CYNGOR CYMUNED YSTALYFERA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at the Community Hall, Ystalyfera and via Zoom on 20th July 2023 at 7:00pm

Present

Cllr. Terry Flynn (Chair) Cllrs. Rhian Llewelyn, Rachel Townsend, Ann Jenkins, Rosalyn Davies, Alun Llewelyn (online)

Apologies

Name	Reason
Cllr. Ann Lewis	Personal
Cllr. Simon Prothero	Working
Cllr. Cathy James	Working
Cllr. Hayley Morgan	Working
Cllr. Julie Jones	Personal
Cllr. Emyr Wyn Williams	Personal
Cllr. Geraint Williams	Personal

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4735.	**Welcome, Declarations of Interest and late Apologies** Chair welcomed all to the meeting. No late apologies. Declarations of interest: Item 6, Cllr R. Davies as Member of NPTCBC Planning Committee. Cllr A. Llewelyn also declared an interest in item 6 as Member of NPTCBC to avoid pre-determination issues. Resolved.	
4736.	**Minutes of previous meeting & matters arising:** All agreed that the minutes were a correct record - **Resolved.** • Following on from minute 4728 Matters Arising, Clerk reported that E. Lye has been in touch to report that NPTCBC Libraries will not issue a computer to them in order to run the library as they do not work for NPTCBC. IT dept. will not issue a computer. Plans for opening the library are therefore on stop at present. Cllr A. Llewelyn stated he will liaise with IT regarding this issue. Resolved. • Following on from minute 4730 Project Group, Members decided to replace the Pride flags with Welsh flags now that Pride month is over. Resolved noted. • Following on from minute 4730 Project Group, Cllr R. Davies stated that the planters on the entrance to Graig Newydd had not been planted with flowers. Clerk reported that they have been cleared and are ready to plant. It was suggested that next year, local residents again be offered the opportunity to 'adopt a planter'. Take-up was not great last time this was tried, but Members thought it would be a good idea to try again. All agreed that this matter be discussed during a meeting in the New Year. Cllr A. Llewelyn reported that there is still a tree growing in the stone planter at the bottom of Alltygrug Road that needs removing. Resolved noted. • Following on from minute 4734 Correspondence, Chair reported that he and Cllrs A. Llewelyn, E.W. Williams and G. Williams met with Members of Ystalyfera RFC on Monday to discuss the clubhouse roof. He explained that the club Members stated that their roof was being damaged due to	Cllr A. Llewelyn to liaise with NPTCBC IT dept. Clerk to instruct Andrew and order flags. Clerk to liaise with Andrew.

	balls landing on the roof from the MUGA and skatepark. After looking at the roof, Council Members felt that the roof was in need of replacing. Clerk suggested that they apply for the National Lottery Community Fund in order to obtain funds towards a new roof. Club Members thought this was a good idea. Clerk signposted them to NPTCVS. Chair also suggested that they secure the walkway so that if balls go onto the roof, they will not be retrievable. The outcome of the meeting with regards Council, was that Clerk write to school to ask them to speak to Year 12 and 13 pupils and ask them not to kick balls up onto the roof. CCTV was also discussed. Cllr A. Llewelyn has in the meantime spoken to NPTCBC about the rules for CCTV but they may differ for the rugby club. NPTCBC CCTV covers the public realm rather than individual, privately owned spaces. Chair suggested that the height of the MUGA fence be looked at and a quote obtained for an additional panel to make the fence higher so that balls would not be kicked over the top. NPTCBC planning department would need to be contacted as the fence would then be higher than 3m. Chair also suggested that signs be made to state that ball games should only be played in the MUGA and not in the skatepark. Members agreed with the plans. Resolved noted. • Following on from minute 4734 Correspondence, Clerk reported that S. Mattick has been to the Ffynnon and sorted the issues with the broken slab. Members were pleased with this news. Resolved noted.	Clerk write to school. Clerk to obtain quote and contact NPTCBC planning. Clerk to order signage.
4737.	**Foodbank Update** • Cllr C. James sent an email to Clerk to report that the foodbank had been awarded £10,000 by the National Lottery Community Fund. Members were pleased with this news. Resolved noted. • Cllr A. Jenkins stated that the foodbank was closed when she passed it. It was stated that there had been a message on Facebook to say that it was temporarily closed for a short time. Resolved noted. • Cllr R. Davies asked if the foodbank had joined with Ystradgynlais Foodbank. Clerk explained that they have expanded to Penrhos as Ystradgynlais Foodbank did not deliver to Penrhos. Resolved noted.	Cllr C. James to provide updates.
4738.	**Project Group** The minutes of the Project Group meeting were noted. Resolved noted. It was agreed that the next meeting of the Project Group be organised by Chair of the Project Group in due course. Resolved.	Cllr E.W. Williams to set up next meeting.
4739.	**Finance & Grants** • Clerk reported that due to paying for the outdoor gym (from the funds that were kept from the National Lottery Community Fund), Council reserves were now approx. £36,000. Resolved noted. **Accounts:** Resolved.	Clerk to make BACS payments.

Ref:	Type:	Payee:	Amount: £
065	DD	NPTCBC Hall Council Tax	£294.00
066	DD	Survey Monkey	£44.17
067	BACS	Ystalyfera RFC - Chunky 7's Sponsorship	£200.00
068	BACS	ROSPA Play Safety	£753.60
069	BACS	Broxap - outdoor gym CYA Park	£6,231.60

	070	BACS	Countrywide - Grounds Maintenance	£952.25	
	071	BACS	BT Broadband	£75.23	
	072	BACS	BT Payphone	£133.32	
	073	BACS	EON Gas	£129.00	
	074	BACS	S. Mattick - Grounds Maintenance	£110.00	
	075	BACS	Net World Sports - MUGA Backboard	£206.94	
	076	PayPal	Prestige Flowers - Sympathy flowers & card	£34.97	
	077	DD	iD Mobile	£38.54	
	078-80	BACS	Staff Wages & Expenses	£2,363.00	
	081	BACS	HMRC Tax & NI	£408.73	
	082	BACS	City & County Swansea Pensions	£528.12	
	083	BACS	BT Broadband	£115.23	
	084	BACS	Ynysmeudwy FC - Grant	£200.00	
	085	BACS	Ynysmeudwy FC - Grant (Youth Fund)	£200.00	
	086	BACS	Ystalyfera Bowling Club - Grant	£200.00	
	087	DD	NPTCBC Hall Council Tax	£294.00	
	088	DD	Survey Monkey	£44.17	
	089	DD	iD Mobile	£38.54	
	090	PayPal	eBay - McAffe Total Protection	£11.99	
	091	DD	Dwr Cymru	£88.61	
	092	BACS	Lunch Club Maes Y Darren - Grant (paid to YDT)	£200.00	
	093	BACS	S. Mansell - Honorarium Parc Y Gnoll	£100.00	
	094	BACS	T.A. Handford - Honorarium Alltygrug Park	£100.00	
	095	BACS	G. Griffiths - Honorarium Penyrallt Park	£100.00	
	096	BACS	W. Jones - Honorarium Carreg Yr Afon Park	£100.00	
	097	Chq.	J. Austin - Honorarium Farteg Park	£100.00	
	098	BACS	A. Phillips - Honorarium Ffynnon Cwmtwrch	£100.00	
	099	BACS	Countrywide - Grounds Maintenance	£952.25	
	100	BACS	Fergusons & Peters - Internal Audit	£744.00	
	101-3	BACS	Staff Wages & Expenses	£2,324.09	
	104	BACS	HMRC Tax & NI	£385.39	
	105	BACS	City & County Swansea Pensions	£516.76	
	106	BACS	EON Gas	£108.97	
	107	BACS	BT Broadband	£75.23	

4740.	**Planning** • A consultation on the redevelopment of Tirbach Washery before planning application is submitted was discussed. The proposals state the intention to build 160 residential dwellings on the former washery site. Chair urged Members to look at the consultation but no decision from Council can be made until a formal planning application is submitted. <u>Resolved noted.</u>	Clerk to forward link to Members.
4741.	**Community Hall** • Clerk reported that the new set of keys for Pathfinders Cymru have been ordered from Timpsons. They take a fortnight to be delivered. She will collect once ready. <u>Resolved noted.</u> • Chair stated that the glass in the windows at the front of the hall needs replacing. The hall windows also need replacing. Cllr R. Townsend stated that the front windows are the first thing that people see. Chair	Clerk to get keys. Clerk to obtain quotes.

	suggested getting a quote for the front windows first and then having a rolling programme to replace the other windows over the next few years. Resolved noted.	
4742.	**Correspondence** • NPTCBC – Advice on CCTV for Ystalyfera RFC. Resolved noted. • One Voice Wales – Options on providing cover for Clerk's adoption leave. Members agreed to go ahead with trying to get a Relief Clerk in to cover Clerk's basic duties i.e. correspondence, preparing agenda, minutes, attending meetings and taking minutes. Current Clerk will still carry out RFO duties whilst she is off. Resolved noted. • Signs Express – Quote for replacement signage for Cycle Path. Approx. cost to Council would be £400.00. The other sign could be purchased by Cilybebyll Community Council. Members agreed that if Cilybebyll Community Council are happy to go ahead with their sign, then Ystalyfera Community Council should purchase our sign (prop. Chair, 2nd Cllr Ann Jenkins). Resolved noted. • Cllr R. Davies – Sign for St Illtud's Walk. Cllr R. Davies asked for a new sign to be placed at the top entrance of Godre'r Graig Country Park to replace the missing 'St Illtud's Walk' sign. Members agreed. Resolved noted. • Sioned Williams MS – poster for Community Hall notice board with contact details. Resolved noted. • Chair – Carreg yr Afon Park playground gate. Chair reported that the gate does not properly close. Resolved noted.	Clerk to liaise with OVW. Clerk to liaise with Cilybebyll CC and Signs Express. Clerk to obtain quote. Clerk to place on notice board. Clerk to ask S. Mattick to take a look at the gate.
	The meeting ended at 7:45pm. Chair thanked all for attending the meeting. The next meeting of council will take place at Ystalyfera Development Trust and online on 21st September 2023 at 6:30pm.	