

CEFN CRIBWR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 9th October 2019.

Chairman: Councillor C. Holmes.

Present: Councillors C. Holmes, D. Evans, H. J. David, V. Jones, A. Beckett, K. G. Burnell, H. Matthews, J. Short, and D. Dimond.

Bridgend County Borough Council budget consultation: Prior to the regular business of Council commencing the Members took part in the BCBC budget consultation.

1. Apologies: Councillor D. Gordon.

2. Declarations of interest received in writing:

Cllrs. H. J. David, D. Dimond and D. Evans declared an interest in all matters concerning the Cefn Cribwr Community Association as members of that organisation.

Cllrs. H. J. David and A. Beckett declared an interest in all matters concerning Y Cefn Gwyrdd as members of that organisation.

Cllr. K. G. Burnell declared an interest in all matters concerning the Cefn Cribwr Sports & Social Club as Secretary of that organisation.

Cllrs. D. Dimond and K. G. Burnell declared an interest in all matters concerning Cefn Cribwr Primary School.

Cllrs. H. J. David and K. G. Burnell declared an interest in all matters concerning the Cefn Cribwr Gardening Club 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 Cefn Cribwr Athletic Club as a member of that organisation.

Cllrs. H. J. David and J. Short declared an interest in all matters concerning the Cefn Cribwr Sports & Social Club as a member of that organisation.

3. Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting of Cefn Cribwr Community Council held on Wednesday 18th September 2019 were adopted and signed as a true record.

4. Matters arising:

Bench at Tai Thorn: The Clerk reported that the bench had been installed. Cllr. K. G. Burnell commented that he had not had an opportunity to use the bench yet due to the recent inclement weather. However, he, and the other Members all agreed that it was both a practical and aesthetically pleasing addition to the street scene.

5. Footpaths:

Council noted that a Public Local inquiry regarding the addition of a footpath leading from Heol Goedog to FP 13, definitive map modification order no.2 2016 would take place at Bridgend County Borough Council's Offices at 10.00 am on Wednesday 16th October 2019.

Cllr. H. J. David reported that discussions are ongoing between Dwr Cymru and BCBC regarding the creation of a public right of way between Heol Goedog and Green Meadow.

6. Clerk's Report:

Correspondence: Council noted the following:

Local Democracy and Boundary Commission – Review of electoral arrangements for BCBC.

Bills for payment:

Clerks Salary for September '19 (S.P. 27):	£464.88
HMRC:	£9.60
Transact Pensions:	£116.22
Mr. W. Evans: Cleaning Memorial Shelter (Sept' 19):	£43.33
BCLC: Summer Active 4 Life - Centre Hire Fee:	£1,000.00
P.J.Landscapes: Footpath Maintenance:	£600.00

Financial Statement: Council noted the financial statement for the period ending the 17th September 2019.

Planning:*Applications:*

Mr. B. Wong, 58 Cefn Road: Proposed alterations and rear side extension.

Mr. A. Clemett, Field at bottom of Heol Goedog: Steel framed barn to store hay and machinery.

Mr. S. Baker, 3 Ty Fry Road: Detached two storey building (garden room / office) with dormers to front and rear and patio doors / balcony on side elevation.

7. Conclusion of External Audit 2018 -19:

The Clerk reported he had received the audit report from BDO (external Auditor). The report listed two minor issues which Council noted. The Clerk confirmed that he had placed the Notice of Conclusion of the Audit in the notice board by the due date.

8. Remembrance Sunday – Sunday 10th November 2019:

The Clerk circulated a draft order of service, which, with some minor amendments, was approved. It was agreed The Clerk would continue to make the final arrangements.

9. Members Report:

Pact Meeting: Cllr. H. J. David confirmed the next PACT meeting was scheduled for 5th December at Pyle Life Centre.

Three Horse Shoes: Cllr. H. J. David reported that the Three Horse Shoes had opened and was proving very popular with lots of positive comments regarding the internal features and particularly the displays of historic artefacts and local memorabilia.

Iron Works: Cllr. H. J. David reported that BCBC had received consent from CADW to undertake the necessary works which will hopefully commence imminently. Once they have been completed the site will once again be safe to open to the public.

Pupil development grants: Cllr. H. J. David reported that Parents and guardians of children who need help purchasing essential school supplies are being reminded that financial support is available thanks to a Welsh Government grant. Administrated by Bridgend County Borough Council, the Pupil Development Grant is specifically designed to support families on low incomes with children who are entitled to free school meals. Eligible children can use the funding to purchase school coats, shoes, uniforms, bags, stationery, sport kits, trainers and more. It can also be used to buy items necessary for out-of-hours school activities such as waterproof clothing or equipment and uniforms required for dance classes, guides, scouts, martial arts and other sports. The grant is available for pupils entering Reception, Year Three, Year Seven and Year Ten and includes primary, secondary and special schools, resource bases and pupil referral units. Up to £125 is available for each eligible pupil, while children who are entering Year Seven can claim up to £200.

Kenfig Nature Reserve: Cllr. H. J. David reported that the Kenfig Trust had been unable to find a new tenant to take responsibility for the Kenfig Nature Reserve despite BCBC giving the trustees eight years notice that they would not be renewing their lease. Given the significance of the site, which is a SSSI, BCBC are continuing to work with the Trustees, in the short term, to allow more time for a suitable group to be found to take on the day

to day management of the site. Cllr. K. G. Burnell suggested that residents of Cefn Cribwr have an interest in the nature reserve as it is one of the major focuses for outdoor activities for them. Furthermore, lots of residents will have historic ties with the reserve going back a very long time. Cllr. K. G. Burnell suggested that representatives from Cefn Cribwr should be involved in decisions regarding the future of the reserve should an appropriate forum for such a conversation come about.

Former Ambulance Hall & Athletic Club site: Cllr. H. J. David reported that due to a problem with an adjoining landowner the developers will be submitting an amended planning application for the site. An application is also being made to the Welsh Government Social Housing Fund which it is hoped will be successful. After which the project should be able to progress.

10. Any other business:

Cae Gof CAT proposal: The Clerk reported that he and the Chairman had recently attend a meeting regarding proposals to transfer the Cae Gof playing fields and sports pavilions under a lease agreement to the current users; Cefn Cribwr Athletic Club and Cefn Cribwr Football Club. They would then be responsible for the ongoing day to day management of the community asset including repair, building maintenance, ground maintenance, health and safety, compliance, etc. BCBC do have funding available to help groups make the transition and to improve the facilities. The Athletic Club and Football Club are working together to progress this at present, although it is still early days. It was acknowledged that BCBC no longer have the resources to run or maintain their portfolio of sports facilities. The Members of the Community Council agreed in principle that they would like to support this initiative and may be able to draw down some funding. However, it was acknowledged that there is still a lot of work that needs to be done before the Community Council could commit any resources. We await further information in due course.

11. Date and time of next meeting:

Wednesday 13th November 2019 at 7.00 pm

David Lloyd Jones, Clerk, October 2019.

Signed..... date.....