

**CYNGOR CYMUNEDOL
COEDPOETH
COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Minutes of Council Meeting
Tuesday May 12th 2015**

Present

Cllr G Jones – Chair

Cllr T Wyatt (VC), Cllr S Davies, Cllr J Hinchliffe, Cllr M Dixon, Cllr K Woodward, Cllr R Timms, Cllr S Ryan, Cllr H Hughes, Cllr S Edwards & Cllr J Gallacher (11)

COUNCIL MEETING COMMENCED – 7.30pm

AGENDA ITEM		ACTION
1	<p><u>INTRODUCTION BY CHAIR</u></p> <p>The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p> <p>The newly re-elected Chair, Cllr G Jones, welcomed the Council's newly co-opted Councillor, Cllr J Gallacher, the press and Coedpoeth resident Deborah Roberts, The Village Barber, who was later awarded 'Villager of the Year' for 2015 for her continued work in the village and for the community. Deborah was given £50. A framed certificate would be awarded soon.</p>	Clerk
2	<p><u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u></p> <p>Cllr B Williams, Cllr G Price</p>	
3.	<p><u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u></p> <p>None</p>	
4	<p><u>MINUTES</u></p> <p><u>April 14th 2015 – Full Council Meeting</u> That the Minutes be approved as a true and correct record.</p> <p>Proposed: Cllr J Hinchliffe Seconded: Cllr A Wyatt Unanimous</p>	
	<p><u>Matters Arising from the Minutes</u></p> <p>None</p>	
5	<p><u>CLERK'S REPORT</u></p> <p>The Council noted the following which were for information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Members' attendance records. B. Analysis of income. C. The Clerk's action points and progress made. D. The updates on four planning applications. E. The re-arrangement of the Dog Fouling Public Meeting. F. Coedpoeth Cubs planting the hanging baskets. 	

	<p>G. The High Street sign that has been ordered. H. The new display board in the Adwy. I. The Internal Audit. J. 'Coedpoeth Soup' arranged for May 14th at the Golden Lion. K. Wrexham Town and Community Council Forum on June 11th. L. OWL - Online Watch Link as suggested by PCSO Sarah Roberts. www.owl.co.uk M. The new VE day flag purchased for the Old Carnegie Library for May 8th. N. The meeting with the vicar of St. Tudfil's Church arranged for June 10th.</p>	
<p>6</p>	<p><u>CLERK'S REPORT (cont'd)</u></p> <p><u>Council approved the following:</u></p> <p><u>6.01) The Schedule of Payments to May 12th 2015 totalling £30,260.22 (excluding VAT), including £9314 for Memorial Gates</u></p> <p>Proposed: Cllr M Dixon Seconded: Cllr K Woodward</p> <p>Unanimous</p> <p><u>6.02) Petition to install a pedestrian crossing over A525</u></p> <p>A discussion took place and it was decided that the Councillor bring a formal proposal to the next meeting along with a petition.</p> <p>Deferred to next meeting.</p> <p><u>6.03) Stone inscription for Memorial Park</u></p> <p>As there is more work to be done, it was proposed:</p> <p><u>That Cllr A Wyatt write to the Poppy Appeal and to Grahame Davies for more information regarding the translation</u></p> <p>Proposed: Cllr M Dixon Seconded: Cllr H Hughes Unanimous</p> <p><u>6.04) Playable Places Terms of Reference</u></p> <p>A discussion took place about the Terms of Reference relating to the Parks and Playspaces group.</p> <p><u>6.05) Spider's Lane Solar-Powered Light</u></p> <p>Previously approved by Council in March, subject to receiving further information, this installation was to go ahead. The press would be attending the site after installation.</p> <p><u>6.06) WCBC Car Parks</u></p> <p>In an effort to try to counter the blocking of a valuable village</p>	<p>Cllr AW</p> <p>Cllr AW</p> <p>Clerk</p>

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	<p>resource this Council authorises Madam Clerk to canvass support from all WCBC Community Councils and adjacent FCC Community Councils with a view to making a joint proposal for Borough Council car-parks to become free but time limited by displayed ticket.</p> <p><u>That the Clerk be requested to investigate this issue with other Community Councils</u></p> <p>Proposed: Cllr M Dixon Seconded: Cllr T Wyatt Unanimous</p> <p><u>6.07) The Care Group</u></p> <p>WCBC Cllr Krista Childs would like Council to consider a discounted rate for the Care Group.</p> <p><u>In light of this Council not having a policy regarding Charity groups at present, we cannot support this.</u></p> <p>Proposed: Cllr M Dixon Seconded: Cllr J Hinchliffe Unanimous</p> <p><u>6.08) The Bench</u></p> <p><u>That Council sites the bench on Heol Celyn in front of the Adwy shops</u></p> <p>Proposed: Cllr J Hinchliffe Seconded: Cllr S Davies Unanimous</p> <p><u>6.09) August Meeting</u></p> <p>Cllr Hinchliffe would like a return to this discussion.</p> <p>Deferred to a future meeting.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk Cllr SD</p>
<p>7</p>	<p><u>COUNCIL MATTERS</u></p> <p>The following matters were presented or discussed:</p> <p><u>a) Planning Permission -</u></p> <p><u>b) War Memorial Park Gates – VC, Cllr T Wyatt</u></p> <p>Cllr Wyatt explained that there would be a meeting of the Gates Committee on Monday 11th May. Groundwork was due to be completed w/c 4th May. This had turned out to be more expensive than anticipated mainly due to technical aspects of the work so there would be further fundraising to ensure the project costs would not exceed funds available. There had been complaints that the</p>	

park had been inaccessible (despite the entrance on Middle Road remaining open at all times). During planned reinstallation of the gates, w/c 18th May there would be a further closure of the entrance but the date would be publicised in advance to avoid more complaints. There had been a delay in receiving the website. Cllr Wyatt wanted the Council to know that there remained a lot more work to do on this project after the Gates had been returned.

The Salvation Army Band were unavailable for the re-opening ceremony as unfortunately was Bradley Brass Band.

One of HLF committee members, Dr Rhian Thomas would like to attend the ceremony as a representative of the Heritage Lottery Fund.

c) Cemetery Long-Term Options Project - Cllrs J Hinchliffe and K Woodward

Interim report from Cllr J Hinchliffe and Cllr K Woodward (pending a meeting in the next few days).

Cllrs had studied the comprehensive report prepared by the previous Clerk and would be incorporating the conclusions into their final report, to be presented to the Council in July.

The next step would be to sit down with the Cemetery Superintendent and canvass his views on the future of the Cemetery. He knows it better than anyone currently involved in the Council and they would be keen to involve him in this project.

There would also be visits to other cemeteries and discussions with other Community Councils who run them.

Cllrs expect there would be a full debate on the Long-term Options at the July meeting, and perhaps a separate meeting may need to be arranged in order to explore the subject fully.

d) Parks and Playspaces - VC, Cllr T Wyatt/Cllr R Timms

More meetings had taken place as a new quote was needed for the removal of tarmac. The group would possibly miss the July deadline. The additional gate was discussed and Chair Cllr G Jones informed Council that he would meet with the planning department of WCBC soon. More investigation was needed as to why vehicles needed access through the renovated gates. The clerk would speak to WCBC's Andy Hughes. The clerk agreed to write again to a contracting firm as well as to ask other Community Councils for advice.

The Playable Places group would be trying to raise extra funds to improve the tennis court through Aviva and need votes. Playable Places already had a sum of money to improve the Memorial Park but were struggling to stretch the funds to do both park and tennis court. Residents were asked to vote and share on Aviva's website.

The next meeting of Playable Places group would be May 13th at 6pm. There would be a meeting with Carla Hughes from WCBC on May 8th.

e) Sharing the Workload - Cllr J Hinchliffe

The Council's many initiatives were increasing in number all the time and the necessity to spread this workload evenly round the fourteen Members was becoming urgent.

Areas of activity were volunteered for by Members at last year's May Meeting but to update this: Cllrs Williams (2) and Shaw had been taken off the allocation list. Cllrs Woodward and Hinchliffe continued to work on the Cemetery Project, Cllrs

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	<p>Wyatt, Davies, Jones and Timms on the Parks and Playspaces, Cllr Dixon on Street Lighting and related issues, Cllrs Jones and Wilson were involved in the Cemetery Lodge, Cllr Wyatt was heavily involved in the WW1 Commemoration/Memorial Gates projects.</p> <p>Other areas of activity were available to the remaining Members of Council. Dog Fouling Campaign had been added for this year. Cllrs Edwards, Hinchliffe and Timms were currently involved.</p> <p>The Christmas Lights and Markets Group, which may or may not get started in the village in the next few weeks, was completely separate from the Council and aimed at raising funds to provide the above amenities this Christmas, but would presumably liaise with the designated Cllr in due course.</p> <p>Cllr were asked to decide one or two areas by June.</p> <p><u>f) Dog Fouling Campaign – Cllr J Hinchliffe</u> The Public Meeting on Dog Fouling was held on April 29th, with Cllrs Edwards, Hinchliffe and Timms in attendance. A small number of keen residents attended and an outline plan of campaign agreed, based on extensive information gathered from external sources by the Cllrs present. The next meeting would be at the end of May, and the campaign was to be launched in June and run over the Summer in specific areas around the village where the problem was deemed to be most serious. Cllr Sheila Edwards had volunteered to lead the group. Thanks were extended to Cllrs Edwards, Timms and to some residents/members of the War Memorial Gates' committee.</p>	ALL
8	<p><u>COMMUNITY MATTERS</u></p> <p>Updates had been received from community groups.</p> <p><u>Friends of the Parish Hall –</u> VAT is not involved in the purchase of the defibrillator. The Friends would apply in the next two weeks for the Call Push Rescue Training Kit which would include a Public Access Defibrillator. They would donate the £400 required for this.</p> <p>The current crop of Friends would be leaving the organisation shortly. New members were urgently needed. An appeal had been placed on the Coedpoeth and FoPH facebook pages. It would be helpful if a Cllr were involved. The constitution allows for two maximum.</p> <p><u>Penygelli School -</u> Chair, Cllr G Jones had attended a meeting at school.</p> <p><u>Ysgol Bryn Tabor -</u> Forward planning:- on Saturday June 13th, there would be a Summer Fayre.</p>	
9	<p><u>POLICING MATTERS</u></p> <p>Sergeant Rhian Hughes and PCSO Sarah Roberts attended the meeting to inform</p>	

	Council of the latest statistics for the area as well as an update on OWL - Online Watch Link.	
10	<u>WREXHAM COUNTY BOROUGH MATTERS</u> County Councillors were unable to attend.	
11	<u>PRESS/PUBLICITY</u>	
12	<u>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</u>	
13	<u>FUTURE MEETINGS –</u> Tuesday June 16 th 2015, 7.30pm - Full Council Meeting.	

MEETING FINISHED – 9.36 pm

Helen Belton Clerk to the Council

APPROVED