

CEFN CRIBWR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 20th July 2022 via Zoom.

Chairman: Councillor C. Holmes.

Present: Councillors C. Holmes, K. G. Burnell, J. Short, A. Beckett, I. Humphries and D. Evans.

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

1. Apologies: Councillors, H. J. David, D. Dimond and A. West.

2. Declarations of interest received in writing:

Cllr. D. Evans declared an interest in all matters concerning the Cefn Cribwr Community Association as members of that organisation.

Cllr K. G. Burnell 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.

Cllr. A. Beckett declared an interest in all matters concerning Y Cefn Gwyrdd as members of that organisation.

3. Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting of Cefn Cribwr Community Council held on Wednesday 15th June 2022, were adopted and signed as a true record.

4. Matters arising:

Iron Works: The Clerk confirmed he had received an updated (circulated) which confirmed the Iron Works would hopefully open again to the public by the end of the Summer. It was agreed the Clerk would ask for another update at the end of August.

Hall Cottage, Ty fry Road: Cllr. K. G. Burnell reported that the occupiers of Hall Cottage had mentioned to him issues with delivery vans turning in their driveway and damaging the grass verge which is part of the Common. It was agreed that Cllr Burnell and the Clerk would have a conversation about this to see what could be done.

5. Footpaths:

Footpath maintenance 2022: Council agreed the second cut of the footpath network should commence over the summer.

Dormice at Bedford Park: The Clerk reported he recently met with the Rights of Way Officer and Ecology Officer to discuss how the footpath at Bedford Park can be maintained, given there are dormice present which are a protected species. It was agreed the footpath could be cut between July and September when dormice tend to nest high up in the trees so are least effected.

Footpath 8: The Clerk reported that Network Rail had asked for an extension of the Closure Order of the footpath where it crosses the railway line.

6. Clerk's Report:

Correspondence: Council noted the following:

Clerks & Councils Direct

The Clerk

Mr. J. Attwood: Letter regarding the former opencast site and the new civic amenity site at Village Farm Ind Est.

Bills for payment:

Clerks Salary for June'22 (S.P. 23):	£508.56
HMRC:	£127.00
Transact Pensions:	£127.14
Mr. W. Evans: Cleaning Memorial Shelter (June '22):	£43.33
P J Landscapes – Decoration of Bus Shelters & Pentice Car Park:	£700.00
Mr. R. Charlton – Internal audit Fee 2022:	£130.00

Approval of the Financial Statements and Annual Return for the year ending 31st March 2022:

Council noted the report of the internal Auditor.

Council unanimously approved, on the proposition of Cllr. K. G. Burnell, seconded by Cllr. A. Beckett, the financial statements and annual governance statement for the year ending 31st March 2022 and asked the Chairman of the meeting to sign the Annual Return to the external auditor on their behalf.

Planning:

Approvals:

Mr C Jones, Old Farmers Arms 24 Cefn Road: Demolition of existing side lean to extension and garage; construct a new single storey side extension to include WCs and storage areas.

7. Finance & Governance Toolkit:

The Clerk reported that he had received the attached document and would be working through the toolkit over the summer for review in the Autumn. All agreed this was a large piece of work; whilst the toolkit is a very large document, hopefully it would mean that Council could be assured of their compliance once the review has been completed.

8. Members Report:

PACT Meetings: Cllr. K. G. Burnell reported he had represented the Community Council, at a recent PACT meeting. Cllr. H. J. David was also present together with Members of Pyle and Cornelly Community Councils, and fifteen members of the public. The main issues highlighted included:

Problems with youth annoyance around Pyle Life Centre.

Inconsiderate parking at Moriah Place.

HGV's driving through the villages.

9. Any other business:

Bus Stop near the Primary School: The Clerk reported that Mr. K. Sales of BCBC had been in contact to confirm that works to the Bus Shelter which had been agreed in 2018 would commence that week. Whilst the price has increased the Community Councils contribution will remain at £1,562.00 as agreed in 2018.

New flats at former St. John's Ambulance Hall: The Clerk reported that the stone planters and new bin have been installed next to the memorial shelter and he had received positive comments from residents.

The Clerk reported that Cllr. A. Beckett and he had visited one of the new residents of the flats who was having difficulty installing the accessible kitchen equipment required. They had explained that the Community Council did not fund individuals but had agreed to follow it up with V2C, which the Clerk had done.

It was reported that several of the new resident at the flats have complained about the trees behind the flats which block out most of the light to those rooms on the north side of the building. Apparently, there are tree preservation orders on the trees and the actual owner of the land cannot be traced.

10. Date and time of next meetings:

Tuesday 6th September 2022 at 7.00 pm via Zoom.

Tuesday 12th October 2022 at 7.00 pm via Zoom.

David Lloyd Jones, Clerk, July 2022.

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