

**YSTRAD FFLUR COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING,
WHICH WAS HELD ON THURSDAY 15/06/2017
AT THE PANTYFEDWEN HALL LIBRARY, AT 7.00PM**

1. CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME & PERSONAL MATTERS

Cllr. Clare Hughes welcomed everyone to the monthly meeting.

2. PRESENT: Councillor Clare Hughes (Chairperson); Cllr. Angharad Jones (Deputy-Chairperson); Cllr Laura Jones; Cllr Mair Jones; Cllr Non Jones; Cllr Wil Lewis; Cllr Gareth Owen, Cllr Doug Rowbotham & County Cllr Ifan Lloyd-Davies.

Members of the Public: Alun Price-Jones; Bill Messer.

Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) John Evans.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr John Jones apologised for his inability to attend the meeting.

4. POLICE MATTERS

4.1 A roll of lead had disappeared in the environs of Ffair Rhos.

4.2 It had been brought to the attention of the Community Council that drugs were associated with the Dolgoed Shelter. Arrangements were made for the person who had reported the problem, who wished to remain anonymous, to discuss the matter with the Police.

4.3 The speed of vehicles entering and leaving the Village was considered.

It was RESOLVED to contact Ceredigion CC to ask whether both entrances to the Village could be included within Ceredigion County Council's Speed Limit Review. (Ffair Rhos entrance has been undertaken)

5. DECLARATION OF INTEREST: *None Declared.*

6. CONFIRMATION OF THE MEETING OF THE 18TH MAY 2017

It was **PROPOSED** (Cllr Anghard Jones) **SECONDED** (Cllr Mair Jones) and **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting of the 18th May 2017 were a correct record. The Minutes were agreed and signed as a correct record by the Chair, Cllr Clare Hughes.

7. MATTERS ARISING

7.1 Local Election Result 2017

1. Result of Uncontested Election: Caron Uwch Clawdd Ward:

Notification from Miss Bronwen Morgan, Returning Officer CCC, stated that the following had been elected as Community Councillors without a contest: Clare Hughes; Angharad Jones; Mair Jones; Gareth Owen. (TOTAL=4) (ONE VACANCY). Advice received from Ceredigion County Council (CCC) stated that if there were not enough candidates to fill all the vacancies after an election, Section 21 of the Representation of the People Act 1985, allows the elected members, provided there is a quorum to co-opt members to fill the remaining vacancies. It was **RESOLVED** to display notices in the vicinity to invite expressions of interest to consider further at the next meeting. It was **RESOLVED** to display information within the Village's Facebook.

7.2 Mr Mervyn Botwood's and Ms Sonia Fletcher's objection concerning how the Minutes of the meetings of Ystrad Fflur Community Council are recorded: An objection was received from Mr Mervyn Botwood and Ms Sonia Fletcher, concerning how the Minutes of Ystrad Fflur Community Council, were recorded, during the monthly meeting of Thursday 18th May 2017. After careful deliberation the following action was **AGREED**:

- To forward the Minutes of Ystrad Fflur Community Council to One Voice Wales;
- To seek independent and impartial advice; &
- Feedback to the Community Council at the next meeting, which will be an Open Meeting.

The Chair had consulted One Voice Wales. A response was received from Dr Del Morgan, Development Officer One Voice Wales, which read:

The records are good and acceptable. The only matter, which could be changed is the sentence dealing with the previous meeting. I recommend changing "These were agreed to be a correct record " to "These were agreed and signed as a correct record", as it is necessary for the Chairperson to sign the agreed Minutes, there and then.

I attach the FAQ records in case there is no copy available, parts of which can be quoted in response to all, requiring information concerning the minutes. (Please refer to Appendix 1).

It was **PROPOSED** (Cllr Mair Jones); **SECONDED** (Cllr Angharad Jones) and **RESOLVED** to accept the One Voice Wales guidelines. Mr Mervyn Botwood and Ms Sonia Fletcher's concerns were noted.

7.3 **Broken Panes within the Bus-Shelter:** Replacing 2 panes. Cllr Clare Hughes stated that tape could be used to rectify the matter.

7.4 **Deteriorating Condition of the metal footbridge over the River Teifi at the rear of Dolau Bach and known as the "Green Bridge".** No further information was received as Mr Eifion Jones is currently on holiday. It was reported that rust posed a problem.
It was reported that rats were evident on the river bank. The path along the river bank was considered. It was **RESOLVED** to refer to the information received from the Land Registry earlier in the year in relation to the parcel of land known as Glan yr Afon and extending to the environs of Ystafell Wen/ Dolau Bach and Bronceiro.

7.5 **Request for: Pedestrian bridge adjacent to the historical bridge of Pontrhydfendigaid:**
Cllr Clare Hughes had organised a Petition to increase road safety in this vicinity and requested a pedestrian bridge adjacent to the historical bridge of Pontrhydfendigaid. The Petition, which included 200 names, had been forwarded to Ceredigion County Council. The County Council was asked to support the Proposal and to investigate suitable land for the development.
No response received from CCC.

7.6 **Pantyfedwen Play Area Inspection Rospa 2107:** it was ascertained that arrangements had been made for ROSPA to undertake a park inspection during the month of June for a fee of £66.50.

7.7 **Green Grant, Ceredigion CC:** It was reported that the Bottle Bank was often full to capacity and that bottles were then deposited close to the Bottle Bank. It was **RESOLVED** to find out whether a sign could be positioned in close proximity to the Bottle Bank under the auspices of the CCC's Green Grant discouraging people from this practice. CCC's Environmental Protection Officer could provide signs in relation to fly-tipping (as part of the grant) and was prepared to work with the Community Council to install them in the relevant locations. It was **RESOLVED** to contact CCC to try to arrange a site meeting with the relevant Officer to discuss further. Cllr Clare Hughes and Cllr Laura Jones to attend the Meeting.

7.8 **Dog-fouling within the Village.** Information in relation to a dog-fouling spray: not available during this meeting. Two bins were evident within the Village but it was felt that more bins were needed. **RESOLVED:** Cllr Clare Hughes to contact Ceredigion CC regarding "dog" bins.

7.9 **Annual Dinner: will take place on Friday 16th June at the Teifi Inn, Ffair Rhos and co-ordinated by Cllr John Jones.**

7.10 **Time-Table Holders within Bus-Shelters:** Communication from Shan Wiggs Ceredigion County Council stated that an Officer would visit the shelters, to find out which holders were required before putting in place. Bus timetables would be inserted within the holders.

7.11 **Grass cutting at Maesydderwen:** Cllr Angharad Jones enquired in relation to the cutting of grass within an area at the front of Maesydderwen Estate. *Tai Ceredigion* confirmed that Tai Ceredigion is not currently maintaining any grassed areas at Maesydderwen. Further information was required re the area in question; Tai Ceredigion would check again and if owned by Tai Ceredigion would be added to the grass cutting programme. It was reported that Ceredigion CC had only cut the area under their jurisdiction once during the season – to contact Mr John Hadlow for further information.

7.12 **Princess Sapieha Scholarship under the auspices of Ystrad Fflur Community Council:** It had been previously arranged for the Chair of Ystrad Fflur Community Council to present the award during the School's Prize Day (£10 or £10x2 should two pupils be awarded the prize). It was **RESOLVED** to find out more information concerning the Prize Day scheduled for Thursday 20th July 2017.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 **Flooding/Pooling of water at Cwrt y Wern:** Response received from the Landlord, Tai Ceredigion stating that it intends to carry out improvements to the car parking area at Cwrt y Wern and has applied for planning permission. The work is not included in this year's schedule although it is planned to be done as soon as possible after this year. It was resolved to ask Tai Ceredigion whether they could bring the task forward as people to include the house-bound were evicted from their homes due to the flooding

8.2 **Other Correspondence: For Information Only.**

9. FINANCE.

9.1 **Mrs Enid Hughes had undertaken the Internal Audit of the Community Council for the Fiscal Year 2016-17,** which was found to be satisfactory. Her comments were noted. The Chair Cllr Clare Hughes and Responsible Financial Officer Eleri Thomas signed the External Audit Form which will be forwarded to BDO Stoy Hayward.

9.2 **Clerk's Pay June 2017 £155.07. 9.3 HMRC June 2017 £38.76**

10. PLANNING

10.1 **Ceredigion County Council: Development Control Committee:** Agenda and Minutes of a recent Meeting.

10.2 **Ceredigion County Council: Planning Application: A170441: Proposal:** Extension to existing holiday cottage. Location; Cefnfaer, Pontrhydfendigaid. Applicants; Miss N Huws and Mr H Jones. Community Council's Observations: No Objections.

11. AOB

11.1 **Congratulations were extended to Garin Evans, Llys Meurig and Nia Rees Hafan** two past pupils of Ysgol y Bont on being awarded the positions of Head Boy and Head Girl, Ysgol Henri Richard Tregaron.

11.2 **Passes for the Strata Florida Abbey** and the previous situation, were discussed.

11.3 **Setting up a Website for the Village/ Community Council** was assigned further attention. It was **RESOLVED** to find out further information.

11.4 **Nominating a Village Award** to certain individuals in Pontrhydfendigaid was considered.

11.5 **Flash flooding proved a problem** opposite 8 Terrace Road: gravel and stones were evident. To report to CCC.

The meeting was adjourned at 9.15pm.

12. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday 20th JULY 2017 at 7pm.**

===== (Signed/Date)