

# CLYDACH COMMUNITY COUNCIL FULL COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Community Council Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2018

**The meeting convened at the Community Hall at 7-00 p.m. present:**

Cllrs. M Bailey, L Jenkins (Vice Chair), G Richards, M Bowmer, C Williams, B Thomas, G Ffrancon and G Walker

**213/2018: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Apologies were received on behalf of Cllrs R Jenkins, J Davies and S Jones

**214/2018: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** Declarations would be made as and when necessary during the meeting. Cllrs C Williams and G Walker declared an interest in respect of any discussions which relate to the Vardre Rugby Club

**215/2018: TEN MINUTE PERIOD FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS COUNCIL**

No-one had asked to make use of this facility.

**216/2018: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING 10<sup>th</sup> July 2018 & MATTERS ARISING**

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2018 had been circulated prior to the meeting. The minutes were unanimously approved

1. The Clerk reported that the Company which had been recommended for the moving of the trough had indicated that they were not able to carry out the work. All of the companies so far contacted are concerned about the risk of damaging the trough.
2. Despite numerous promises Rowan Heating have not carried out the repair to the pipe. Dave Gimblett called at the Hall and has offered to carry out the work and deal with the small leak which has since been discovered in the boiler for £616 plus VAT. The meeting approved of his being instructed to carry out the necessary work.

**217/2018: GRAIGFELEN COMMUNITY HALL**

There was nothing to report since the last meeting. It was agreed that Council would promote the Hall in an endeavour to fill the slots left by the School and Slimming World.

**218/2018 COMMUNITY PLAY PARKS** Maintenance of park equipment is ongoing, and work needs to be carried out at Sunnybank to freshen up the park there. Forge Fach is still not complying with the lease/agreement as far as the playpark is concerned and it was agreed to allow the one final month to do so.

**219/2018: THE POD/RUBBISH COLLECTION IN THE VILLAGE**

A feasibility proposal had been circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting about the various options open to Council and it was agreed by 6 votes to 1 to give one month's notice to the POD ending the current agreement.

**220/2018 COMMUNITY ASSET TRANSFER** Cllr Bailey continues to press the City and County of Swansea for progress on the lease of Coed Gwilym Park and hopefully there will be some developments to report by the next Council Meeting.

**221/2018 FOOTBRIDGE OVER THE RIVER TAWE:** Councillor Walker reported that the bridge over the River Tawe had been vandalised again. Previously the rugby club had paid for the repair. Councillor Walker asked Council to pay for the repair and he would refund them from his Community Fund. The repair cost was estimated to be in the region of £1,000. This proposal was unanimously approved.

**222/2018 TO DISCUSS FUTURE EVENTS** This matter had been discussed at an extraordinary meeting of the Council on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2018 where the recommendation was to combine the Summer Fete and Clydach Rocks into one event. After further discussion three proposals were made and duly seconded. A proposal to end Clydach Rocks was approved by 5 votes to 4. The alternative proposals to defer the decision and to merge the two events were defeated.

**223/2018 GRAIG CEFN PARC SCHOOL CLOSURE:** A draft response had been circulated prior to the meeting for discussion and was duly approved. An amendment to the response to request a Welsh Unit was approved.

**224/2018 STOP ME BUS SERVICE TO GRAIGFELEN:** The Chair reported that he had been made aware of problems with this service. It is not well used, and a shuttle has been introduced to replace the current service.

**225/2018 REVIEW OF COMMUNITY AND TOWN COUNCILS:** The review has been circulated, and the Chair indicated he would send it again for discussion at the October meeting.

**226/2018: COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Hall and Events Committee** – The minutes will be circulated later this evening, but the main points were :-

1. There are some rocks on the village green which need to be removed. It is particularly relevant as the green will be used during the winter months for football.
2. The possibility of staging a pantomime was discussed and approved. Prices were fixed at £3 for adults and £1 for children. Council will advertise for people wishing to take part.
3. The date for the summer fete was fixed for the third Saturday in July which is 20<sup>th</sup> July 2019.
4. It was agreed to discuss the budget for events at the next Halls and Events meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2018.
5. Arrangements need to be made to move the Christmas tree, The chair will organise with the caretaker.

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## Planning Committee

1. 22 Pen Y Wern Road, Clydach SA6 5HD – Proposed two storey rear extension.  
2018/1841
2. 2 Glyndefaid Cottage, Ynys Y Mond Road, Glais – Single storey front extension  
2018/1380
3. 1c Woodlands Avenue, Clydach – Detached dwelling  
2018/1554
4. Tireinon, Ynys Y Mond Road, Glais – First floor rear extension and window alterations  
2018/1632
5. 71 Hebron Road, Clydach – 2 storey dormer style dwelling on land to the rear of applicant's property  
2513/2018

**Audit Committee** - (all invoices for payment are scrutinised by the Audit committee prior to presentation to full council)

## Item

	Amount
1. Wages	£2,772.01
2. Tax and NIC	605.79
3. Eurooffice	71.33
4. NEAT/POD	7,200.00
5. Refund to Clerk (Karcher cleaner)	251.04
6. Floordec	6,810.00
7. Zurich Insurance	846.86
8. JM Entertainment	1,095.00
9. Reeable	355.00
10. Howie Van Hire	168.00
11. Brandon Hire	436.60
12. Rugby Skips	282.00
13. Welsh Water Clydach	288.18
14. Welsh Water Graigfelen	207.67
15. Cautela Security	1,399.20

**£ 22,788.68**

## **ACTIONS:**

- Cllrs to make the BACS payments  
Clerk to distribute cheques as required.

## **227/2018: CORRESPONDENCE –**

1. Clydach Cricket Club football section has asked if they can resume using the Village Green for the upcoming season A maximum of 3 hours if all three teams happened to be at home. Council approved subject to their accepting responsibility for any injuries to players.
2. Coedffranc has changed their name to Coedffranc Town Council
3. The Clerk read out an email from Clydach Cricket Club seeking support for their project to develop their clubhouse to cope with increased numbers. The Chair offered his services in helping with fund applications.
4. A recycler called at the office asking about the wood at the back of the fence behind the hall. He has offered to remove it and in exchange will trim the back area free of charge. This was approved by Council.
5. We have received an invitation to the Chair to attend the annual presentation of St John Cymru Wales @ 6.30 on 25<sup>th</sup> November at the Mond.
6. City and County of Swansea have confirmed that the Christmas sleigh is no longer roadworthy. The land train is available for hire and further details will be made available shortly.

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7. We have received a thank you letter from Menter Laith Abertawe for the sponsorship contribution to the recent race in Swansea.

**228/2018 STAFF AND MEMBERS TRAINING** – The Clerk continues to circulate Councillors with details of suitable training events. Councillors have expressed interest in a wide range of subjects but so far, the venues have not been convenient. There are some more convenient ones which have been circulated and Councillors are encouraged to attend as many as possible.

**229/2018 NEXT MEETING** The next meeting of the full Council will be held at 7.00 pm. on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018 preceded as usual by the Planning Committee and Audit Committee at 6.30 pm.

The meeting closed at 8.15 pm.

*The above minutes are approved as a true record*

*Signed Chair Community Council: .....*

*Date: .....*