CYNGOR CYMUNED YSTALYFERA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at Godre'r Graig School, on 17th May 2018

Present

Cllr. Terry Flynn (Chair) Cllrs. Alun Llewellyn, Ann Lewis, Rosalyn Davies, Emyr Wyn Williams, Brian Hastie, Cathy James, Bryan Lewis, Julie Jones, Tristian Lewis

Apologies

Name	Reason
Cllr. Rhian Llewelyn	School Trip
Cllr. Geraint Williams	Holiday
Cllr. Ann Jenkins	Illness
Cllr. Simon Prothero	Working
Cllr. Arwel Hughes	Working

Not Present

		ACTION
4085.	**Welcome and late Apologies** Chair welcomed all to the meeting. Chair gave vote of thank to Cllr E.W. Williams for his chairmanship over the previous year.	
4086.	**Christmas Lights (Centregreat)** • Discussion with Mike Stephens and Councillors took place before the meeting. • It was decided that certain areas would be prioritised for this Christmas and other areas looked at for next year. Resolved. • It was decided that it was a priority to purchase new 'banner frame style' lights for Commercial Street for this year. Mike Stephens showed the Council a selection of 'used' options that would be cheaper than buying new. Resolved. • It was also decided that the Council should provide lights on Ffordd Emlyn. Mike Stephens will need to assess. • A total budget of £10,000 was agreed for this year's lights, including fitting, servicing and erecting the Christmas Trees. Resolved. • It was decided that a project group meeting be arranged before the next meeting of the Council. Resolved noted.	Clerk to arrange project group meeting. Also, contact Mike Stephens regarding Ffordd Emlyn.

4087.	**Defibrillators at Ynysmeudwy FC** • Clerk stated that she had arranged defibrillator training at the football club for 6:30pm on 25th May 2018. Open to all interested in attending. Resolved.	
4088.	**Alltygrug Action Group** • Clerk stated that she had contacted Gaynor Richards regarding meeting with the action group before the next Council Meeting. No response received as yet.	Clerk to follow up.
4089.	**Fencing at Ystalyfera MUGA** • Quote received from Glantawe Landscapes for wooden fence (to be built behind new mesh fencing) for privacy reasons (houses on Ynysydarren Road) - £1,450.00. • All agreed that the quote was too expensive. Chair proposed that planting ivy to grow over the mesh fence would provide adequate privacy. Cllr B. Hastie seconded this. Resolved.	Clerk to check with Glantawe Landscapes whether ivy would be a realistic option.
4090.	**Dog Waste Bin at Carreg yr Afon Park** • It was suggested that the Community Council purchase a bin and ask NPTCBC if they would empty it. • It was suggested that a 'No Dog Waste Please' sign be put on the bin in the park.	Cllr R. Davies to follow up with NPTCBC.
4091.	**ROSPA** • Report received from park inspections. • Cllrs to review report.	Clerk to email report to Cllrs.
4092.	**Bench for The Gardens, Ystalyfera** • Bench is ready to be collected and installed. Resolved.	Clerk to arrange collection and installation.
4093.	**Plants and Planters** • Clerk was informed that Quids In do not have 'Working at height' insurances. • Cllr A. Llewelyn suggested that Crynant Landscapes complete the lamppost and trough work in Ystalyfera. All agreed – Resolved. • It was suggested that Quids In fill the planters in Godre'r Graig. Resolved. • Cllr E.W. Williams suggested that further planters be ordered from Quids In. All agreed - Resolved.	Clerk to order plants with Crynant landscapes for Ystalyfera. Cllr E.W. Williams to order planters from Quids In.
4094.	**Alltygrug Park** • Park is leased on a yearly basis. • Cllr A. Llewelyn suggested that the Council obtain a longer lease.	Clerk to contact Cooke & Arkwright regarding this.
4095.	**Ystradgynlais Hospital** • It was stated that there are cross-boundary issues. • Cllr A. Llewelyn to feed back after speaking to Carolyn Edwards. • Issues with surgery booking was raised. Cllr A. Llewelyn will raise this issue. Resolved noted.	Cllr A. Llewelyn to discuss with C. Edwards.
4096.	**GDPR** • Clerk attended meeting at Neath Town Council to discuss GDPR and appointing a DPO. • Discussions being held regarding possibility of appointing a cluster DPO.	Resolved that Clerk to keep in touch with cluster.

4097.	**Business Forum** • Business fair arranged for 6-8:30pm on 19th June 2018. • Church hall booked. £20 charge. • Buffet to be booked by Llinos Haf (Cymraeg Byd Busnes). Resolved.	Clerk to discuss arrangements with Llinos Haf.
4098.	**Community Council Youth Representative** • It was decided that Cwmtawe School be offered a Youth Rep as well as Ysgol Gymraeg Ystalyfera. Resolved noted.	Clerk to contact school.
4099.	**Cenotaph** • A meeting was held at the cenotaph earlier in the day. Good news received, the owners are going to gift the cenotaph to the community (via the Community Council). Resolved noted. • The owners also stated that they had found another remembrance stone plaque in the social club that could be gifted to the community.	Clerk to contact One Voice Wales for legal advice.
4100.	**CATCH** • Cllr B. Hastie stated that free sandwich making facilities and ingredients would be offered to families in need over the school holidays.	
4101.	**Project Group** • It was decided that the project group would meet with Big Lottery regarding possible funding availability for projects. • Resolved that meeting arranged for 9:30am on Saturday 26th May 2018.	
4102.	**Financial** • Clerk informed Council that the accounts are currently with internal auditors. • The external audit will take place on 19th June 2018. Resolved noted.	Clerk to liaise with internal and external auditors as required.
4103.	**Penyrallt Park** • Cllr A. Llewelyn stated that repairs were needed to the fence at Penyrallt Park. • Cllr A. Llewelyn proposed an emergency repair at cost of £680. Cllr R. Davies seconded. Resolved.	Clerk to arrange repair with Glantawe Landscapes.
4104.	**Tiddlywinks** • It was agreed that Tiddlywinks can use the Community Hall on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 3:00 – 5:30pm every week. Resolved.	
4105.	**Hywel Williams – correspondence regarding Wern School** • Letter received regarding the suggestion of a book being written regarding Wern School, Ystalyfera and possible future uses for the building. • Cllr A. Llewelyn had spoken to Mr Williams previously regarding this matter. • It was agreed that the Community Council would sponsor the book but not be involved in writing it. Resolved. • It was stated that there has been no decision made regarding the future of the school building as yet. The building will be transferred from the Education to the Estates department of NPTCBC.	Clerk to respond.

	• It was decided that it would not be cost-effective to make the school a community hub (as suggested in the letter). Resolved.	
4106.	**Paul Lisk – correspondence regarding piece of land, Ystalyfera** • Land not owned by NPTCBC. • Cllr A. Llewelyn suggested that the Community Council could purchase it via NPTCBC.	Cllr A. Llewelyn to pursue.
4107.	**Planning – Hawkings, Land at Graig Road Godre'r Graig.** (Cllrs A. Llewelyn & R. Davies left the room). • No objections, planning agreed. Resolved.	Clerk to email planning dept NPTCBC.
4108.	**Accounts –** 704142 CHUBB £63.45 704143 One Voice Wales (Training) £40.00 704144 Npower £719.11 704145 A. Thomas £515.58 704146 N. Parr-Williams £722.44 704147 HMRC £340.53 704148 City of Swansea Pensions £225.96 704149 SSE £32.99 BACS Zurich Insurance £1,210.70 704150 SSE £148.93 704151 One Voice Wales (Training) £40.00 704152 SSE £98.47 704153 Fergusons & Peters (Int. Aud.) £720.00	
	The next meeting of the Council will be held at 7:00pm on 21st June 2018 at the Community Hall, Ystalyfera.	