CYNGOR CYMUNED YSTALYFERA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at Ystalyfera Community Hall, on 17th January 2019

Present

Cllr. Ann Lewis (Vice-chair) Cllrs. Alun Llewelyn, Rosalyn Davies, Emyr Wyn Williams, Julie Jones, Geraint Williams, Ann Jenkins, Rhian Llewelyn, Brian Hastie, Cathy James

Apologies

Name	Reason
Cllr. Tristian Lewis	Personal Reasons
Cllr. Simon Prothero	Working

		ACTION
4207.	**Welcome and late Apologies** Chair welcomed all to the meeting. No late apologies received. Text correspondence received from Cllr. Arwel Hughes requesting Leave of Absence for 6 months due to work requirements. Request approved – Resolved.	
4208.	**Minutes of previous meeting: All Agreed - Resolved.** **4195: Christmas** • It was suggested that there should be an early discussion regarding plans for next Christmas (March/April). All agreed – Resolved noted. • It was reported that NPTCBC are removing and shredding the old Christmas trees. • It was reported that all spare Selection Boxes from the Christmas party were donated to CATCH. Resolved. **4199: Signs** • Cllr A. Llewelyn reported that there will be a review of the LDP. He will raise issues surrounding heritage. All agreed - Resolved. • Correspondence from Peter Ryan requesting tourist signage e.g. at Tarenni (Cycle Path etc). He also offered to help with the heritage trail. All agreed - Resolved.	Clerk to place 'Christmas' on the March or April meeting agenda. Cllr A. Llewelyn to report to council.
4209 .	**January St Dwynwen / Burns Event** • Clerk reported that she had purchased raffle tickets for use on the night. Resolved. • Cllr R. Llewelyn offered to bring a microwave oven to heat the haggis. Resolved. • It was agreed that Councillors to share event on Facebook to increase publicity. Resolved. • It was decided that some decorations should be bought (Welsh & Scottish bunting and hearts bunting). Resolved noted.	Clerk to order bunting.

4210.	**Planters** • Cllr G. Williams reported that he and Cllr E.W. Williams had removed the lights from the small Christmas trees to be used again next year. Resolved. • It was suggested that some of the trees in the planters could be planted in the vicinity of the planters so that they can be used next year. It could be that permission to do this from NPTCBC estates dept. may be necessary. Resolved noted. • It was decided that the Spring planting would be discussed in the next meeting. Resolved. • All agreed that Crynant Landscapes would be used for the Ystalyfera village centre lamp-post planting. Resolved. • All agreed that Quids In would be used for planters at Graig Newydd Green, Carreg yr Afon park and all other current planters. Resolved.	Clerk to contact NPTCBC estates to gain permission. Clerk to contact Quids In and Crynant Landscapes.
4211.	**Cenotaph** • Clerk reported that she had emailed solicitors for update. No response as yet. • It was suggested the plaques inside the old Social Club and the plaques at Pantteg Chapel be looked at to see if they are suitable for use in the cenotaph. All agreed - Resolved. • It was suggested that a visit to Pantteg Chapel be arranged to see if there are any plaques that could be used in the cenotaph. Resolved.	Clerk to invite memorial mason to look at plaques. Cllr A. Llewelyn to contact Pantteg Chapel.
4212.	**Library** • Cllr E.W. Williams and Clerk emailed Jonathan Parker again to ascertain the situation regarding the library. Awaiting response. • Cllr E. W. Williams to bring the matter to the attention of the Practice Manager. All agreed – Resolved.	Cllr E.W. Williams to follow up.
4213.	**Zip Wire & Project Group** • It was reported that comments had been made on Facebook that Carreg yr Afon Park play equipment 'is rubbish'. Cllr R. Davies explained to the complainant that approx. £80,000.00 had been spent on the play equipment. Resolved. • It was suggested that the play equipment be painted so that it looks better. All agreed - Resolved. • Cllr A. Llewelyn stated that he had spoken to Paul Hinder and that he had suggested some funding may be available for a zip-wire. • Cllrs E.W. Williams and G. Williams reported that they had walked past the area at the Cilbrwyn, Graig Road, Godre'r Graig and stated that the area would be ideal for an outdoor gym. They reported good footfall by joggers and dog-walkers. All agreed that this area should be used. Resolved. • It was agreed that grass matting may be needed for the outdoor gym – Clerk to obtain quotes. Resolved noted. • It was decided that the next project group meeting would be held on Tuesday 12th February 2019 at the Community Hall, Ystalyfera. Resolved.	Clerk to get quotes for painting park equipment. Clerk to forward project group minutes to Cllr A. Llewelyn. Clerk to get quotes for outdoor gym and grass matting.

4214.	**Draft Welsh Language Policy** • Members considered that Draft Welsh Language Policy created by the Clerk in conjunction with the Welsh Language Commissioner's Office. • Some amendments were required. All agreed to adopt Welsh Language Policy as soon as amendments are made. Resolved.	Clerk to amend policy as requested and send to WL Commissioner for approval.
4215.	**January Grant Applications** • Marie Curie: £25 • Teenage Cancer Trust: were given donation in July 2018. Will be deferred until July 2019. • CISS: £25 • Age Cymru Swansea Bay: £25 • Ystalyfera RFC Juniors: £100 • Chunky 7's: £300 sponsorship of event – All agreed. • Godre'r Graig Playgroup: more information needed. • Ystalyfera Bowls Club: £200 • Ynysmeudwy FC: £100 • St David's Church Hall: £100 • Tawe Angling: £100 All agreed. Resolved.	Clerk to contact Godre'r Graig Playgroup for more information. Clerk to issue cheques.
4216.	**Planning** (Cllrs A. Llewelyn and R. Davies declared an interest and left the room). Resolved. • J.O. Morgan, Graig Twrch Farm, Lower Cwmtwrch: Application to change the register of Common Land (NPT0046) – No objection. Planning agreed.	Clerk to send responses to NPTCBC.
4217.	**Community Hall** • Clerk reported that the Community Hall will be looked at in detail during the February meeting and any maintenance issued raised. All agreed - Resolved. • February meeting will be conducted at the Community Hall in order for the building to be assessed. Resolved.	Clerk to add this item to February agenda.
4218.	**Correspondence** • Christmas Greetings Card: Jeremy Miles AM • Mid & West Wales Fire & Rescue: On-call fire service changes. • Clare Sim NPTCBC: Review of polling stations. • Royal Mail: letter sent from Royal Mail to incorrect recipient. Could be a GDPR issue. All Agreed – Resolved.	Clerk to contact Ysgol Ystalyfera and raise GDPR issue.

4219.	**Clerk's Incremental Rise:** <u>All agreed</u> that Clerk should be awarded incremental rise. <u>Resolved.</u> **Accounts:** BACS — Viking (Shredder & Ink) — £111.04 BACS — BT Broadband (December) — £70.68 704231 — Ystalyfera Development Trust (Xmas Printing) — £24.00 704232 — Tai Tarian (Lease Farteg Park) — £100.00 704233 — NPTCBC (Lease Pen yr Allt Park) — £200.00 704234 — Centregreat (Xmas lights works) — £5788.80 704235 — Dwr Cymru (Com. Hall) — £175.33 704236 — Mark Bentley (Frog bin installations) — £110.00 704237 — Cooke & Arkwright (Lease Alltygrug Park) — £250.00 704238 — BT Payphone (Com. Hall) — £133.32 704239 — Capel Jerusalem (Xmas lights) — £50.00 704240 — Ysgol Gymraeg Ystalyfera (Xmas band) — £80.00 704241 — D. Jenkins — £40.00 BACS — Viking (Stationery) — £113.69 BACS — BT Broadband (January) — £70.68 BACS — Staff Wages & Expenses — £1705.42 704242 — HMRC (January Tax & NI) — £269.89 704243 — City & County Swansea (Xmas train hire) — £349.99 704244 — W. Jones (Park Honorarium) — £100.00 704245 — N. Prothero (Park Honorarium) — £100.00 704246 — S. Mansell (Park Honorarium) — £100.00 704247 — J. Austin (Park Honorarium) — £100.00 DD — Survey Monkey — £29.17 DD — Vodafone — £24.00 DD — Council Tax Community Hall — £262.00 Income — Community Hall Hire — £215.00 Income — January Event — £95.00 Income — SW Police (Lease) — £1000.00 <u>Resolved</u>.	
	The next meeting of the Council will be held at 7:00pm on 21st March 2019 at Godre'r Graig School.	