CYNGOR CYMUNED YSTALYFERA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at the Ystalyfera Community Hall on 20th June 2019

Present

Cllr. Ann Lewis (Chair) Cllrs. Rosalyn Davies, Alun Llewelyn, Rhian Llewelyn, Geraint Williams, Brian Hastie, Emyr Wyn Williams, Julie Jones

Apologies

Name	**Reason**
Cllr. Ann Jenkins	Holiday
Cllr. Simon Prothero	Holiday
Cllr. Tristian Lewis	Working
Cllr. Cathy James	Personal Reasons
Cllr. Terry Flynn	Unavailable
Cllr. Bryan Lewis	Unavailable
Other Absence:	
Cllr. Arwel Hughes	Leave of Absence

		ACTION
4274.	**Welcome and late Apologies** Chair welcomed all to the meeting. No late apologies.	
4275.	**Public Questions** There was a member of the public in attendance and some delicate matters were discussed. NPTCBC to be contacted regarding this matter. Resolved.	
4276.	**Minutes of previous meeting: All Agreed - Resolved.** • Clerk reported that she has arranged a meeting with Centregreat on Wednesday 26th June at 11am regarding Christmas lights on Ystalyfera RFC trees. All members welcome to attend the meeting. Resolved.	Clerk to inform RFC of meeting.
4277.	**Planters** • Cllr G. Williams reported that one of the planters on Graig Road, Godre'r Graig had been destroyed. It was reported that the Police were aware of this matter and that an individual had been spotted aiming to damage cars as well as the planter. • All agreed that the planter be replaced - Resolved. • Cllr G. Williams reported that the planter outside the Butchers in Ystalyfera will be planted and positioned shortly. Resolved. • It was suggested that volunteers be targeted via Facebook and website in order to help with watering and a new Community Garden. Resolved. • Clerk presented quote for self-watering trough planters for signposts (as previously discussed) £637.50 + VAT for 4 planters. All agreed to purchase. Resolved.	Cllr G. Williams to order replacement planter. Clerk to advertise for volunteers on FB & Website. Clerk to order trough planters.
4278.	**Cenotaph** • Clerk reported that she had heard from the solicitor that the Thompsons have now signed the paperwork for the transfer of the	Clerk to liaise with solicitor, Cllr A. Lewis &

	cenotaph. She suggested that Cllr A. Lewis and Cllr T. Flynn sign the papers on behalf of the council. <u>All agreed – Resolved</u>. • It was suggested that an official handover event be arranged with invitations to the media and possibly a school choir or musicians to entertain during the event. <u>All agreed</u> that this would be a good idea. <u>Resolved</u>.	Cllr T. Flynn to sign. Clerk to invite representatives from Ysgol Gymraeg Ystalyfera and the media to the official opening.
4279.	**Zip Wire & Project Group** **Zip Wire** • Cllr A. Llewelyn reported that the Members Community Fund had approved funding for the zip-wire project. All agreed that thanks should be given to Paul Hinder for his help and support throughout the application process. <u>Resolved.</u> • Clerk reported that the order for the zip-wire from Sutcliffe Play could take 6 weeks. All agreed that Clerk process the order asap. • Clerk reported that conditions of the lease from Tai Tarian would mean that a basic fence would need to be placed around the leased area so as to differentiate the Community Council maintenance responsibilities. Clerk has received quotes for this as follows: Timber & Mesh £2,500.00 Metal & Mesh £4,500.00 <u>Resolved</u> that the cheaper option be actioned if possible. **Outdoor Gym** • Clerk reported that the funding application had been completed by herself, Cllrs A. Lewis and C. James and submitted to 'Awards for All'. She explained that a decision could take 10 weeks. <u>Resolved noted</u>. • Clerk reported that she had liaised with Chris Davies, NPTCBC Planning, and he had stated that the land at the Cilbrwyn may require a change of use. The same may be said for the land at the Community Hall. **Farteg Surface Repairs** • Clerk reported that while the contractors were at Farteg Park, they noticed that the spinner pole was lose and moving 20cm. It needed re-concreting before the surface repairs could be done. This was at a cost of £400.00. As this work had to be done immediately to avoid accidents, the Clerk checked with the Vice-Chair (as the Chair was working at the time and could not be contacted) that he was happy to go ahead with this work, to which he agreed. <u>Resolved.</u> • Clerk reported that all work had now been completed and stated that she has added photos of the resurfacing works to the council website. <u>Resolved.</u> **Park Inspections** • Clerk reported that the ROSPA park inspections are now due. All agreed to go ahead. <u>Resolved.</u> • It was decided that now that Farteg Park has been maintained, Penyrallt Park should be looked at next. It was decided that a park visit be arranged for Thursday 27th June at 6:30pm. <u>Resolved.</u>	Clerk to order zip-wire from Sutcliffe Play. Clerk to liaise further with Steve Tucker. Clerk to contact NPTCBC Planning for further information. Clerk to instruct ROSPA.

	• Cllr A. Llewelyn reported that there is knotweed at the edge of Alltygrug Park. All agreed that quotes from NPTCBC, Gabe Thomas and Glantawe Landscapes be requested to remove this. Resolved. • Clerk reported that she still had received no reply from Cooke & Arkwright regarding extending the lease at Allygrug Park. She will chase up.	Clerk to obtain quotes. Clerk to contact Cooke & Arkwright.
4280.	**Ystalyfera RFC** • Cllrs A. Llewelyn, A. Lewis, G. Williams & E.W. Williams reported that they had been to a meeting with Ystalyfera RFC. The club explained that due to their achievements and promotion to the Rugby Championship for next season that much costly work need to be done within the club. The club requested that a donation be made from the Community Council to help with some of this cost. • Clerk reported that she had received advice from One Voice Wales regarding this and as the club are a not-for-profit organisation, then donations can be made towards certain aspects that are community focused e.g. Youth kits, senior citizen teams, charity/community events etc. • All agreed that donations of up to £4,000 be made to the rugby club. It was suggested that this could be given in instalments over a longer period if thought appropriate. Resolved.	Clerk to arrange meeting with Ystalyfera RFC.
4281.	**Planning** Resolved There were no planning applications to discuss.	
4282.	**Community Hall** • Clerk reported that Swift will start works on the toilets at the end of June. Resolved. • Clerk mentioned that she had attended a Dementia Awareness session. She stated that it may be possible to get dementia friendly toilet seat and bars for the new disabled toilet. All agreed that this was a good idea. Resolved. • Clerk suggested that she could invite Marcia Vale to a future meeting to discuss Dementia Friendly initiatives. Cllr A. Llewelyn suggested also inviting Kirsty Richards and that this could be a separate session. All agreed – Resolved.	Clerk to contact Swift re: blue toilet seat & bars. Clerk to arrange session.
4283.	**Accounts & Finance:** • Clerk reported that she had received internal audit report. Clerk read report to council. Members were satisfied with comments made. Resolved. • Clerk presented Annual Return to council and explained variances. Annual Return approved by council and signed by Chair. Resolved. • Clerk reported that she had prepared all additional documents for external audit and informed members that everything was ready to be sent to external auditors. Resolved noted. **Accounts:** BACS 026 SSE MUGA lights Ynysmeudwy £268.00 BACS 027 J. Smith (Handyman) £50.00 BACS 028 & 029 Staff Wages & Expenses £1863.42 BACS 030 HMRC (June Tax & NI) £155.68	Clerk to send documents to BDO for external audit.

	BACS	031	City & County Swansea Pensions	£336.41	
	BACS	032	A.J. Williams Electrical	£130.00	
	C269	033	Crynant Landscapes	£830.40	
	BACS	034	Fergusons & Peters Accountants	£720.00	
	C270	035	Newhall Janitorial	£127.34	
	BACS	036	BT Broadband	£110.68	
	C271	037	Newhall Janitorial	£52.46	
	C272	038	SSE Unmetered Supply (Christmas lights)	£51.64	
	BACS	039	Dragon Play (Farteg Repairs)	£3360.00	
	DD	040	Vodafone	£24.57	
	DD	041	Survey Monkey	£29.17	
	DD	042	NPTCBC Hall Council Tax	£268.00	
	BACS	043	PC World Business	£408.98	
	BACS	044	Dwr Cymru	£132.54	
	BACS	045	Amberol (Trough Planters)	£765.00	
	INCOME		Dance Class (Hall Hire)	£300.00	
	Transfer from Business Account 121 to Current Account: £8,000.00				
4284.	**Correspondence** • Cllr A. Llewelyn – request for donation for end of year party at Ysgol Gymraeg Ystalyfera (juniors). All agreed that £100 be donated and that £100 also be offered to Godre'r Graig School Parents Association to pay for a party. Resolved. • Helen O'Farrell – requesting update on disabled bay parking outside YDT. • A. Micah, Ysgol Gymraeg Ystalyfera – request asking how much the Community Council are prepared to donate to the Ystalyfera Mural project. Clerk to ascertain how much they will need. All agreed to pay for all paints and brushes. Resolved. • R. Howells – Alltygrug Park Knotweed. Matter Resolved in minute 4279. • Premier Stores – Cllr A. Llewelyn stated that the owners of the store are willing to help with Community Events. Resolved noted. • B. Hastie – request as to childcare arrangements in the area. Not sure if there is free childcare in the area.				Clerk to issue cheques. Clerk to forward to Cllr A. Llewelyn for follow-up. Clerk to liaise with school. Members to research this.
	The next meeting of council will take place at 7:00pm on 18th July 2019 at the Community Hall, Ystalyfera.				