CYNGOR CYMUNED CAPEL CURIG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held at 19.00hrs on Wednesday 1st December 2021

Present: Gethin Davies – Chairman

Gareth Dwyer – Vice Chairman

Marian Lloyd - Roberts

Shan Ashton Peter Smith – Clerk.

Apologies: Elwyn Jones

Elen Wyn Roberts Cllr Liz Roberts

Minutes of last meeting:

The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 20th October 2021 were approved without amendments

Matters Arising:

The Playground:

Nothing new to report. SA to chase up.

Relocation of Royal Mail Collection Box:

Nothing new to report however the letter box number and correct post code has now been given to Royal Mail

Overnight Parking in Layby's

To be dealt with as an agenda item in the meeting.

Sewage outflow at Bryn Glo Layby

Meeting held with Natural Resources Wales during the month and Dŵr Cymru seemed to have been flushing out some pipework and testing the network for storm water flows. However, it was noted that they were testing storm water flows during a dry period. No official communications from any authorities during the month. It was agreed to keep up the pressure via social media as and when sewage outflows occur.

Dog Bins at Bryn Engan entrance:

After repeated representations to Conwy Council, Conwy will not supply a blue bin, will not empty a dog bin if this council erected one and will not consider emptying a dog even if this council offered to pay Conwy to empty the bin even though they already empty a bin at Pont Cyfyng on a regular basis. Councillors felt this was unsatisfactory and we should highlight the issue via social media

Planning Applications: – difficulty accessing links to planning applications:

Dewi Wyn Roberts – Senior Planning Technician at SNP contacted Clerk and said he had had several complaints – he hoped to rectify the situation and would contact clerk again when the work was complete – possibly issuing a set of guidance notes.

Street Lighting:

No work has yet commenced. In reply to a query from ER the following reply was received from Conwy.

'Sorry for the delay, I am waiting for the quotes to come back, I am on leave from the 3rd to the 10th.

I have asked for a proposal for a solar wind option for Capel Curig but again the reply is slow.

Richard is going to do the work but I believe is currently off poorly.

The suppliers must have plenty of business!!

I am at the mercy of officers but I keep on nagging as that is all I can do. The light by Brian (Jones' house is going ahead possibly Feb next year but that one has been agreed'

Correspondence:

The Clerk reported the following planning applications had been received:Application Number NP4/13/61B Proposed erection of 11KV substation in Capel Curig Car
Park (behind Joe Browns) Councillors raised no objection to this application however it was
agreed that it should be a condition that any works were completed by Easter 2022 as
parking was limited in that area. It was also suggested that a height restriction barrier
should be erected to limit access to domestic cars only and minibuses only

James Burton from Plas y Brenin had requested time to address the council on a proposed family bike trail in Bryn Engan woods which they are seeking funding for. The trail would be available for all members of the community to use. – Agreed at a date to be arranged.

Memorial Seat/Bench Capel Curig Car park area:

GD said the memorial plaque to Ifan Roberts was in his safe keeping and he would organise the replacement of the bench and reaffix the plaque.

Footpath by Plas y Brenin

SA said there may be problems with erecting a walkway as it area was an adder breeding site. SA and GD are perusing the matter

Clerks Update:

Nothing to report which was not an agenda item.

Speeding Traffic:

ER had advised us that she would write to the bus companies concerned about the councils concern with regard to speeding traffic

Payment and Financial Update:

The Clerk reported that the current bank balance was £8035.19

Since the last meeting the following payments had been made:

14/11/21 - British Leigion Poppy Appeal - Llanrwst - £22.00

22/11/21 - Arfon Parry - Cradur - web hosting £33.00

The Clerk said he had still not received any response from Audit Wales with regard to our accounts for 2020/21

All approved.

Monitoring of parking in laybys:

GD reported on a virtual meeting held with Conwy's IT Manager Scott Andrews on 17/11/2021. A compressive presentation was given regarding what is and is not possible with monitoring sensors and how data can be collected.

It was agreed that we should proceed on a trial basis and the Clerk to advise Scott Andrews we would like to firm up on putting two sensors in the layby by Dyffryn Mymbyr. GD to also advise SNP via Helen Pye and see if they will possibly fund or join us in this trial.

Grass Cutting at cemetery Contract for 2022

The Clerk reported that following a public notice only one quotation had been received from Formston Trees and Garden Care in Rhiwlas. This is the same company that currently has been undertaking the work.

His quote is £120 per cut to include the cemetery and approaches and grass triangle outside Joe Browns.

It is anticipated that we need about ten cuts per year.

Agreed to proceed with this company.

Casual Vacancy:

The Clerk reported that the closing date for applications was 30th November. Two applications had been received: -

- 1. Michael Lees The Flat, Moel Siabod Café, Capel Curig LL24 0EL
- 2. Peter McCormick 6 Llugwy Terrace, Capel Curig LL24 0EB

The Clerk said that so far as he was aware both applicants qualified for the post. He then read out the applications. A secret ballot was held, and the successful candidate will be contacted by the Clerk to confirm their acceptance or not

Any other Business:

St Julitta's – The Clerk gave each councillor a copy of The Friends of St Julitta's Newsletter and Annual Report. He also mentioned that the current committee were in their opinion getting older and before too long a younger committee would have to take over the running of the organisation.

Date of Next Meeting:

12th January 2022 at 7.00pm

It was agreed to reinvite Mr S Teal from Conwy to address the meeting with regard to the public lavatories in Capel Curig.