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Minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 14th January, 2015. Councillor D. Dimond, Chairman.

Present: Councillors D. Dimond, C. Holmes, D. Evans, J. B. Johnson, H. J. David and M. Goudge.

1. Apologies: Councillors J. Short, M. Grabham and C. Howe.

2. Declarations of interest received in writing: Cllrs. H. J. David, M. Goudge, D. Dimond and D. Evans declared an interest in all matters concerning the Cefn Cribwr Community Association as members of that organisation. Cllr. H. J. David declared an interest in all planning matters as a member of Bridgend County Borough Council. Cllr. H. J. David declared an interest in all matters concerning the Y Cefn Gwyrdd as a member of that organisation.

3. Minutes: The minutes of the Cefn Cribwr Community Council meeting of Wednesday 12th December, 2014, were adopted and signed as a true record.

4. Matters arising:

Cynffig Comprehensive School Christmas Concert: Cllrs. D. Dimond and H. J. David reported that they had attended this event, which had been a credit to the School and the locality and proved most enjoyable.

Christmas Decorations: The Members discussed Cllr. Grabham suggestions (by email) concerning increasing the Festive Lighting Scheme throughout the village. Given the impending County Borough Council cuts that will impact upon the Community Councils budget, it was agreed that the scheme should not be increased at present. Cllr. M. Goudge suggested that a competition might be run, with prizes for the best street / house / group of houses Christmas decorations, which would hopefully encourage more people to put up external decorations.

5. Footpaths:

The Clerk reported that Mr. P. John had now finished the works to Mountain Lane and FP8. Cllr H. J. David agreed to seek a quotation from BCBC to resurface Mountain Lane. Once this is received, the Clerk will investigate what funding might be available.

6. Clerk's Report:

Correspondence:	Council noted the following items:
Clerks & Councils Direct.	
Royal Welsh Comrades As	ssociation Bridgend Branch - £50 donation agreed.

Bills for payment:

Clerks Salary for December '14 (S. P 27):	£313.35
HMRC:	£78.40
Mr. W. Evans, Memorial Cleaning Nov & Dec '14:	£50.00

Planning

Applications: Mrs. D. Radcliffe, Tir Hir, Rogers Lane: Barn Conversion. *Planning Correspondence:* BCBC Margam Opencast Coal Site update – by email

Financial Statement:		
As on 11 th January, 2015.		
Community Account		£349.10
Deposit Account (B.M.M)		£25,715.20
TOTAL		£26,064.30
Current Liabilities (in no particular order):		
Budgetary Items to March '15	£18,000.00	
Bills for payment January '15	441.75	
	£18,441.75	
Available undesignated Surplus / (Deficit)		£7,622.55

7. Members Reports:

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Cllr. C. J. Holmes reported that Mrs. V. Pole believes she has found another person who should be recorded at the War Memorial. It was agreed that once the Clerk receives the information from Mrs. Pole he should pass it on to Mrs. C. Griffiths who can investigate the validity of the application.

Cllr. H. J. David reminded Council that BCBC budget cuts are going to have a severe impact on public service provision throughout the County Borough. There will be a need for Council to take on and fund extra responsibilities if they wish to preserve certain frontline services in Cefn Cribwr. We await further information in due course.

Cllr. J. B. Johnson reported that the step into the bus shelter opposite the Common is very high, is a danger to public safety and does not meet with DDA requirements. It was noted that the level of the bus shelter has not changed since it was built in the 1950's / 1960's. Cllr. H. J. David agreed to report this matter to BCBC.

8. War Memorial, Pentice site and Bus Shelters:

The Clerk reported that the works to the Common Entrance, Bus Shelters and Pentice site are now complete with the exception of painting due to the weather.

The works to the Memorial Shelter to remove the asbestos will commence the first week of February.

It was agreed that the Clerk should send a suitable gift to Mrs. S. Evans from the Community Council to thank her for all her hard work to realise the completion of these projects.

9. A.O.B.:

Cllr. H. J. David reported that The Three Horseshoes had been sold for re-development.

Cllr. D. Dimond reported that the Caretaker of the School would like to have some daffodil bulbs this year if possible.

Cllr. D. Dimond asked what could be done about the derelict houses in the village. It was agreed that the Clerk would ask BCBC for an update in this matter.

10. Date of Next Meeting: 7pm, Wednesday 11th February, 2015 at the Cefn Cribwr Community Centre.

David Lloyd Jones, Clerk, January 2015.