

CEFŃ CRIBWR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 12th May 2021 via Zoom.

Chairman: Councillor C. Holmes.

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

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

1. Apologies: There were no apologies.

2. Declarations of interest received in writing:

Cllrs. H. J. David, D. Evans and D. Dimond 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.

Cllr. H. J. David declared an interest in all matters concerning the Cefn Cribwr Sports & Social 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 Members of the Governing Body.

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.

Cllr. D. Evans declared an interest in the planning application for Claren House as a neighbour of that property.

3. Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting of Cefn Cribwr Community Council held on Wednesday 7th April 2021 were adopted and signed as a true record.

4. Matters arising:

93 Cefn Road: Cllr. H. J. David reported that essential health and safety work at 93 Cefn Road had now commenced. Extra work has been identified which will take slightly longer to complete than the four weeks initially anticipated.

Community Pantry: Cllr. H. J. David reported that the Community Pantry will open at the Community Centre on the 28th May. A training session for volunteers will take place on the 18th May and new volunteers are welcome.

Bus shelter near Cefn Cribwr Primary School: The Clerk reported he had been in contact with Mr. K. Sales at BCBC who had apologised for the delay. A new 'works order' has been issued and we await further information in due course.

School Modernisation Program: Cllr. H. J. David reported that the Public Notice regarding the proposals had been issued which gives stakeholders and the public the opportunity to submit their views.

5. Footpaths:

The Clerk reported that Mr. John had completed the first cut of the footpath network.

6. Clerk's Report:

Correspondence: Council noted the following:

Clerks & Councils Direct.

The Clerk.

BCBC – Town & Community Council Grant.

Bills for payment:

Clerks Salary for April '21 (S.P. 23):	£499.89
HMRC:	£125.00
Transact Pensions:	£124.97
Mr. W. Evans: Cleaning Memorial Shelter (April '21):	£43.33
P J Landscapes: Footpath Maintenance:	£600.00

Planning:

Applications:

Mrs. K. Wilkins, Claren House, Cefn Road: Demolish part of outbuilding; Two storey rear extension (link existing dwelling to reduced outbuilding) with single storey element into rear garden.

Mr. H. Murray, 2 Pleasant View: Alterations to existing ground floor layout; first floor extension to the rear over existing bathroom to provide bathroom and bedroom at first floor.

Approvals:

Mr. J. Hardwick, Winds Whisper, Cefn Road: Single storey ground floor extension to rear.

Mr. A. Jakubowski, 26 Bedford Road: Two storey extension to rear of dwelling (resubmission of P/20/837/FUL).

Mr. L. Parish, 23 Heol Shon: Single storey side/front extension to include porch.

7. Members Report:

Cefn Cribwr Gardening Club: Cllr. K. G. Burnell reported that Cefn Cribwr Gardening Club will be holding a Plant Sale on the 22nd May at 2 Bryn Terrace.

One Voice Wales: Council noted the report of Cllr. D. Evans.

Town & Community Council Forum: Cllr. D. Evans reported that he had been unable to attend the recent meeting.

Covid Vaccinations: Cllr. H. J. David reported that the vaccination programme is making remarkable progress with everyone over the age of eighteen now able to be vaccinated.

Cefn Cribwr Community Centre: Cllr. H. J. David reported that the Community Centre is now able to open. Groups commencing over the next few weeks include: Community Pantry, Tai Chi, Karate, Pilates, Yoga, Ab Fab Dance Fitness, Fitness & Wellbeing Program by the BMA Academy. The Centre is also available for private bookings, etc.

Cefn Cribwr Primary School: Cllr. H. J. David reported that Cefn Cribwr Primary School had achieved an Eco Schools Platinum Green Flag Award for the fourth year in a row due to it's commitment to environmental education which forms the core of the school's ethos.

Local Health Board: Cllr. H. J. David reported that the Local Health Board had received £30 Million in funding to deal with the back-log caused by the Covid 19 pandemic. As well as tackling waiting lists, funding is also available to support those suffering from isolation and mental health issues and will be focused across all age groups.

Highway maintenance programme 2021/22: Cllr. H. J. David reported that Heol Castell, Heol Shon and Farm Road are included in the programme of works for the next financial year.

8. Community Fibre Partnership:

The Clerk reported that he had received an email from Openreach via Chris Elmore MP. The email contained the log in details for the portal so we can enter the property details ourselves. Cllr. Short expressed his frustration at the general ineptitude of Openreach in this matter. The Clerk agreed to enter the details via the portal.

9. Mountain Lane:

Town & Community Council Fund: The Clerk reported that he had received formal notification of 50% match funding from the Town & Community Council Fund for the resurfacing of Mountain Lane from the War Memorial to the end of the Common. The Clerk had been in touch with Mr. J. Jenkins, BCBC Highway Dept to discuss how best to proceed as the Mountain Lane does form part of the maintainable highway. We await further information in due course.

Avenue of Trees on Mynydd Bach Common: The Clerk reported he had been in communication with Mr. R. Jones, BCBC Ecology Officer, regarding this proposal. Mr. Jones had confirmed that he did not think the Common was a suitable location to plant trees for several reason which he explained in an email which the Clerk circulated. On that basis it was agreed not to proceed any further with this proposal. However, Council did agree that the enhancement of the ecology and environment of the village was something they wished to promote should the opportunity arise and asked the Clerk to make Mr. Jones aware of this should a suitable opportunity present itself in the future.

10. Village Greens:

Council considered again the letter and attachments from Edward Harris Solicitors together with an email from BCBC Planning Department. After some discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposition of Cllr. K. G. Burnell, seconded by Cllr. H. J. David, that Council would not take this matter any further for two reasons: the level of protection already afforded both areas by planning policy; the considerable potential cost of the process.

11. Any other business: There was no other business

12. Date and time of next meetings:

Wednesday 16th June and Wednesday 14th July 2021 at 7.00 pm via Zoom.

David Lloyd Jones, Clerk, May 2021.

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