

CLYDACH COMMUNITY COUNCIL FULL COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Community Council Meeting held on 13th Jul 2021

The meeting convened online via Zoom Conference software at 7-00 p.m. present:

Cllrs. M Bailey (Chair), P Blunn, G Richards, F Wagstaff, M Bowmer, A Jenkins, S Weller, , K Davies, and W Morgan

42/2021: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Apologies were received from Cllrs G Ffrancon, I Whitehurst and R Jenkins.

43/2021: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Declarations would be made as and when necessary, during the meeting.

44/2021: TEN MINUTE PERIOD FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS COUNCIL Alison Williams from Graigfelen School had asked to address Council and outlined several projects for the children which she hoped could be supported by the Community Council including the use of Graigfelen Community Hall.

Roger Smith had emailed the Clerk with some detailed questions which the Clerk will respond to by email.

45/2021: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETINGS 8th June and 29th June 2021 & MATTERS ARISING:

The minutes of the meeting on 8th June and 29th June had been circulated prior to the meeting and were unanimously approved subject to a spelling correction of Bocs Boyd.

46/2021 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON COED GWILYM PARK

Referring to the decision made at the June meeting the Clerk wrote to both the legal department and the leader of City and County of Swansea advising that if Council did not receive clarification of City and County of Swansea's position by the date of the July meeting then the Community Council would withdraw from the process. Regrettably there has been no communication or clarification and the meeting confirmed their decision to withdraw from the process of taking over the park. As previously agreed, a meeting will be arranged with the Friend of the Park to advise them of Council's decision.

47/2021 TO DISCUSS A WATERING ROTA FOR THE PLANTS

Cllr Bowmer asked that more Councillors make themselves available to help with the watering especially as it looks as if the weather is improving. Some Councillors are uncomfortable using the truck and have found another way of completing the task. A monthly rota would help, and the Clerk will obtain quotes to see if a local company would carry out some of the watering to relieve the pressure on Councillors

48/2021 TO DISCUSS ACCESS TO DEFIBRILLATORS IN GRAIGFELEN Details of a proposal to relocate defibrillators throughout the village had been circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting. The children of Graigfelen School had also written to the Council following the incident at Euro 2020 where Denmark's Christian Eriksen collapsed on the pitch. The village is well served by defibrillators, but many are not available 24/7. The chair proposed that the Council purchase 5 outdoor boxes which would mean that more of the defibrillators would be available outside. The heated boxes cost £395 each and installing 5 including wiring would be between £2,500 and £3,000 including pac testing. David Thomas is a paramedic operating alongside the Leon Heart Fund. He has offered to service all the current defibrillators in the village free of charge. The proposal was duly seconded and unanimously approved and a proposal to replace the pads on the Capel Road defibrillator at a cost of £72 was also approved.

49/2021 Facilities and Events Committee

The minutes of the meeting held on 22nd June had been circulated prior to the meeting and were unanimously approved, a copy is attached. Amongst the issues raised were:

1. The Green Hat risk assessments are not yet to hand. Clerk will chase these up.
2. Regarding the proposed policy on bookings the Clerk advised that when he re-opened bookings for the halls bookings were taken on the understanding that when the social groups can return then any bookings for what are regarded as their slots then they would be relinquished. There are only a couple of possible clashes, and it seems unfair to discriminate against the social groups who are unable to come back because of Covid restrictions. The Clerk will arrange to meet with those involved to resolve any issues.
3. The written confirmation relating to the path at the Community Garden has not been received. Clerk will send reminder.
4. Clerk will write to Phil Marshall at Environmental Health re the signs and barriers at Cae Charles
5. Clerk will request a site visit to look at the quarry rockface about the path belonging to Council which appears unstable and may require attention.
6. Clerk will seek quotes for watering the baskets.
7. A proposal to sell Bocs Boyd was approved
8. Following the success of the local produce market it was agreed to hold another one in early September and up to 4 in 2022, cost will be £20 per pitch.
9. Cllr Bowmer outlined the arrangements for the Fun Party on August 7th with various tasks to be undertaken.
10. Cllr Wagstaff shared an important dates calendar and new Councillor handbook which were approved. Clerk will email copies to those who are unable to access the google drive.

Planning Committee

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1. 3 Graig Road, Clydach – Porch extension with shower room
2. 4 Hebron Road, Clydach – Demolition of ext wc and construction of new extension
3. 36 Graigola Road, Glais – Variation of conditions, wider dormer and increase ridge height for roof.
4. 44 High Street, Clydach – Amend licensing hours

The committee had no issues with any of these applications.

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

	Amount	
1. Wages	£ 2,472.11	
2. Tax & NIC (April)	£ 523.57	
3. Apex	£ 600.00	Grass cutting
4. Lyn Llewellyn	£ 523.57	Audit
5. One Voice Wales	£ 180.00	Training
	£ 4,305.68	

50/2021: CORRESPONDENCE: -

1. Jon Swain from Apex has come back to say they do not have a suitable van for watering the plants.
2. Clerk raised the question of marquees, and it was agreed to pursue the sale of 2 Gala units and purchase a new one after check with the Caretaker.
3. The rugby club asked if funds allocated to them for the cost of training courses could be diverted to kit including the Community Council's logo and this was approved

51/2021 STAFF AND MEMBERS TRAINING: – Training has been suspended during the epidemic, but basic training is available on the One Voice Wales website and the Clerk will circulate details to all Councillors. There are online training sessions available, and Councillors are encouraged to check the email and book those that interest them with the Clerk.

52/2021 NEXT MEETING: The next meeting of the full Council will be held at 7.00 pm. on Tuesday 14th September 2021 preceded as usual by the Planning Committee and Audit Committee at 6.30 pm.

The meeting closed at 8.35 pm

The above minutes are approved as a true record

Signed Chair Community Council:

Date: