

Betws-y-Coed Community Council
Minutes of the meeting held on the 8th May 2023

Present – Anna Brown Chairperson, Neil Pringle, Ffiona Jones, Caerwyn Roberts Clerk.

Apologies, Mari E M Mathews, Janet Charlton, Cllr Elizabeth Roberts.

Declaration of interest, No declaration.

Minutes of the meeting of the 11th April 2023, read and approved.

Election of Chairperson/Vice Chairperson

Resolved to defer until the meeting of the 12th June 2023.

Matters Arising

[1] BYCDTA Proposed Plastic Free Community

Further to the meeting of the 11th April, resolved to discontinue the use single use plastic and to support plastic free initiatives.

Cllr Anna Brown agreed to represent the Council on the Plastic Free Community Steering Group.

Matters Arising

Police Matters

No Police presence.

Members expressed concern at the number of accidents on the A470 close to Zip World. Clerk to contact North Wales Police regarding the matter.

[1.1] Footbridge/Pont-y-Pair

The clerk referred to correspondence from Gwyn Parry Conwy CBC. Resolved to seek an initial cost for advice/ guidance on the matter.

[1.2] Affordable Housing /Group Cynefin

Noted that the matter was ongoing.

[1.3] Parking Issues Bro Gethin, Pentre Du

Noted the tender specification for the Pentre Du Parking consultation prepared by the chairperson and that the matter was onpoing.

[1.4] Removal of Vegetation Pont -y-Pair.

Note that Cllr Elizabeth Roberts is pursuing the matter with Conwy CBC.

[1.5] Man in a Van

Clerk to remind Edward Jones SNPA regarding the work schedule

[1.6] Project Co-ordinator/ Clerk to the Council

The clerk reported that enquiries had been received for the post of Project C-ordinator.

Chairperson and clerk to liaise regarding clerk's job description

[1.7] Betws-y-Coed Football Club/ Refurbishment of Dressing Rooms

Cllr Neil Pringle advised that he will contact Elgan Metcalfe regarding the raising of the fence

[1.8] Council Website

Noted that the matter was ongoing.

[1.9] Erw Hedd Cemetery/ Cemetery Space

The clerk reported that Conwy CBC was due to advise on the matter.

[2] Riverbank Improvements Pont-y-Pair

Clerk to contact Haf Jones regarding completion of work.

[2.1] Risk Assessment Memorial Hall/ Asbestos

The clerk reported that Chris Dingsdale Conwy CBC would be making contact regarding an asbestos inspection for the hall and cottage.

[2.2] Boarded Area Ultimate Outdoors

Cllr Neil Pringle advised that he was arranging an estimate for the repairs etc of the frontage boards and also a valuation of the site by Richard Baddley. Cllr Elizabeth Roberts had also advised that she had contacted SNPA to seek support on the matter

[2.1] Playground Pentre Du

Noted that the boards had now been erected

Main Agenda

[2.2] Active Travel

The clerk referred to information forwarded by Cllr Elizabeth Roberts that a report from Andy Wilkinson Conwy CBC to the Community Council, is also to be made available to the general public with drop in sessions to be arranged by the end of June.

[2.3] Financial Matters

[a] Resolved to approve the receipts and payments to the end of April 2023

[b] The clerk reported that attendances at Swallow Falls were marginally higher than the similar period in April 2022

[2.4] Jui Jitsu/ Grant Application

The clerk advised that he had passed on the contact details of Caroline Jones Conwy CBC to Mr Amaan Abbasi

[2.5] Hanging Pizzeria

Cllr Elizabeth Roberts forwarded information that contact had been made with Jonathan Cawley SNPA and that Mr Cawley was intending to visit the area and would report further to the Community Council.

[2.6] SNPA Local Development Plan Review

Cllr Neil Pringle agreed to represent the Council at a meeting [Zoom] on the 8th June 2023

[2.7] Siop Penndyffryn

Noting that Siop Pendyffryn was now vacant and available rent/lease hire, members considered a proposal from Cllr Elizabeth Roberts that the Community Council may wish to seek the tenancy and create a drop in/meeting location for the public.

Following a general discussion and given the Council's current commitments, resolved not to proceed at present

[2.8] Change to 20mph, Local Exceptions

Noted the list of exceptions to the 20mph from Conwy CBC

The clerk referred to information from Cllr Elizabeth Roberts that a meeting was being arranged with NMWTRA and 2 residents of Pentre Du regarding concern at traffic speed and possible speed reduction through the village.

[2.9] NRW Closure of Forestry Lay-bys

Cllr Elizabeth Roberts to report at the next meeting

[3] Hire of Memorial Hall

Resolved to review the matter at the next meeting

Chairperson_____