CYNGOR CYMUNED YSTALYFERA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Project Group Meeting held via Zoom on 30th January 2025 at 6:30pm

Present

Cllr. Emyr Wyn Williams (Chair)
Cllrs. Rosalyn Davies, Kim Hopkins, Dan Davey, Julie Jones, Geraint Williams, Alun Llewelyn, Steve Thomas, Rhian Llewelyn

Apologies

Name	**Reason**
Cllr. Ann Jenkins	Personal
Cllr. Hayley Morgan	Working
Cllr. Rachel Townsend	Working
Cllr. Ann Lewis	Personal
Cllr. Cathy James	Working

		ACTION
1.	**Welcome and late Apologies:** Chair welcomed all to the meeting. No late apologies. Resolved.	
2.	**Heritage Walk:** • Chair explained that there had been no update as yet. Clerk explained that she had sent all of the additional information that had been asked for, so the panel has everything they need in order to make a decision. Resolved noted.	Clerk to inform Members once an outcome is known.
3.	**Cenotaph:** • Cllr A Llewelyn reported that he had spoken to D Lewis, NPTCBC. The War Memorial Trust has funding available at the moment. The closing date is the end of February. The form is on the website. Clerk stated that she will do her best to submit a form in time. She will get 3 quotes asap. Resolved noted. • Cllr A Llewelyn stated that they had suggested brass as replacements, but this may be very expensive. Slate may be a cheaper alternative. Resolved noted. • Cllr S Thomas suggested registering with War Memorials Online as they have lots of information on grants etc. Resolved noted.	Clerk to complete form & get quotes. Clerk to register.
4.	**Parks:** **Parc Y Gnoll** • Clerk reported that she had met with Sovereign Play last week and had further quotes for park equipment. She explained that their representative had suggested that the safety surfacing was in excellent condition and that alternatives to a swing could be considered (as there are other swings in the park). Clerk shared the plans and options and read out quotes for the project at Parc Y Gnoll: - Parent and Toddler Swing, Dragon Play - £5,121.00 - Climbing Wall, Sovereign Play - £2,869.08	Clerk to liaise.

	Members thought that the Climbing Wall would be a good option as it would be an alternative, more challenging piece of equipment for older children. It was agreed that this be recommended to full Council in the next meeting. Resolved.	
	Carreg yr Afon	
	• Clerk reported that she had received 2 quotes for the Timber Trail at Carreg yr Afon Park: - Playspace Adventure Trail, Dragon Play - £14,752.00 - Timber Trail, Sovereign Play - £12,961.42 Members thought that the plans provided, and value-for-money provided by Sovereign Play were excellent and agreed to recommend this to full Council. Resolved.	Clerk to liaise.
	• Clerk reported that she has completed the National Lottery Community Fund form and will add the costings above before submitting the form. Resolved noted.	Clerk to add finance info and submit form.
	Parc Alltygrug	
	• Cllr R Llewelyn reported that the safety surfacing needs pressure washing asap. The signs also need washing down. Clerk will ask Handyperson to do this. Resolved noted.	Clerk to liaise with Handyperson.
	• Cllr A Llewelyn stated that there was overgrowth from bushes and trees at the park. Cllr J Jones reported that a branch is hanging over onto a neighbour's property on Tanywern. Clerk will ask Our Tree Company to look at this asap. Resolved noted.	Clerk to liaise with Our Tree Company.
	• It was suggested that some of the timber items may need wood treatment. Clerk will contact Dragon Play to ask for recommendations on suitable treatment and how often this is necessary. Resolved noted.	Clerk to liaise.
	General	
	• Cllr R Llewelyn stated that all of the parks need looking at to see what maintenance needs to be done. She suggested park visits. It was agreed that Cllrs D Davey and K Hopkins visit Parc Y Gnoll, Cllrs R & A Llewelyn visit Penyrallt and Alltygrug, Cllrs A Jenkins and A Lewis visit Farteg Park, Cllrs S Thomas and G Williams visit Carreg yr Afon Park and that a date be arranged for any Councillors interested to visit Godre'r Graig Country Park. Cllr S Thomas suggested that this be completed in the next 6 weeks. Resolved noted.	Cllrs to visit parks.
	• Cllr R Llewelyn stated that she will try to set up a Google document so that information can be added by Members after visiting parks. This can be added ad-hoc at any time throughout the year as well and can be monitored by Clerk. Members thought this was a great idea. Resolved noted.	Cllr R Llewelyn to set up Google doc.
	• Cllr S Thomas asked if the H&S reports for each park could be shared. Clerk confirmed she will arrange this asap. Resolved noted.	Clerk to forward.
	• Cllr S Thomas reported that Godre'r Graig AFC are re-starting. Members were very pleased with this news and invited them to apply for a grant. Resolved noted.	Cllr S Thomas to liaise with club.

5.	**Christmas 2025** • Clerk reported that she had booked Santa and his trike for 12 December 2025. Resolved noted. • Clerk reported that Centregreat will send a catalogue by the next Council meeting. A Gough stated that there could be an option of paying over 3 years if purchased via Centregreat. This may allow Council to order a complete set of decorations at one time instead of having to purchase a few each year. Members were happy to look at the options. Resolved noted. • Cllr J Jones reported that she has taken down the Christmas flags and washed them ready for December. Members thanked her for this. Chair stated that he will take down the flag at the Sgwâr, Godre'r Graig asap. Resolved noted. • Christmas trees were discussed. It was suggested that no tree was needed at Gurnos Chapel as there is already a tree outside the Swan. It was also suggested that no tree was needed at the Community Hall as the inside is decorated anyway. A tree will not be needed at the Sgwâr, Godre'r Graig this year as the planted tree is growing well and can be decorated. Resolved noted. • Chair stated that as the planted trees are growing, more lights may be needed. This to be looked at later in the year. Resolved noted. • Cllr R Davies reported that the tree lights and garlands at Cilmaengwyn have not been taken down. Clerk will liaise with A Gough regarding this. Resolved noted. • Cllr A Llewelyn asked if Lee would be able to deliver the Christmas trees earlier this year. Cllr G Williams explained that it was dependent on what he had in, but he will ask him if this would be possible. Resolved noted.	Clerk to liaise later in year. Members to look at in next Council meeting. Cllrs to look at later in year. Clerk to liaise. Cllr G Williams to liaise.
6.	**St David's Day 2025** • Chair reported that some new flags will be needed. He will check if Lee, Quids In, has some bunting left over. Clerk to order large flags. Resolved noted. • Clerk reported that she will ask Handyperson to install the new flags this year. Resolved noted.	Chair to visit Quids In. Clerk to order flags. Clerk to liaise.
7.	**Tennis Courts** • Cllr A Llewelyn reported that the Tennis Courts refurbishment is set to go ahead w/c 10th February 2025. Members were pleased with this news. He stated that he will share the plans with Council. Resolved noted.	Cllr A Llewelyn to forward plans.
	Chair thanked all for attending the meeting. The meeting ended at 8:10pm.	