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Minutes of the Ordinary Full Council Meeting Llangynwyd Village Hall Monday February 9th 2015

Members Present

Cllr D Berry (Chairperson)
Cllr D Jones
Cllr D Morgan
Cllr L Morgan
Cllr James
Cllr C Griffiths
Cllr T Griffiths
Cllr E Guscott
Cllr P Sasiruban
Cllr I Williams
Cllr M Griffith Jones

Clerk: Mrs N Morgan

The Meeting commenced at 6.30pm and was chaired by Councillor D Berry.

175.15 Apologies for Absence

Councillor Davies was not in attendance.

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

Councillor I Williams Cwmfelin School

Maesteg Comprehensive School

Maesteg Town Council Maesteg Celtic RFC

Councillor E Guscott Cwmfelin Primary School

Llangynwyd Primary School

Councillor D Jones Llangynwyd Rangers

Councillor M Griffith Jones Cwmfelin Primary School

Llangynwyd Primary School

Councillor M James

Bridgend CBC Planning Matters

Councillor P Sasiruban

Village Hall

177.15 Ratification of Minutes of January 2015 Meeting

Councillor Jones added the minutes should reflect the discussion re the Christmas event whereby in future the "grotto" could be located in the next room in the Village Hall. Additionally the decision not to place a donation at the Christmas Event was agreed however it should be noted that donations from sponsors would be gratefully received.

Resolved: The minutes were a true recording of proceedings. Proposed by Councillor Williams and seconded by Councillor D Morgan.

178.15 Matters Arising from the Minutes

With regards the dog fouling bags it was proposed that signs be made up detailing where bags are available to be collected.

With regards the pot holes on Llan Road, Councillor James advised these have been earmarked for repair.

Councillor Williams requested unadopted lanes be placed on the agenda for next month.

179.15 Police Matters

The Clerk advised there had been a number of conversations with the police and crime figures had been provided and it is hoped they will continue to be:

- ASB Ty Llwyd
- ASB Station Road x 2
- Burglary Maesteg Road
- Theft Bridgend Road
- Violence Heol y Bryn
- Damage Cwmfelin Primary School

180.15 Public Address

Maria Brewster the safeguarding officer of Llangynwyd Rangers was in attendance to address the Council as previously arranged. Mrs Brewster wished to address the Council with regards issues of dog fouling and litter on the playing fields. BCBC has been contacted and had agreed to add one additional bin to the playing field, bringing the number of bins there to two. The bin however has been located in the car park.

Mrs Brewster advised coaches were having to monitor the fields and collect the litter and dog mess themselves before any games are able to be played. They have minimal equipment – buckets and scoops and Mrs Brewster has liaised with Keep Wales Tidy who may be able to assist with the provision of clearing and cleaning equipment. The issue will still remain however with regards the lack of rubbish bins. It was requested could bins be moved from Parc Tir Iarll to the playing field or could the council provide additional bins in the area. The Council agreed to agenda this for next month and contact Mrs Brewster in due course.

Mr Gavin Brewster was also in attendance as the club secretary for Llangynwyd Rangers to discuss the issue with regards pitch allocation. He advised a meeting had previously been held with Mark Shepherd and Phil White of BCBC regarding the takeover of the pavilion. It was noted that Andrew Hobbs would be sending letters re the consultation process in the near future. Mr Brewster asked should Llangynwyd Rangers be interested in taking over the pavilion, would the community council be interested in assisting the same.

This matter to be placed on the agenda for next month.

181.15 Correspondence

All matters of correspondence were duly noted.

The Clerk advised the Council that a letter of resignation had been received from Councillor G W Davies MBE. Unfortunately Councillor Davies felt he no longer had the time to dedicate to the community council therefore the position should be vacated.

The Clerk to contact BCBC with regards advertising the position. Should no applications be received then co option can be discussed in April.

The Clerk requested to contact Councillor Davies thanking him for all his time and support over the years.

The Clerk advised there was confirmation from BCBC that they had no plans to adopt the open spaces in Parc Tyn y Waun, however Councillor James advised there was an ongoing agreement with the probation service that they would take care of the grass cutting of the open spaces there.

The correspondence from BCBC stated Macob had never offered BCBC the opportunity to adopt the open spaces however this is incorrect as BCBC were given the opportunity to adopt the spaces but refused due to issues with drainage.

Councillor James will obtain contact details for the administrators of Macob to discuss the possibility and cost of the community council taking over the open spaces.

It has been noted that the rotten street light pole has been removed. This item to be placed on next month's agenda with a view to looking at alternative lighting.

The Clerk advised she had sent letters to a number of occupiers at Heol Cadrawd regarding the parking issues and the obstruction of the pavements. One occupier contacted the clerk requesting a letter be sent to another neighbour which was duly done.

Councillor Berry expressed his wish to attend the Maesteg League of Friends Concert and the Clerk to arrange a ticket and payment for the same.

A donation request has been received from The Teenage Cancer Trust and after some discussion it was agreed that £50 would be donated. This was unanimously agreed.

182.15 Planning

The Clerk advised she had lodged an application for planning permission for a new lock up outside Parc Tir Iarll and new plans etc has been sent to BCBC.

There were no objections to the amended plans for Gadlys Villa.

183.15 Tourism Signs

Councillor James advised he would chase this matter up. It may be worth requesting any sign to be placed on the roundabout from the Maesteg Direction.

184.15 Easter Event

A meeting is to be arranged for the Easter Event to discuss leaflets, eggs, painting of pebbles etc.

185.15 Wil Hopkin Memorial

It has been noted that the paint is coming off the memorial and is in need of a touch up. It has however been agreed that the stonemason will do this work for the community council upon completion of the Llangynwyd War Memorial.

186.16 War Memorial

The drawings of the proposed memorial were given by the stonemason to the village hall. Councillor James also has a copy of the drawings. It was requested that all Councillors begin to think of possible inscriptions for the memorial. A Remembrance Book was discussed and the possibility of the same being located inside the Village Hall.

The Clerk advised after conversations with The War Memorial Trust and the British Legion, no grants were available for new memorials.

187.15 Welsh Language

This matter was discussed in some detail and it was agreed the agenda would be bilingual forth going, all event leaflets would be double sided and possibly the Easter quiz could be bilingual.

188.15 Budget

Councillor James advised he was no longer able to sit on the finance committee. There is a need for two new finance committee members and an additional planning committee member. This matter to be placed on the agenda for next month.

The Budget was looked at and agreed. The Christmas Lights need to be looked at as do flower baskets. The Clerk to send the Christmas light catalogue to all members.

It was agreed that the "General" fund become known as the S137 Fund.

189.15 Members Reports

Councillor Williams

Councillor Williams asked could any dog fouling bags be placed in the pavilion and this was agreed.

Councillor Guscott

Councillor Guscott advised she had attended the recent Young Llynfi meeting and they were in the process of establishing codes of conduct, environmental policies etc and she would updated the Council further after the next meeting.

Councillor James

Councillor James mentioned the issues with street lighting and that shortly every other street light will be out after a certain time.

He also advised a highways officer had inspected the road to Aber Baiden and could find no issues that need addressing there.

Councillor James advised the chapel had now been sold and the new evacuation point for the school will be the pavilion.

Councillor Jones

Councillor Jones advised the £1000 donation had been received by the town hall. The concern was that would this money be taken by the new non profit organisation that has taken over the Town Hall, Porthcawl Pavilion etc. Councillor Jones stated he would advise the council further next month.

Councillor Berry

Councillor Berry advised he has recently attended the Cor Meibion Ar Cylch Concert and it was thoroughly enjoyable.

190.15 Finance and Accounts

The financial records were put before the Council. They were approved by Councillor Williams and seconded by Councillor Morgan.

191.15 Items for the March 2015 Meeting

- Tourism Signs
- Events
- Lighting
- Parc Tir Iarll
- Finance Committee
- Planning Committee
- Pavilion
- Community Councillor Vacancy
- Litter Bins Llan Rangers
- Dog Fouling
- Open Spaces Parc Tyn y Waun
- Unadopted Lanes

192.15 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is to be held at 6:30pm on Monday March 9th 2015 at Llangynwyd Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8:30pm.

Signature of Chairman	
Name of Chairman in print	Date