CYNGOR CYMUNED YSTALYFERA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held online via Zoom on 16th December 2024 at 6:30pm

Present

Cllrs. Cathy James, Ann Jenkins, Emyr Wyn Williams, Ann Lewis

		ACTION
4884.	**Welcome, Declarations of Interest and late Apologies:** The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and started the meeting at 6:30pm. No apologies – all present. There were no declarations of interest. **Resolved.**	
4885.	**Budget 2025-26:** • Clerk read through spending up until September 2024 and went through probable overall spend for 2024-25. Members agreed with figures and explanations. **Resolved**. • Clerk explained 2025-26 suggested Budget. Members agreed with figures presented but suggested that £5,000 be taken off the Parks budget and added to Events budget instead. This was because new Christmas lights will be needed for Christmas 2025. There will therefore be a pot of £5,000 to spend on new lighting in the Events budget. Members agreed with all other figures presented and accepted the remainder of the budget. **Resolved** that Finance Committee propose to full Council that 2025-26 budget be accepted and approved.	Clerk to amend budget. Full Council to approve under Finance Committee recommendation.
4886.	**Community Hall Hire 2025-26:** • Options for Hall Hire increases were discussed. Members stated that they wouldn't want to put hirers off using the hall. Charges were not raised in 2024-25 therefore Members agreed to increase charges for 2025-26 as follows: - Community Groups £11 per hour - Commercial Hire £16.50 per hour **Resolved.** The Sewing Group currently give an annual donation to charity as thanks for using the hall. Tiddlywinks do not pay for their session at all. It was decided that a small amount towards the heating and electric would be charged from April 2025. - Sewing Group & Tiddlywinks £5 per session **Resolved.**	Clerk to liaise with groups. Clerk to liaise.
4887.	**Precept 2025-26** • Clerk went through precept options and cost to an average Band D Council Taxpayer. It was stated that most homes in NPTCBC are lower than a Band D – so most people will pay less than the figures shown in the example. Members agreed that Council provide a lot for the Community for what is a relatively small annual amount. • Budget was considered as well as reserves.	

	• Members felt the Clerk's recommendation was appropriate and **Resolved** that a Precept of £125,000.00 be recommended for approval by full Council.	Full Council to review and approve.
	Cllr C James wished everyone a Merry Christmas. The meeting ended at 7.30 pm.	