CYNGOR CYMUNED YSTALYFERA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at the YDT and online via Zoom on

11th January 2024 at 7:00pm

Present

Cllr. Terry Flynn (Chair) Cllrs. Rosalyn Davies, Cathy James, Julie Jones, D Davey, Alun Llewelyn (online), Steve Thomas (online) Ann Lewis (online)

Apologies

Name	**Reason**
Cllr A Jenkins	
Cllr G Williams	Unwell
Cllr E W Williams	Working
Cllr Rhian Llewellyn	Personal

		ACTION
4783.	**Welcome, Declarations of Interest and late Apologies:** The Chair welcomed everyone at the meeting (and online) and started the meeting at 7.00 pm. Chair thanked L Evans for taking the minutes and congratulated N Parr-Williams (Clerk) on beginning her Adoption Leave. There were no declaration of interest made at this meeting.	
4784.	**Minutes of Previous Meeting & Matters Arising:**. It was proposed and seconded that the minutes of the meeting held on 14th December 2023 were a correct record - **RESOLVED** • Following on from minute 4774 Matters Arising Ystalyfera RFC roof, Clerk has received a response from the Council Insurance – They are unable to appoint an assessor as no official claim has been made and have questioned proof of damage by MUGA, they have also advised that the Rugby Club contact their own insurance for their thoughts on the matter. If a formal claim is made however, Council is to contact their Insurance who will assist further **RESOLVED** Clerk to inform the RFC of the Councils Insurance response. • Following on from minute 4774 Matters Arising, New Tables – Clerk has contacted Rosehill for a full refund for the tables. Broken tables from MPS will be collected and replaced asap. **RESOLVED** and noted • Following on from minute 4774 Matters Arising, new handles on toilet doors – Cllr G Williams will be liaising with S Mattick regarding the painting in the boiler room, fitting the handles and putting up the signage in the MUGA. **RESOLVED and noted** • Following on from minute 4774 Matters Arising Defibrillators – Clerk informed the meeting that the defibrillators are operational and registered on the network. **RESOLVED all Cllrs were pleased to hear this news.** • Following on from minute 4777 Christmas 2023 – Clerk informed the meeting that the event was well received. Cllr S Thomas confirmed there	Clerk to email the Rugby Club with this information. Caretaker to arrange the collection of the broken tables Cllr G Williams to liaise with S Mattick

	had been a good turnout. Cllr S Thomas did highlight several H&S issues with the sleigh that would need resolving before next years event. Fumes from the petrol generator and vehicle pulling the sleigh (in a low gear) made Santa and the Elf feel unwell by the end of the evening. Only one seat was secure on the sleigh though it was carrying 2 people. It was felt that the sleigh preparations had been rushes and not thought through well enough. Councillors were concerned to hear of these issues and **RESOLVED to raise these issues before next years events or an alternative Sleigh would be sourced.**	To discuss further – Agenda item 4
4785.	**Foodbank Update** • Cllr C James informed the meeting that due to the amount of donations received they were able to deliver 50 Christmas Hampers around the area. Things have now retuned too normal. The Council wished to give their gratitude to all volunteers for their hard work. **RESOLVED**	Cllr C. James to provide updates.
4786.	**Christmas 2023** • Cllr S Thomas gave feedback on the issues that had arising with the Sleigh – see item 4784 Matters Arising. It was noted that the Children did enjoy the evening especially the chocolates. **RESOLVED** • It was noted that there had been complaints regarding the street lights this year, however, the Council are limited with geography and costs. **RESOLVED** • Cllrs R. Davies and A Llewellyn proposed that larger trees would be desirable next year, and to source these early to get the best availability. RESOLVED and noted. • Cllr J Jones reported that all the lights and flags had been taken down and cleared away, and no damage to any items. **RESOLVED and a thank you give to Cllr J Jones.** • Cllr A Llewellyn wanted to thank all the volunteers at the Christmas Event especially Santa and Elf. It was proposed to put an appeal out for helpers next year, e.g. Rugby Club. **RESOLVED and noted**	
4787.	**Project Group** **MUGA Lighting :** • Cllr S Thomas will liaise with Simon's Electrical regarding installation at Ynysmedu and Ystalyfera and request the invoice in 2 parts. The gates will need to be opened and Cllr R Davies will action this. **RESOLVED and noted** **Jerusalem Chapel Site** • Cllr A. Llewelyn confirmed that Mr Jones was aware of Cllr E W Williams commitments and that the meeting was going ahead a week tonight. He was looking forward to seeing what was available in Jerusalem. **RESOLVED** **Heritage Walk** • Session has been arranged for 18th January at YDT – room booked for 6.30 to 8.30 pm. Cllr E W Williams has informed the Council that the meeting next week is to share photos, information etc regarding the	Cllr S. Thomas Cllr R Davies Cllr E W Williams

	Heritage Walk/Project at the Trust only. And he will arrange a separate project group meeting to be held online in a few week's time for further planning. **RESOLVED** • Cllr R. Davies has received a response from NPTCBC as to the responsible person to open the school when needed. **Resolved noted.** **Planters** • Progress and ideas are needed for planters, it was decided late last year and missed spring. It was proposed to contact Swansea CC for help with supplying. **RESOLVED Cllr S Thomas happy to contact SCC/local companies and to report back at next meeting.** • Grass Cutting services will need review**. RESOLVED Clerk to add to next meetings agenda for review.** **Book-share box** • No further update at this meeting. **St Dwynwen / Burns Night Event** • Clerk reported to the meeting – The event has been advertised on FB and website with links to Eventbrite for tickets. MICNPT are going to advertise via their mailing list. Clerk has asked YDT for a grant towards the event. **RESOLVED** • Cllr C James gave an update on the preparations. The band is booked (£400.00) for the Twmpath, and a caller is being arranged, choir booked (£170). Haggis, Scottish and Welsh flags along with bunting ordered. **RESOLVED and Noted** • Tickets are available online and to buy at entry on the night. Cllr R Davies offered to help with ticket sales on the night. Sale of tickets will go towards part of the evenings cost along with any grant received. **RESOLVED and Noted** • Running order for the night to be arranged and some consumables to buy. **RESOLVED and Noted** • Invites to the local school was proposed to boost interest – Cllr J Jones and Cllr R Davies will action. **RESOLVED and noted** • Could Items for the Raffle be left at the YDT for Cllr C James to collect. Several Cllrs have items to donate for the Raffle. **RESOLVED and Noted**	Cllr R Davies Cllr S Thomas will liaise. Clerk Cllr C James Cllr J Jones and Cllr R Davies
4788.	**Finance** • Clerk to confirm Precept letter had been actioned with NPTCBC • Remuneration – Councillors were reminded to email the Clerk if they wish to claim the £52.00 expenses available for consumables. **RESOLVED and noted**	A. Hinder, NPTCBC.

Ref:	Type:	Payee:	Amount: £
192	DD	NPTCBC Hall Council Tax	£294.00
193	DD	Survey Monkey	£44.17
194	BACS	SSE - Godre'r Graig MUGA	£435.13
195	BACS	NPTCBC Penyrallt Park Lease	£200.00
196	BACS	SSE - Ystalyfera MUGA	£452.96
197	BACS	SSE - Community Hall	£469.01
198	BACS	Cooke & Arkwright Alltygrug Park Lease	£250.00
199	BACS	BT Broadband	£78.19
200	BACS	EON Gas	£679.80

	201 BACS KDY Electrics - Defibrillator |Installation £100.00 202 BACS D Crisp - Santa Tour First Aid £100.00 203 BACS Cllr G. Williams mileage reimbursement Santa Tour £20.25	
4789.	**Planning** • There were no planning applications received for this period. Resolved.	
4790.	**Community Hall** • Clerk confirmed the servicing of the boiler (Baxi) had been completed and certificated received. Engineer reported the following repairs: **New 15mm TRV and lockshield for radiatior** **New boiler isolation valve required** **New RF roomstat as faulty** **Materials £204.05 +VAT** **Labour £4462 +VAT** **Total £666.05 +VAT** All Councillors agreed to the repairs going ahead. **RESOLVED clerk to inform Westward**	Clerk
4791.	**Correspondence** • Email received from Air Ambulance Wales thanking the Council for their donation of £100.00. **RESOLVED and noted** • D Day 80 Beacon and Lamp Light of Peace – email received from Bruno Peek – Pageantmaster – ways to commemorate D-Day 80 on the 6th June 2024. **RESOLVED Clerk to pass on this information for future discussion.**	Clerk to email the details to all Cllr's
	The meeting ended at 7.51 pm. Chair thanked all for attending the meeting.	