate the Library roof space as it provided excellent value for money compared with the indicative price given by Bolton Birch. Proposed: Cllr M Davies, Seconded: C Edwards – Unanimous.</p> <p>D. The Christmas gratuity to staff. Proposed: Cllr M Whitby, Seconded: G Williams – Unanimous.</p> <p>E. The revised Cemetery charges effective from the 1st January 2011. Proposed: Cllr C Williams, Seconded: M Whitby – Unanimous.</p> <p>F. The appointment of ADT to provide CCTV for the Council. Proposed: Cllr G Williams, Seconded: C Edwards – Unanimous.</p> <p>G. The Council’s Risk Assessment for 2010/11. Proposed: Cllr G Williams, Seconded: C Edwards – Unanimous.</p> <p>H. The Council confirmed that the Clerk had served a satisfactory probationary period and that he be confirmed in his post as Clerk to the Council. Proposed: Cllr C Edwards, Seconded: C Williams – Cllr G Price abstained.</p> <p>I. That the Council’s part-time staff move to Wrexham County Borough pay and conditions in line with the full time staff. Proposed: Cllr K Woodward, Seconded: S Lee – Cllr G Price abstained.</p> <p>J. Consultation on the Letting of Council owned Football Pitches. It was agreed that the Council would support the option that Football Clubs have exclusive rights to manage pitches subject to Football Clubs allowing other users access to the grounds outside match playing games. Proposed: Cllr M Davies, Seconded: G Williams – Unanimous</p> <p><u>The Council deferred the following:</u></p> <p>A. Waste Disposal arrangements for Hire Lettings until the January meeting.</p> <p>B. Guidelines for Grant Applications until the January meeting to allow Members more time to comment. The Chairman stated that he would like to amend the application form and would liaise with the Clerk re:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The need for audited accounts • The need to provide Information on all bank accounts held. 	<p>DVB</p> <p>DVB</p> <p>DVB</p> <p>DVB/ ALL</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p><u>COUNCIL MATTERS</u></p> <p>The Council discussed the following that were tabled by Cllr G Price:</p>	

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	<p>1. Pool Table – It was agreed by the Council that they would trial the Pool Table for a period of six months and it was agreed that the old Clerk’s room would be a meeting room also for that period. Proposed: Cllr G Williams, Seconded: C Edwards – Cllr G Price abstained.</p> <p>2. Cemetery Superintendent’s Pension Entitlement for 1987 to 1990. It was agreed that the Clerk would investigate this further.</p>	DVB
7.	<p><u>POLICING MATTERS</u></p> <p>The Police did not attend or provide any crime statistics for the Village. Members expressed concern at the level of policing in the Village, in respect of drinking, anti social behaviour, nuisance, parking on the High Street etc., and it was agreed that the Clerk would invite PC Barrett (Community Beat Manager) to the next Council meeting in January 2011. Cllr M Davies reported that Wrexham County Borough Council will be providing funding for PCSO’s for a further two years and that if any Member had any Police concerns that they should contact him.</p>	DVB
8.	<p><u>WREXHAM COUNTY BOROUGH MATTERS</u></p> <p>There were no matters to report other than those reported in the Clerk’s Report.</p>	
9.	<p><u>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</u></p> <p>The items raised included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr M Davies informed the Council that progress is being made on the Village Gateway signs for the Eisteddfod and requested that the Council make their car park public for the Eisteddfod Proposed: Cllr M Davies, Seconded: C Edwards – Unanimous. • Cllr C Edwards expressed concern at the time taken to refurbish a Council house at Heol Celyn. It was agreed that Cllr C Edwards would provide Cllr M Davies with all the necessary information. • Cllr C Williams expressed concern at the extent of dog fouling in the Village and it was agreed that she would contact the appropriate officer at Wrexham County Borough Council. • Cllr K Woodward reported a light out at the corner of Cae Glas. 	
16.	<p><u>NEXT MEETING</u></p> <p>18th January 2010</p>	

MEETING FINISHED – 9.29pm

Dave Bamber CPFA Clerk to the Council

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