

CYNGHOR CYMUNED CAPEL CURIG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held at 19.30hrs on Wednesday 28th June 2023

Present: Gethin P Davies – Chairman
Dylan Griffiths
Elwyn Jones
Shan Ashton
Cllr Liz Roberts – Arrived 8.00pm
Peter Smith – Clerk

Apologies: Marion Lloyd Roberts
Gareth Dwyer – Vice Chairman

Minutes:

The draft minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 10th May were approved without amendment by the meeting.

Matters Arising:

Casual Vacancy:

Clerk reported there were no applications to date – decided to leave notice on display until the next council meeting and members to make local enquiries.

Extension of 30mph sign towards Betws y Coed. PVS had written to The Highway Authority offering to undertake the work ourselves but no reply to date. Guidance will be published by Welsh Government in due course

A4086 – Conwy applying for exemption to this becoming a 20-MPH limit. Clerk had written a strong letter to Conwy protesting about this decision. It has been acknowledged but no final decision yet. Plas y Brenin management also written to Conwy on same topic.

All recent communications given to ER who will make further enquiries at Conwy.

The Playground: Work still not started but matter still with Legal Department at Conwy

Community Speed Watch Training: - No new progress to report. Apparently John Morris Community Speed Officer would like more volunteers before he is willing to run a training session.

Campsite Development at Bryn Tyrch Uchaf: There had been some communication on the matter. Particular concern was expressed about sewerage arrangements. It was noted that no vehicular access would be permitted to the camping area.

Lay By Parking: Minutes of meeting not available from SA – will produce by next meeting.

Sewage Outflow at Bryn Glo:

Clerk reported he had received the following update from Dŵr Cymru:-

Dear Councillors,

I wanted to update you on our work to improve the wastewater network in the Capel Curig area.

We have visited all private properties and spoken with the owners to discuss our proposed plans to remove surface water from the wastewater network in a number of locations and properties in Capel Curig to help minimise the risk of manholes surcharging. These discussions are ongoing.

Our contractors have also visited all properties and are currently working on proposed programme for the work. We are still currently targeting the end of the summer to start the work once the summer embargo is finished although this is subject to change.

We are continuing to work on possible solutions for the communications system on the alarm fitted in the manhole in the layby which is continuing to prove challenging due to its location. In the meantime, we continue to attend site to inspect and carry out any clean up that is required after every yellow warning for rain or during significant rainfall such as at the start of the week.

We will be in touch with you again when we have a proposed date for the start of the work at the end of the Summer, but in the meantime, if you have any questions please do get in touch.

Thank you
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Correspondence:

Letter received by clerk on 18th May 2023 advising the Council that Tree Preservation Order (No 80) 2022 – Gwesty Ty'n y Coed, Capel Curig – Further to my letter dated 18th November 2022 the above Provisional Tree Preservation Order was confirmed on 18th May 2023. This is now in force permanently.

Planning Applications:

Planning Application Number NP4/13/258 received 26th June 2023. Installation of a 35m communications mast with EAS and SRN antennas, ground based apparatus and ancillary development. Clerk confirmed notices have displayed on our notice boards.

Concern raised about the height and location of the mast and the visual impact on an iconic view. Clerk to write to SNP Planning.

Clerks Update:

Clerk said in order to comply with current regulations we need to arrange training for councillors and ensure that council meetings are available as a hybrid meeting. Clerk to circulate details of courses available to all councillors who should make contact with clerk if they wish to attend any particular course. Note to be made on agendas that meeting may be held via Zoom

Clerk said that our meeting immediately after the Local Council Elections May 2022 should have been called our Annual General Meeting.

Confirmation of Payments and financial update:

The up-to-date financial position was approved by the council.

DATE	IN	OUT	WHO	BALANCE
18/5/2023		£160.00	Formston Trees	£5162.63
18/5/2023		£8.00	HSBC	£5154.63
13/6/2023		£160.00	Formston Trees	£4994.63
18/6/2023		£8.00	HSBC	£4986.63

The clerk said the public notice advising the public that our last years accounts were available for inspection would be displayed from 3rd July 2023 to 28th July 2023

Approval given by Council for him to purchase a box of plain paper for printing purposes.

Approval given by Council to reimburse Cllr Ashton £87.39p for the purchase of flowers for War Memorial and the flower box by the Capel Curig sign on the A5.

Other Matters:

Clerk said that at the request of two residents he had, with others, met a representative Dŵr Cymru on Tuesday 27th June 2023 at properties behind Joe Browns. Following the meeting Dŵr Cymru had agreed that they would review the situation shortly and bring some detection equipment to try and identify where the leak is. Clerk requested that he is kept informed about the situation and family have agreed to this.

Scale of Charges for Capel Curig Cemetery:

Clerk said that due to the lack of records being passed over at the time of his appointment the scale of charges was largely based on locals' memory. Clerk said he had consulted the Clerk of Dolwyddelan, and he felt our charges should be in line with their charges.

The proposed scale of charges and fees was presented and agreed by the council. It was also agreed that we would take advance bookings for plots.

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Scale of Fees applicable from 1st July 2023

SERVICE	LOCAL	OUTSIDE CAPEL CURIG BOUNDARY
Purchase of plot and erecting of headstone	£250	£600
Re open grave	£150	£400
Burial of casket	£120	£300
Infants up to 5 years old	FOC	N/a

Pre booking of plots available.

Clerk said he would post the new scale of charges on our website immediately.

Local Development Plan:

Only MLR was able to attend this online meeting. MLR to report to next meeting.

Date of next meeting:

Wednesday 13th September 2023 at 7.30pm