

DRAFT CYNGOR CYMUNED CAPEL CURIG COMMUNITY COUNCIL.

Minutes of meeting held at 19.30 hrs on Wednesday 6th March 2024.

Present: Gethin P Davies – Chairman
Marion Lloyd Roberts – Vice Chair
Rachael Roberts
Shan Ashton
Elwyn Jones
Robin Kennedy - Reid
Peter Smith – Clerk
Cllr Liz Roberts

Apologies: Dylan Griffiths

Minutes: The draft minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 24th January were approved by the meeting without amendment.

Matters Arising:

The Playground:

Is now open. SA reported that there were two gates to replace and Dŵr Cymru will be doing some storm water drainage work. SA and ER congratulated on the completion of a successful project.

Streetlights:

ER reported that the additional streetlights would now be completed after the start of the next financial year. SA to advise exact location of proposed new lights.

Sewage Outflow at Bryn Glo:

It was noted that during recent heavy rain the manholes were still lifting, and raw sewage was still escaping. The matter had been reported to Dŵr Cymru.

Clerk said he had asked Dŵr Cymru for a progress report on the works currently being carried out. Their response is reproduced below, dated 26th February 2024:-

Thank you for your email.

The team have been working hard over the past few months in several locations in Capel Curig taking surface water out of the waste network in order to create more capacity in the system.

This work has gone well, and I'm pleased to let you know that all the work should be completed by mid-March with only minor reinstatement work to be completed over the next couple of weeks.

We will of course continue to monitor the Bryn Glo manhole to assess the impact of the completed work for the next few months and will continue to attend site following significant rainfall in the area.

I will email you when the work is fully completed on site and the team have demobbed.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate in getting in touch.

Thank you

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Public Toilets Capel Curig – Possible pay and display car parking to fund

Clerk reported he had written to NMWTRA on 11th December but still no reply. To try and progress the matter and as suggested at the previous meeting Clerk and ER are meeting with Janet Finch Saunders on 15 March 2024 at 10.00am. Clerk will also take the opportunity to discuss extending the 30mph limit towards Betws y Coed and continue the 30 limit throughout the village.

A5 Trunk Road Consultation:

Nothing new to report.

Go-Safe Training:

Both RR and SA said they had had difficulty logging on – however they had been sent a new link and the matter was progressing.

Information Board – by Bryn Glo Café. Upright poles need replacing – GD said he would undertake the work.

Section 4 Briefing: Jonathan Cawley:

Provisionally JC will be giving a presentation on this topic in Betws y Coed on 20th March. ER to confirm exact time, date and location via WhatsApp Group as soon as she has the information.

Possible Pay and Display Car Park behind Joe Browns Shop:

Clerk to contact SNP to arrange a meeting

Burger Van, Cobden's Hotel, Capel Curig.

Clerk had written to John Donnelly, Regulatory Services at Conwy Council to enquire if the Burger Van trading in Cobden's Car had the necessary licences on 24 January. Conwy had replied on 25 January stating that there had been no application for a street trading licence, or permissions granted. They said they would investigate the matter and take appropriate action.

Clerks matters:

Request from Eisteddfod Gadeiriol Dyffryn Conwy, Llanrwst (Carol Medcalfe) for a donation. Clerk said we usually make a donation - £50 agreed.

Grass Cutting:

Clerk confirmed the public notices had been displayed throughout the month of February.

Two quotations had been received: -

1. The Landscapers that Care based in Mold - £252.00 per session
2. Formston Trees & Garden Care based in Rhiwlas - £165.00 per session.

Contract for 2024/24 awarded to Formston.

Access to A5 and Parking at Siabod Café:

GD said he had spoken to Roger West, owner who had agreed that the parking area could be marked as motorcycles only.

Precept:

No news from Conwy yet regarding our precept for this financial year.

Councillor Training:

RR and RKR both reported that they had attended training courses online. RR attended the Role of the Council and RKR Mandatory Conduct.

Clerk to circulate courses as they become available to Council Members

Planning Matters:

Declared Interests: PVS said he helped at St Julitta’s and RKR said he was a Committee Member

St Julitta’s: Friends of St Julittas have applied to the Snowdonia National Park Authority for planning permission to replace the existing concrete slab floor in the church with a slate slab floor as was originally fitted in the restoration in 1839. The existing concrete slab floor was fitted in the 1950s.

The old floor largely exists below the concrete slabs but if they have to purchase new slate they will be using Penrhyn slate from Bethesda. – Council approved of the restoration work being carried out at the Church. GD said he may have some spare slate at Dolgam – Clerk to advise Harvey Lloyd.

There had been no other planning applications received.

Notification received from SNP late January that approval for the Shepherds Hut, in woodland near Deunant, Capel Curig LL24 0DS has been refused and the hut is to be removed.

Financial Matters:

Invoice from Cradur Com for Web Hosting and Domain Registration £43.00 - approved and paid.

Situation at the bank:

Current balance £5901.68

Extract from HSBC bank statement reproduced below. Councillors approved the transactions.

Date	Type	Description	Amount	Balance
26 Feb 2024	BP	Arfon Parry 000232	-43.00	5901.68
18 Feb 2024	CHG	TOTAL CHARGES TO 27JAN2024	-8.00	5944.68
18 Jan 2024	CHG	TOTAL CHARGES TO 27DEC2023	-9.00	5952.68
19 Dec 2023	CHG	TOTAL CHARGES TO 27NOV2023	-8.00	5961.68

14 Dec 2023	CR	CONWY COUNTY BOROU	1000.00	5969.68
05 Dec 2023	CHQ	100347	-20.00	4969.68

Clerks Salary:

Salary for the period 2023/2024 of £700.00 was approved by the Council Members

Audit Wales Capel Curig Community Council:

Clerk said he wished to keep this topic on the agenda until such time as the matter was closed by Audit Wales. Clerk had informed Audit Wales in writing when he had returned from holiday on 6th February. To date there had been no further communication from Audit Wales

Correspondence:

Letter received from Gwenno Llwyd Jones, Community Engagement Officer at SNP seeking a meeting with Clerks of local councils – Meeting was set up for Thursday 29 February but subsequently cancelled due to illness. New date has been arranged for Thursday 21st March 2024

Letter from Conwy (Gary Williams) regarding their Community Toilet Scheme and they are looking for new businesses to sign up for the scheme. Clerk to reply to Garry Williams outlining the current situation in the village.

Letter from Betws y Coed and District Tourism Association asking if we would support their Plastic Free Betws y Coed and District. Agreed to send an email of support and ask them to take a stand at our July Carnifal

AOB

Declared interests: EJ and GD

SA proposed the following:

‘Cyngor Cymuned Capel Curig declares its support to the agricultural sector and the farmers of Wales. The Council believes that Welsh farmers make an invaluable contribution to our country’s economy, the Welsh language, our culture, and heritage, and we need to support this important sector. The Council calls on the Welsh Government to listen to the views and concerns of farmers – and the farming unions - as they consult on new legislation’.

Approved by the meeting.

Footpath Number 32. Concern expressed that motorcycles are now using this path. Clerk to write to Peter Rutherford SNA to see if anything can be done to prohibit its use by motorised vehicles

Date of Next Meeting:

Clerk said we would make our next meeting our AGM and he hoped to have our accounts ready for approval by then.

Date: Wednesday 1st May 2024 at 7.30pm

