

CEFN CRIBWR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 11th January 2023 via Zoom.

Chairman: Councillor C. Holmes.

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

In attendance: Mr. D-L Jones (Clerk) and Mr. S. Kendall.

1. Apologies: There were no apologies.

Vacancy: The Clerk confirmed that BCBC Electoral Dept had issued The Notice of Casual Vacancy, if an election is not required Council will be able to co-opt at the February meeting.

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

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

Cllrs. H. J. David and K. G. Burnell declared an interest in all matters concerning the Cefn Cribwr Gardening Club as a member 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 K. G. Burnell and D. Dimond declared an interest in all matters concerning Cefn Cribwr Primary School as a member of the Governing Body.

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

Cllr. K. G. Burnell declared an interest in all matters concerning Bedford Park as a relation of a member of staff.

3. Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting of Cefn Cribwr Community Council held on Wednesday 20th December 2022, were adopted and signed as a true record.

4. Matters arising:

Arrangements for Meetings: The Clerk reported that he and the Chairman were currently attending the meeting from the Community Centre using a Meta Portal TV device. It was hoped that if this went well the Community Council could move to hybrid meetings from February. At the end of the meeting it was agreed that the Meta Portal had worked well and that from February future meetings would take place in a hybrid format from the Community Centre.

Code of Conduct Training: The Clerk reminded Members of the obligation to attend this training every five years and will circulate a list of future opportunities to undertake the training in due course.

Iron Works: It was agreed the Clerk would ask for an update from Claire Hamm BCBC.

5. Footpaths:

Footpath between John Street and Dale View: It was agreed the Clerk would ask for an update regarding this on-going dispute.

6. Clerk's Report:

Correspondence: Council noted the following:

Clerks & Councils Direct

The Clerk

Bills for payment:

Clerks Salary for Dec'22 (S.P. 24):	£560.21
HMRC:	£140.20
Transact Pensions:	£140.05
Mr. W. Evans: Cleaning Memorial Shelter (Dec '22):	£43.33
P J Landscapes: Annual Maintenance of Mountain Lane:	£800.00
Boverton Nurseries: Daffodil Bulbs:	£1,206.00

Financial Statement:

Council noted the financial statement for the period ending the 30th December 2022.

Planning:

Applications:

Mrs L Thorne,1 Blackfield Row Cefn Cribwr: Remove conservatory; construct single storey rear extension; two storey side extension; side porch. *Council made observations regarding the intensification of development at this location given the know highway issues: visibility, speed of traffic and complexity of road layout.*

7. Members Report:

PACT Meeting: Cllr. K. G. Burnell reported he had been unable to attend the recent PACT meeting held in December at Pyle Life Centre. He hoped very much to be available for the next meeting.

Warm Hubs: Cllr. H. J. David reported that he had circulated a list of events which provided warm spaces in the area with opportunities for community interactions, food and hot drinks.

Cefn Cribwr Community Centre: Cllr. H. J. David reported that work to underpin the wall at the rear of the Community Centre was ongoing. It had also been agreed to instal a new path and gate on the western side of the Centre as part of the work.

Cefn Cribwr Primary School: Cllr. H. J. David reported that a considerable amount of work has be undertaken to the classrooms in the junior department of the school. It was noted that the school is among the oldest in the County Borough, and as such, does require maintenance from time to time.

Former Co-op: Cllr. H. J. David reported that Officers of BCBC had been trying to contact the owner of the building to ask for remedial works to be undertaken.

93 Cefn Road: Cllr. H. J. David reported that Environmental Health Officers had been in touch with the new owner of the property and work to improve the condition of the property will be undertaken, the garden having already been cleared.

Pyle Swimming Pool: Cllr. H. J. David reported that a significant improvements had been undertaken to increase energy efficiency and refurbish the changing rooms to include family and accessible changing rooms together with additional equipment to improve accessibility to the pool.

Pyle & Kenfig Hill Veterans Association: Cllr. H. J. David reported that this new group meets every Saturday morning at Pyle British Legion.

8. Christmas Decorations:

Santa and his Reindeers lighting display: Cllr. H. J. David reported that he had received correspondence from a resident enquiring if the lighting display, which had been such a feature in previous years thanks to Mr. M. Reynolds, could be installed somewhere in the village and if the Community Council would support this. Cllr. David confirmed that Mr. J. Davies had been trying to organise this but there had been difficulties finding a suitable location which had a power supply. The Members of the Community Council agreed they would very much like to support this and Cllr. H. J. David agreed to liaise with Mr. Davies and the Clerk.

Christmas Trees: The Clerk reported that positive feed back had been received regarding the quality of the Christmas Trees, however there had been conflicting views expressed regarding either end of the village being favoured with a nicer trees than the other. A brief discussion took place regarding the possibility of planting permeant trees. However there are difficulties with the location – we don’t own the areas they are erected at – and the cost of moving the power supply so the tree roots don’t effect it or the other services / utilities which are located nearby by.

Switch On: There was a brief discussion regarding an event to switch on the Christmas Lights, it was agreed to defer this to a future meeting.

9. Town & Community Council Fund:

The Clerk reported he was proceeding, as previously agreed, with an application to the Town & Community Council Fund for a grant to resurface another section of Mountain Lane.

10. Any other business:

Hedge at Cae Gof: Cllr. D. Evans observed that the hedge at Cae Gof, which abounds Cefn Road, had been cut extremely well by the contractor on this occasion.

11. Date and time of next meetings:

Wednesday 8th February 2023 at 7.00 pm at Cefn Cribwr Community Centre and via Zoom.

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David Lloyd Jones, Clerk, January 2023.

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