# **CEFN CRIBWR COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2019. Chairman: Councillor C. Holmes.

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

**1. Apologies:** Councillor J. Short.

#### 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.

Cllrs. H. J. David and D. Gordon declared an interest in all matters concerning the Cefn Cribwr Sports & Social Club 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. 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.

#### 3. Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting of Cefn Cribwr Community Council held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019 were adopted and signed as a true record.

#### 4. Matters arising:

*Demolished flower bed near old Co-op:* It was noted that the landowner has cleared the debris from the flower bed which has been left in a pile. Cllr H. J. David agreed to contact the landowner again an ask what he planned to do to make the area more presentable.

*Bench at Tai Thorn:* Cllr. H. J. David reported that he had spoken to Jason Jenkins (BCBC) about this and a bench would be installed shortly.

*Community Grant Scheme:* The Clerk confirmed that the application form and guidance notes are available via Council's website.

*Parc Slip Opencast Roads:* Cllr. H. J. David reported that it was anticipated that the landowner would be submitting an application regarding the roads to the Welsh Government imminently.

#### 5. Footpaths:

*Footpath Maienetance:* The Clerk reported that Mr. John had completed the second cut of the footpath network.

*Heol Goedog Footpath Modification Order:* As the landowner has appealed the matter will be dealt with by a Public Inquiry in October. This will take place at the offices of BCBC. Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearing and whilst it is at the discretion of the Chairman, it is usual that members of the public are able to address the enquiry.

*Footpaths at the former opencast site:* It was reported that once the future ownership / custodianship and use of the site has been established (hopefully with the Wildlife Trust of South Wales ), BCBC will begin the process of updating the definitive rights of way map with appropriate modification orders.

## 6. Clerk's Report:

The Clerk.

Bills for payment:	
Clerks Salary for April '19 (S.P. 27):	£464.88
HMRC:	£116.20
Transact Pensions:	£116.22
Mr. W. Evans: Cleaning Memorial Shelter (April' 19):	£43.33
One Voice Wales – Chairman Skills training:	£80.00
Boverton Nurseries Ltd – Hanging Baskets:	£1,006.80
BCBC Christmas Lighting (VAT):	£538.52
P. J. Landscapes:	£700.00
AABC Ltd – Website Maintenance:	£188.28

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

## **Planning:**

*Approvals:* Mrs L Phillips, 3 Graig Row: Development of Modular style building at bottom of garden *Appeals & Enforcement Notices:* Land at Mount Pleasant Farm: change of use to car park.

## 7. Approval of the Financial Statements for the period ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019:

Council unanimously approved, on the proposition of Cllr. H. J. David, seconded by Cllr. D. Evans, the Financial Statements for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019 and asked the Chairman to sign the return to the External Auditor on their behalf.

## 8. i. Adoption of revised Standing Orders:

Council unanimously approved, on the proposition of Cllr. D. Gordon, seconded by Cllr. D. Evans, the revised Standing Orders.

#### ii. Adoption of revised Financial Regulations:

Council unanimously approved, on the proposition of Cllr. K. G. Burnell, seconded by Cllr. D. Evans, the revised Financial Regulations.

## 9. Resurfacing of the Pentice Car Park:

The Clerk reported that Mr. N. Minchington is taking this matter forward and it is hoped that the work will be completed by the end of July.

## 10. Summer Play Scheme – Active 4 Life Programme:

The Clerk reported the results of the recent consultation which had taken place. Whilst a huge number of responses had not been received, it was noted that all had been extremely positive in their support and the intended participation of their children in the scheme, should it run. A lengthy discussion took place regarding the cost / benefit to residents that the scheme would provide. It was agreed to proceed with a scheme this year on a 'trial basis' for two weeks. Council would closely monitor uptake of the scheme as 'value for money' must be a priority.

#### 11. Co-option of a Community Councillor: (This item was dealt with at the start of the meeting)

The Clerk reported that he had placed 'The Notice of Vacancy' and had received confirmation for BCBC Electoral Services Dept. that an election had not been requested. Therefore, the decision to co-opt a Community Councillor became the responsibility of the Members of the Community Council.

It was unanimously agreed on the proposition of Cllr. D. Evans, seconded by Cllr. H.J. David to co-opt Mr. Hywel Jeffrey Matthews to the Office of Community Councillor. Cllr. Matthews duly signed the declaration of acceptance of office which was witnessed by the Clerk.

## 12. Community Asset Transfer: Cae Gof Sports Pavilion:

Cllr. H. J. David reported an initial meeting he had recently attended between BCBC, The Athletic Club and the Boys & Girls Club regarding the potential transfer of the Cae Gof Sports Pavilion and sports pitches under the C.A.T. Scheme. It was confirmed that the Bowls Pavilion, Bowls Green and Children's Play Area are not the subject of these discussions. As part of any agreement a management committee would need to be set up and significant repairs and upgrades would need to be made to the sports pavilion. These would have to be funded jointly between the new management committee and

BCBC. It was felt that the Community Council should be involved in the discussions and an invitation had been extended via Cllr. H. J. David for representation by the Community Council. Members agreed in principal that they should support this initiative which has such a significant impact on the life and identity of the village. It was agreed that the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk would represent Council at the next meeting.

#### 13. Councillor Training:

The Chairman reported that he, the Vice Chairman and the Clerk had attended a Chairing Skills Training Session organised by One Voice Wales in Bridgend which had been worthwhile and informative. It was agreed that this training should, if possible, be undertaken by all Chairmen (preferably when the they are Vice Chairman).

It was agreed that Cllrs. K. G. Burnell, A. Beckett, V. Jones and H. Matthews would attend a Code of Conduct Training Session organised by One Voice Wales, the Clerk will co-ordinate this.

A discussion took place regarding bespoke training for all Members. It was agreed that the Clerk would arrange for the delivery of a training session about the work of 'The Council' in September.

#### 14. Members Report:

*Advice Surgery:* Cllr. H. J. David reported that he would be holding an advice surgery on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June at the Community Centre.

*Former Ambulance Hall/ Athletic Club Site:* Cllr. H. J. David reported that matters are progressing and its is hoped that a Housing Grant can be secured from the Welsh Government which will ensure the viability of the development.

*Recycling Centre at Pyle Ind. Est:* Cllr. H. D. David reported that a new recycling centre had been given the go ahead at Pyle Industrial Estate. Before the recycling centre opens improvements will be made to the road infrastructure at the entrance to the estate from the A48 / Pyle Road.

*Open Gardens:* Cllr. H. J. David reported that the village would be taking part in the NGS on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June. Cllr. K. G. Burnell commended this initiative to Council and encouraged as many members as possible to try and attend.

*Blue Flag Beaches:* Cllr. H. J. David reported that four beaches in Porthcawl had been successful in maintaining their Blue Flag accreditation.

*Rest Bay Water Sports Centre:* Cllr. H. J. David reported that the new water sports centre was nearing completion. It is hoped this will be a great asset to the County Borough and the economy of Porthcawl.

*Primary School:* Cllr. H. J. David reported that two of the modular classrooms at Cefn Cribwr Primary School will be replaced over the summer break at a cost of approximately £250K.

*Ford Bridgend:* Cllr. H. J. David reported that following the devesting news that Ford is to close its plant at Bridgend, BCBC are doing all they can to support the workers who will be made redundant.

*PACT Meetings*: Cllr. K. G. Burnell reported that he had been unable to attend the PACT meetings as he didn't know when or where they take place. Cllr. H. J. David confirmed that they are not particularly well advertised and agreed to ask the PCSO team to inform Cllr. Burnell when meetings are scheduled.

#### 15. Any other Business:

*Footpath from Tai Thorn to former reservoir:* Cllr. K. G. Burnell reported that then footpath was in a very poor state of repair. Cllr. H. J. David agreed to report this matter to BCBC.

*Address of Tai Thorn:* Cllr. K. G. Burnell reported that there is considerable confusion regarding the address of Tai Thorn as opposed to Cefn Road which is extremely annoying and frustrating. Cllr. H. J. David agreed to investigate this matter.

#### 16. Date and time of next meetings:

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at 7 pm Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at 7 pm

David Lloyd Jones, Clerk, June 2019.

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