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Minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 8th September 2015. Councillor H. J. David, Chairman.

Present: Councillors J. B. Johnson, D. Evans, H. J. David, D. Dimond, M. Grabham, C. Howe, C. Holmes and J. Short.

1. Apologies: Councillor M. Goudge.

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.

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 Y Cefn Gwyrdd as a member of that organisation.

3. Minutes:

The minutes of the Cefn Cribwr Community Council meeting of Wednesday 8th July 2015 were adopted and signed as a true record.

4. Matters arising:

Re-surfacing Mountain Lane: Cllr. H. J. David reported that he had met with the BCBC Highways Manger & Inspector on site to discuss this matter. It was the opinion of the BCBC Officers that to provide a tarmac surface would be very expensive, however the Members of the Community Council felt that quotations should be sought and then perhaps a long term plan might be formulated as this by-way is certainly very well used and may become more so in the future –particularly by cyclists. Some of the path has also been damaged by a blocked culvert – it was agreed that BCBC will attend to this and also the clearing of the ditches.

Common Bus Shelter Step: Cllr. H. J. David reported that he is awaiting a response form BCBC.

Electrical substation behind Bryn Glass / John Street: The Clerk reported that he had been in discussion with Western Power in regard of this matter. The Substation has now been painted with anti-vandal paint, which seems to be having the desired effect.

5. Footpaths:

- (i) Application for a Modification Order: The Clerk reported that he had received correspondence from Countryside Access Management Ltd who are investigating, on behalf of BCBC, the history on an alleged footpath running from Mountain Lane to Ty-Iasf Road close to Ty-fry Farm. It was confirmed that none of the Members had any knowledge of there ever having been a public footpath in that vicinity (other than those shown on the definitive Map). The Clerk will communicate the same to the interested parties.
- (ii) Modification Order FP8: The Clerk reported that the Foot Path Definitive Map contains a cartographical error that does not match the accompanying narrative, which is correct. It was agreed that this error could wait for correction until the next definitive map is produced as there is no doubt as to the location of FP8 being a continuance of Ty-Isaf Road in a Southerly direction.

The Clerk reported that he had informed Network Rail that a length of FP 8, for which they are responsible, needs to be cut back. In addition, the trees to the East of the railway crossing needed to be cut back to improve visibility.

The Clerk reported that FP 21 had been cut back.

6. Clerk's Report:

Correspondence:

REACH: Proposed Cycling Project (Appendix 1) It was agreed to support this scheme.

Bridgend Court proposed closure (circulated by email) It was agreed to oppose this proposed closure of a vital community service

Clerks & Councils Direct

SLCC: The Clerk

SLCC: Notice of AGM The Pension Regulator

OVW: AGM Proposed Motions

Bills for payment:

Clerks Salary for July & August '15 (S.P. 27): £853.98 HMRC: £261.06

Mr. W. Evans: Cleaning of Memorial Shelter July & August '15: £50.00

P. J. Landscapes: £700.00
BCLC Summer Play Scheme: £1,800.00
Landcraft: final payment for bus shelters: £3,720.00

Planning

Applications:

Hall Cottage, Ty Fry Road: Single and two storey extensions to side and rear.

22 Heol Shon: Conservatory to rear.

18 Bedford Road: extend existing first floor bedroom to rear of property.

Approvals:

Mr. S. Emery, Ael Y Don, Ty Fry Road: Single storey rear extension and two storey domestic extension, detached garage, store, study and gym in rear garden.

Mr. G. Dower, Land at rear of Dale View: One and a half storey dwelling with integral garage.

Appeals:

Mr Butler, 1 Green Meadow P/15/124/RLX: Removal of conditions 4. 5 & 6 of appeal decision to retain radio masts and aerials (Ref: P/11/923/FUL)

Financial Statement:

As on 6th September, 2015.

 Community Account
 £349.24

 Deposit Account (B.M.M)
 £50,375.34

 TOTAL
 £50,724.58

Current Liabilities (in no particular order):

Budgetary Items to March '16£13,000.00Bills for payment September '15£7,385.04£20,385.04

Available undesignated Surplus / (Deficit) £30,339.54

7. Members Reports:

Cllr. C. Howe reported that he and Cllr. Short had recently represented the Community Council at a Civic Service for the Mayor of the County Borough of Bridgend. It had been a most enjoyable occasion and a very pleasant afternoon.

Cllr. D. Evans reported that he had recently attended an area meeting of One Voice Wales at which the expanding role of town and community councils to fill the inevitable voids due the cuts in services currently provided by the County Borough Council was discussed. It was acknowledged that funding of these services would obviously be a challenge.

8. War Memorial, Pentice site and Bus Shelters:

The Clerk reported that the repair of the stonework to the memorial shelter still needs to be completed, once this is work has been undertaken, the project will be complete.

The Clerk reported that he was seeking quotations for the landscaping of the borders at the Pentice.

9. Daffodil Bulbs:

The Clerk presented a planting scheme for the forthcoming year. It was unanimously agreed to accept the proposed scheme.

10. Community Notice Board:

The Clerk reported that he and Cllr. C. Holmes had recently met with Mr. K. Burnell at the Sports and Social Club. The Committee of the Sports and Social Club have agreed to Councils request to install a Community Notice Board at the front of their building. They would also like to purchase an identical board to advertise their events. It was unanimously agreed that the Community Council would purchase two notice boards and give one to the Sports and Social Club as an act of goodwill for their help and support in this matter.

11. A.O.B.:

Footpath 40 - Bryn Glass / John Street: Cllr. M. Grabham reported that this path is in a very poor state of repair and is quite dangerous. The Clerk will report this matter to BCBC right of way dept.

Grass at Common: It was reported that this has now been cut by a local farmer.

Bridle path – Law Street to Bedford Road: Cllr C. Holmes that there are low hanging branches along the entire length of the path that are hazardous to riders. Cllr. H. J. David agreed to report the matter to BCBC.

Christmas Decorations: Cllr. D. Dimond reported that she would like to organise a village competition for the best Christmas Decorations which would hopefully encourage more people to externally decorate their homes and give a more festive atmosphere throughout the village. It was agreed to discuss this at the next meeting.

Parking Bays at Gwelfor: Cllr. H. J. David reported that an estimate of £24,000 had been received for the creation of 10 parking bays at Gwelfor. A contribution of £8,000 is required from the Community Council if this project is to go ahead. It was unanimously agreed on the proposition of Cllr. C. Howe, seconded by Cllr. C. Holmes to accept this quotation and proceed as soon as possible.

12. Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 14th October 2015 at 7 pm at the Cefn Cribwr Community Centre.

David Lloyd Jones, Clerk, September 2015.