

Betws-y-Coed Community Council  
Minutes of the Virtual Meeting held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021

Present – Gareth Wynne Chairman, Gwawr Jones, Janet Charlton, Neil Pringle, Dyfed Jones, Cllr Elizabeth Roberts, Caerwyn Roberts, Clerk.

Apologies. None

Declaration of interest – No declaration of interest

Minutes of the meeting of the 12 January 2021, read and approved.

Matters Arising

[1] Police Matters

The clerk referred to the following local information from PCSO Gareth Roberts;  
2 incidents of criminal damage

No anti social behaviour incidents. The main issues were people travelling from out of the area in relation to covid 19.

[1.1] Proposed Footbridge Upstream from Pont-y-Pair

Noted that CADW had agreed to a site meeting when covid restrictions have been removed, the clerk also advised that a pre application advice form had been submitted to SNPA.

[1.2] Management of Cae Llan / Proposed Services

Noting an estimate of £11,769.00 from Scottish Power for a connection at Cae Llan, clerk to enquire whether the CC could be allowed to undertake the excavation for the connection. Cllr E Roberts advised that she would contact Mr Dylan Richards Scottish Power for further information.

[1.3] Conwy CBC Sustainable Services

Resolved to review following the removing of Covid 19 restrictions

[1.4] Miners Bridge

The clerk referred to an update from Conwy CBC that the bridge is ready to be installed. Clerk to enquire whether the bridge supports etc will be positioned out of any possible floodwater damage.

[1.5] CCTV Pentre Du

Noted that the matter had been delayed due to coronavirus restrictions.

[1.6] Communication n Framework

Noting the advice regarding a facebook page, clerk to enquire with the website manager regarding a possible information page which can be regularly updated.

[1.7] Climber & Rambler Empty Shop

Cllr E Roberts to remind SNPA [Planning] regarding assurances given on placing “For Sale” sign on the shop frontage.

[1.8] Vicarage Road No Parking Signs

The clerk reported that Conwy CBC [highways] were continuing to review the matter

[1.9] Skip Services

Clerk to request that Betws-y-Coed be included in the RDP plan for the provision of skip services.

[2] Picnic Area Cae Llan

The clerk reported that work was now underway and expected to be completed in the near future

[2.1] Additional Street Lighting

The chairman reported that the additional street lighting on the outskirts of the village [Mill Street] is scheduled for April/May

[2.2] Repairs Memorial Hall

Resolved to wait for further information from Conwy CBC regarding responsibility for the Memorial Hall's external repairs.

[2.3] River Bank Erosion River Llugwy

Noted that the erosion is more apparent on the river bank leading from the Royal Oak car park towards the Tourist Information Centre. Clerk to make further contact with NRW.

[2.4] Affordable Housing

Noting that matters have progressed with land acquisition and funding etc, Cllr E Roberts to update at the next meeting.

Main Agenda

[2.5] Vacant Seat

The clerk referred to an application for the vacant CC seat from Ms Mari E M Matthews, Olif, Plas Derwen, Holyhead Road, Betws-y-Coed.

Resolved to invite Ms Matthews as a co-opted member of the Community Council

[2.6] Planning Matters

[a] Demolition of existing single storey extension and erection of three storey extension Bryn-y-Gwynt, Holyhead Road, Betws-y-Coed

[b] Replace existing timber monopole with similar monopole.

Arqiva Transmitting Station, Mill Street, Betws-y-Coed

Resolved to raise no objection to the above two proposals.

[2.7] Financial Matters

[a] Resolved to approve the receipts and payments for the period 1<sup>st</sup> Jan – 31<sup>st</sup> Jan 2021.

[b] Noted the comparison figures for Swallow Falls for the period Nov 2020 -31<sup>st</sup> Jan 2021.

[c] Noting the level of reserves, resolved to set a precept of £3,000.00 for the financial year 2021/22

[c] Resolved to approve the budget forecast for the financial year 2021 – 2022 prepared by the clerk.

[2.8] Risk Assessment

Resolved to approve the risk assessment for the Memorial Hall / Swallow Falls prepared by the clerk.

[2.9] A 470 Lay by off Waterloo Bridge opposite the Waterfall

Clerk to request Conwy CBC that a litter bin be provided in the lay by.

[3] Minature Railway Cafe

Members expressed concern at the dilapidated condition of the café/railway carriages etc. Clerk to write requesting that maintenance work be undertaken before businesses are allowed to reopen following covid restrictions.

[3.1] Llanrwst Library

Noted that arrangements are being made to relocate the library at the Glasdir Centre at Llanrwst.

[3.2] Carneddau Landscape Partnership

The clerk referred to correspondence from Ms Beca Roberts seeking a meeting with the Community Council. Resolved to meet following the lifting of covid restrictions. Clerk in the meantime to enquire regarding possible grant funding.

[3.3] The following information was noted;

SNPA Public Consultation Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance.

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

