

CEFN CRIBWR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 18th September 2019.

Chairman: Councillor C. Holmes.

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

1. Apologies: Councillors J. Short, and D. Dimond.

2. Declarations of interest received in writing:

Cllrs. H. J. David 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. 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. H. J. David 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 10th July 2019 were adopted and signed as a true record.

4. Matters arising:

Footpath at Tai Thorn: It was noted that the footpath between 4 & 7 Tai Thorn had been resurfaced.

Bench at Tai Thorn: The Clerk reported that the bench had arrived and was in storage in his garage awaiting installation which it was hoped would be in the next week or so.

5. Footpaths:

The Clerk reported that the third cut of the footpath network was currently underway.

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.

6. Clerk's Report:

Correspondence:

The Clerk.

Clerks & Councils Direct.

Bills for payment:

Clerks Salary for August '19 (S.P. 27):	£464.88
HMRC:	£116.20
Transact Pensions:	£116.22
Mr. W. Evans: Cleaning Memorial Shelter (Aug' 19):	£43.33
Mr. N. Minchington: Supervision of Pentice Car Park works:	£700.00
Landcraft Projects Ltd: Pentice Car Park:	TBC
P.J.Landscapes: decoration fo Pentice wall & railings:	£280.00
Reimbursement: D. L Jones, Glasdon Bench at Tai Thorn:	£695.36

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

Planning:

Applications:

BCBC Corporate Director of Education, Cefn Cribwr Primary School: Demolish demountable classroom and various outbuildings; install permeant double classroom and new soft play area.

Mrs. G. Davies, 2 Ty Isaf Road: Two storey side extension and new front porch.

Appeals:

Appeals dismissed

Ref: A/19/3229220 Land at Mount Pleasant Farm, Farm Road, Cefn Cribwr.

7. Presentation from John Rees: *Our Community, love it, don't trash it: (Appendix 2)*

The Chairman welcomed Mr. John Rees, BCBC Cleaner Streets Manger to the meeting.

Mr Rees gave an informative presentation regarding a new initiative to engage primary school children and the wider community in an educational project about litter. The project is supported by, and run in conjunction with, Keep Wales Tidy and Sea Quest. A recent pilot project in Porthcawl had been very well received and had considerably reduced the levels of litter. Town and Community Councils were being asked to contribute £300 towards the cost of the project in their area. It was unanimously agreed to support this initiative on the proposal of Cllr. K. Burnell, seconded by Cllr. A. Beckett.

8. Resurfacing of the Pentice Car Park:

The Clerk reported that the works to re-surface the car park had been completed. Mr. N. Minchington had supervised the contactors and had praised the quality of the workmanship.

During the works it was noted that the planted area on the northern edge of the car park was looking quite untidy and in need of some TLC. The Clerk had discussed various options with Landcraft from removing all the plants and soil and starting again to making good what is already there, which, on balance, seemed the most cost-effective thing to do. Landcraft had provided a quotation of £770.28 to bring the border back up to a reasonable standard and then maintain it for 1 year. It was unanimously agreed to accept the quotation.

9. Summer Play Scheme – Active 4 Life Programme:

The Clerk reported that he had received some information regarding attendance at the scheme. Whilst it was acknowledged that attendance could have been better at the start of the scheme, it had grown steadily over the course of the two weeks which was encouraging. It was agreed to discuss this further as part of the budget setting process by when it was hoped that more qualitative information would be available.

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

The Chairman reported that no election had been requested, therefore the matter now passed to the Community Council. Members unanimously, on the proposition of Cllr. D. Gordon, second by Cllr. D. Evans, confirmed the appointments of Councillors. V. Jones and A. Beckett.

11. Remembrance Sunday – Sunday 10th November 2019:

The Clerk asked Council for their views regarding the arrangements for the Village Act of Remembrance. After a brief discussion it was agreed the Clerk would make the necessary arrangements broadly along the same lines as recent years.

12. Spring Planting Scheme:

The Clerk presented a draft planting scheme for discussion. A few minor adjustments were noted, and Council unanimously accepted the scheme.

Cllr. K. G. Burnell suggested that it might also be nice to plant some tulip bulbs as they last longer and give a variation of colour. It was agreed that this would be a good thing to do and Cllr. Burnell agreed to investigate further with a view to the 2020/21 planting scheme.

13. Members Report:

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

EIOS Bridgend: Cllr. H. J. David reported that the announcement of the new EIOS plant at Brocastle, Bridgend was most welcome. BCBC would continue to do all it could to secure more jobs in the area and help those effected by the closure of Ford as a matter of priority.

One Voice Wales: Cllr. D. Evans reported that he had recently attended the area meeting of One Voice Wales. Beverly Allen from the Public Service Ombudsman Office had given a presentation regarding the work of the PSO. In the previous year they had investigated 280 Code of Conduct complaints. Ms. Allen emphasised the need for all Councillors to keep up to date with statutory requirements and regular training should form part of this.

BCBC Town and Community Council Forum: Cllr. D. Evans reported that he had recently represented Council at a meeting of the Town & Community Council Forum. A presentation had been made by Chief Superintendent Morgan regarding the roll out of Focus Hubs which would merge the emergency services hopefully making them more responsive. Chief Supt. Morgan also briefed members about the South Wales Police strategy to tackle 'County Lines Operations'. This is an ongoing and difficult problem which has a devastating effect on its victims and the wider community.

Bus Passes: Cllr. H. D. David reported the problems being experienced by Transport for Wales due to the demand for renewals of Bus Passes before 31st Dec 2019. It is hoped that the problems will be resolved shortly. The Clerk offered to help anyone who needed assistance with the process.

14. Any other business: There was no other business.

15. Date and time of next meetings:

Wednesday 9th October 2019 at 6.30 pm

Wednesday 13th November 2019 at 7.00 pm

David Lloyd Jones, Clerk, September 2019.

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