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Minutes of the Ordinary Full Council Meeting Llangynwyd Village Hall Monday April 11th 2016

Members Present

Cllr P Sasiruben
Cllr M James
Cllr I Williams
Cllr D Jones
Cllr E Guscott
Cllr C Griffiths
Cllr M Griffiths Jones
Cllr L Morgan
Cllr D Morgan

Clerk: Mrs N Morgan

The Meeting commenced at 7pm and was chaired by Councillor Jones.

01.17 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr L Grantham Brooks, Cllr T Griffiths and Cllr Berry.

02.17 Declarations of Interest (in accordance with S51 Local Government Act 2000)

Councillor M James

Bridgend CBC
Planning Matters
Llangynwyd Village Hall
Ysgol Gyfun Llangynwyd

Councillor I Williams

Cwmfelin School
Maesteg Comprehensive School
Maesteg Town Council
Maesteg Celtic RFC

Councillor D Jones

Llangynwyd Rangers
Cwmfelin Primary School

Councillor E Guscott

Cwmfelin Primary School
Llangynwyd Primary School

03.17 Ratification of Minutes of March 2016 Meeting

Point 198.16 should relate to the layby and not the village hall. Point 201.16, with regards the proposed mirror on the village hall, the Clerk to contact BCBC in this matter along with the village hall.

Resolved: The minutes were agreed by Cllr Williams and seconded by Cllr Guscott.

04.17 Matters Arising from the Minutes

There were a number of issues raised as a result of the last meeting; Cllr Jones advised the works regarding the manhole on Maesteg Road has begun. The works should hopefully be completed within the next few weeks.

The clerk advised the application for the capital fund regarding the four speed signs has been sent along with the application for reimbursement for rights of way.

05.17 Police Matters

The clerk received the crime figures earlier in the day. There were two counts of theft of number plates.

06.17 Public Address

There were no members of the public present.

07.17 Correspondence

All matters of correspondence were duly noted.

There was a letter received from BCBC regarding code of conduct training. The clerk to put Cllr Jones' name forward along with her own.

Cllr James advised he would make contact with Gareth White re is availability to provide a quote for clearing footpath 30 as the area around the stile needs clearing and opening up.

The community council agreed to donate the sum of £50 to Y Bont following their donation request correspondence.

The community council discussed the letter received from the Village Hall re funding. Cllr James advised there is monies set aside in BCBC for such projects but as of yet the village hall committee haven't applied for any grants. The clerk to contact BCBC to obtain what grants may be available on behalf of the village hall, request any information that may be required and relate the same to the village hall.

The clerk advised there was some discussion with highways regarding a site visit following on from the request for yellow lines to be placed outside the layby in Llangynwyd.

The clerk to obtain detailed costings of the shields previously obtained some years ago. The clerk to ask for individual prices along with bulk prices.

Cllr D Jones agreed he would attend the photograph of 2015/2016 chairman taking place on 24th April 2016.

08.17 Planning

There were no objections to the planning applications P/14/756/FUL.

09.17 Easter

The cancellation of the Easter event was discussed in some detail. Cllr Guscott advised we should have used the village hall as a backup location for the Easter event to save cancelling the same. Cllr Jones advised it was everyone's responsibility to bring ideas to the table and should a contingency plan be in place it would need to be done long before the date of the event so it can be advertised.

Cllr James suggested going forward not sending out the leaflets as should event need cancelling it is far easier to amend the banners than notify those who had received the leaflets advertising the event. Cllr James advised he had received a number of phone calls enquiring why the event was cancelled however the weather could not have been helped and it was left to the last minute to cancel the same. Cllr James asked why the park was being checked at 10am when the event didn't start until 2pm as there was no gazebo to erect. Cllr Guscott advised this has always been the case.

It was unanimously agreed that contingency plans need putting in place before the date should there be one. The chocolates were to be donated to the local food bank as it would be unfair to donate them to one school when there are three schools in the parish.

10.17 Dedication Service

The dedication service still cannot be arranged as the amendments to the memorial have still not been made. The clerk to contact the stonemason requesting a response and timescale within 3 days and update Cllr Jones thereafter.

11.17 Website

The clerk took photographs of the Councillors in attendance ready for uploading to the website along with updated contact details.

12.17 Speed Signs

The clerk to obtain costs for speed signs, the larger round signs that flash and the signs that give the exact speed to compare costs. For May's meeting each Councillor is to consider possible locations for the proposed signs.

13.17 Finance and Accounts

The clerk advised the accounts had gone to the internal auditor. The proposed spreadsheet was displayed on a laptop for all councillors to see. The clerk advised this would be emailed to those with email and will be protected so it cannot be amended,

The previous donations to Maesteg Town Hall were discussed and it was noted that there has been no request for monies in the previous year. This matter has been discussed previously in that any donation made must be solely for the purpose of Maesteg Town Hall and no other facility however if no donation request is made then a payment cannot be sent. The clerk to place the Town Hall on May's agenda.

The agreed precept/budget was discussed and the monies set aside to assist with a crossing patrol person is to be relocated. There is no money allocated for grass cutting as the park keepers wages include these costs now.

The accounts were approved by Cllr Williams and seconded by Cllr L Morgan.

14.17 Clerk's Report

The clerk advised the council that the minutes would be sent within 14 days of the meeting being held, therefore giving councillors a clear two weeks to peruse the same. The agenda and correspondence would follow on at a later date. All councillors were in agreement with this. The clerk advised the Council's insurance was up for renewal and will look around for other quotes. Additionally, the clerk advised she had obtained the services of one further company who could possibly provide a quote for the solar lights. The clerk to further this as soon as possible.

15.17 Members Reports

Cllr Griffiths

Cllr Griffiths raised the signs in Llangynwyd Village pertaining to heavy vehicles. The damage to the walls has cost the church in excess of £18,000 to repair. Heavy vehicles should be aware not to use this road however there have been some complaints relating to the size of the signs erected. Most residents are happy with the situation however and small signs would not have been apparent enough.

Cllr James

Cllr James advised he has received a number of complaints regarding the mess being left behind after the recycling collections. He advised the council that the repairs to the pot holes at Heol Y Bryn have been carried out. Llan Road is in a mess with temporary traffic lights that blew a fuse after only two days.

Cllr James also advised in March he attended the St David's Day concert at Llangynwyd Primary School, he stated it was an extremely enjoyable day and very difficult to judge the competitions.

Cllr Jones

Cllr Jones noted the leaflet that has been printed relating to walking paths in the area. This leaflet was created largely thanks to Roy Meredith and the chairman to write to him to thank him in this regard and send a gift of a book token to express the council's thanks.

Cllr Jones advised he had recently attended a number of events including the Viva La Diva concert that was held in the Catholic Church along with the Murder Mystery Night that was held at the Workmen's. He advised this was a really good evening's entertainment.

Cllr Jones informed the council that appraisals of both the clerk and park keeper would take place shortly. At this juncture the clerk left the room for the councillors to discuss any issues to be raised during said appraisal.

16.17 Items for the May 2016 Meeting

- War Memorial
- Website
- Appraisals
- Summer Event
- Speed Signs
- Rights of Way
- Solar Lights
- Town Hall

17.17 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is to be held at 6:30pm on Monday May 9th 2016 with the AGM immediately preceding the meeting at 6pm.

The meeting closed at 8:30pm.

Signature of Chairman_____

Name of Chairman in print _____ **Date**_____