

PLEASE NOTE THERE ARE SEVERAL ATTACHMENTS TO THESE MINUTES

DRAFT CYNGHOR CYMUNED CAPEL CURIG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held at 19.30 hrs on Wednesday 4th December 2024.

Present: Gethin P Davies – Chairman
Marian Lloyd Roberts – Vice Chairman
Shan Ashton
Dylan Griffiths
Rachael Roberts
Robin Kennedy – Reid
Peter Smith – Clerk
Cllr Liz Roberts

Apologies: Elwyn Jones

Declaration of Interests: Nil declared

Minutes: The draft minutes of the meeting held on 16th October 2024 were approved without amendment.

Matters arising:

Street Lights: All now installed and working with the exception of one light near Pont Cyfyng turn off. Clerk to enquire if these new lights will be allocated numbers so faulty lights can be identified clearly.

Sewage at Bryn Glo: There was an outage on Weekend 23/24 November, but no raw sewage reported.

Bridge by Fferm Royal: Clerk said he had written after the last meeting, 16/10/2024 suggesting red traffic rumble lines should be put on the road as a possible way of slowing traffic. He had then written again on 20th November asking when work would commence having been previously told that work would not start before 3 September and asking for any comments on the red line suggestion. Correspondence sent to Daniel Durrans at Conwy County Council. Reply received from Conwy 28th November stating they would consider the red line proposal, and they were currently waiting on a start date from the appointed contractors. Conwy apologised for the delay.

A5 Road: Work had now been completed – obvious defects in the road had been 'patched' Traffic Wales had responded very quickly to Clerks correspondence. They had taken note of the seepage onto the road west of Joe Browns Shop and made some effort to rectify the

situation but it would seem that there may be an underground spring in the area with water coming up through the tarmac.

Audit Wales: We have settled the outstanding invoices valued at £2975.26

Drop in Session – Rural Digital Connectivity: This session had to be postponed due to adverse weather –However as the project is shortly ending the group have suggested residents might like to attend in Dolwyddelen, at the Pavillion on 11th December between 10am and 2pm - agreed to advertise on notice boards immediately.

New Capel Curig Website: Clerk reported he had briefed the web technician, Nick Ferguson, of Gron Glwyd, Cerrigyddudion on 24th October and we await a progress report. Clerk said he hoped we would be in a position to launch the site early 2025. He thought the site would be far more flexible and as a Council we would be able to post information in line with good and legal practice far more effectively.

Financial Matters:

Clerk reported that the full audit report for the period 2023/2024 has now been received. Our accounts are “Qualified” however ‘Except for the matters reported below in my Basis of Qualification, on the basis of my audit, in my opinion no matters have come to my attention to give cause for concern that, in any material respect, the information reported in this Annual Return’

The Clerk said the full report would be attached electronically to the minutes and also uploaded on the new website.

The points raised could in general be rectified by slight changes in procedures and Council discussed this fully.

We are required to display on the Notice Boards the Notice of Conclusion of Audit and Right to Inspect the Annual Return for year-end 31st March 2024. This will take place from the 5th December 2024 for 14 days

It was agreed that any person requiring photocopies of the report would be charged £5.00p
Budget:

The revised budget, after the recent issues with non-submission of accounts, were presented to Council.

CAPEL CURIG COMMUNITY COUNCIL BUDGET 2024/25				YEAR END AMOUNT OVER
DATE	ITEM	BUDGET	TO DATE	
	Grass Cutting at Cemnetery	£1,600.00	£1,320.00	
	Clerks Expences	£60.00	£48.46	
	Donations	£100		
	Hire of Community Rooms	£120.00	£105.00	
	Councillor Training	£300.00	£38.00	
	Insurance	£250.00	£220.21	
	Bank Charges	£100.00	£40.00	
	British Legion	£25.00	£22.00	
	Clerks Salary	£700.00	£700.00	
	Web hosting and Technical	£70.00		
	Possible Election	£350.00		
	One Voice Wales Subs	£45.00	£45.00	

Stand at Carnifal	£100.00	£0.00
Audit Wales Fees Historic	£2,975.26	£2,975.26
Audit Wales Fees 22/23 and 23/24	£500.00	£258.00
Repairs at Cemetery roadway	£720.00	
New Website	£600.00	
TOTALS	£8,615.26	£5,771.93
CASH IN BANK	£2270.75	

The bank situation is as follows and Council approved the situation.

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Date ▼	Type ▼ ?	Description	Paid out ▼	Paid in ▼	Balance						
25 Nov 2024		Balance carried forward			2,270.75						
18 Nov 2024	CHG	TOTAL CHARGES TO 27OCT2024	8.00		2,270.75						
13 Nov 2024	BP	Formston Trees Inv 1412	165.00		2,278.75						
07 Nov 2024	CHQ	100348	2,975.26		2,443.75						
19 Oct 2024	CHG	TOTAL CHARGES TO 27SEP2024	8.00		5,419.01						
23 Sep 2024	BP	Formston Trees 1371	165.00		5,427.01						
18 Sep 2024	CHG	TOTAL CHARGES TO 27AUG2024	8.00		5,592.01						
26 Aug 2024	BP	Formston Trees 1356	165.00		5,600.01						
25 Aug 2024		Balance brought forward			5,765.01						

Precept 2024/2025:

It was agreed that we should request an increase of £500 in our precept for 2025/2026 making a total of £4000

Planning Matters:

Clerk reported that he had not received any planning applications since our last meeting.

Two appeal decisions had been received: -

CAS -0333-M7N1W2 Appeal by EE Ltd for erecting of a telecommunications mast at land at Coed Bryn Engan – The appeal was dismissed.

The full report written by Inspector Helen Smith will be attached to the draft minutes and will be posted online on our new website.

CAS-03404-D1F5L6 Appeal by Prachimba Dorjee Khenchen regarding a 'Shepherds Hut' for use as a tool and equipment store on land by Deunant LL24 ODS The appeal was dismissed. The full report written by Inspector Claire MacFarlane will be attached to the draft minutes and will be posted online on our new website

Public Footpath signs Fferm Royal land:

The farmer had explained that the footpath from the War Memorial towards the area known as the Pinnacles was a very busy area. He is constantly having the gate left open. It was agreed that we should help and Chair said he would contact the Carneddau Project to see if they would supply a more suitable self-closing gate.

Public Toilets – Capel Curig

Following the closure of these facilities a full discussion took place about the way forward. ER presented the outline accounts for Dolwyddelan Toilets for information. (full document attached to minutes)

After the discussion a vote was taken with the following two options: -

1. Capel Curig Community Council takes on full responsibility for the now closed toilets in Capel Curig and peruses the matter with Conwy County Council.
2. The Capel Curig Community Council does not want to take on responsibility for the toilets.

The decision was that Capel Curig Community Council does not want to take on responsibility for the toilets.

Any Other Business:

SA said she had met the Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner at a recent event. He had indicated that the Commissioner would be pleased to visit Capel Curig to discuss and view the many speeding traffic problems we encounter. Clerk to invite him.

Date of Next Meeting:

7.30pm on Wednesday 5th February 2025 at the Canolfan

The meeting closed at 9.00pm

List of documents attached:

- a. Planning Appeal Decision – CAS-03336-M7N1W2 Land at Bryn Engan
- b. Planning Appeal Decision – CAS -03404-D1F5L6 Land near Deunant
- c. Dolwyddelan Toilets finances – supplied by ER
- d. Audit Wales report on our Full Audit 2023/2024