

**YSTRAD FFLUR COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING,  
WHICH WAS HELD ON THURSDAY 15/03/2018  
AT THE YSGOL FEITHRIN ROOM,  
PANTYFEDWEN HALL,  
AT 7.00PM**

**1. CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME & PERSONAL MATTERS**

Cllr. Clare Hughes welcomed everyone to the monthly meeting. Members were sorry to see that the Pantyfedwen Hall had been the subject of damage, due to the recent inclement weather.

**2. PRESENT:** Councillor Clare Hughes (Chairperson); Cllr John Jones; Cllr Laura Jones; Cllr Mair Jones; Cllr Non Jones; Cllr Wil Lewis; Cllr Gareth Owen; Cllr Alun Price-Jones; Cllr Doug Rowbotham; County Cllr Ifan Lloyd-Davies.

**3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**Deputy-Chair Cllr Angharad Jones & Police Community Support Officer (PCSO)**  
John Evans apologised for their inability to attend the meeting.

**4. POLICE MATTERS**

It was reported that cars had been stolen and that drugs posed a problem in the environs of Terrace Road.

**5. DECLARATION OF INTEREST:** None Declared.

**6. CONFIRMATION OF THE MEETING OF THE 15<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2018**

It was **PROPOSED** (Cllr Mair Jones) **SECONDED** (Cllr Laura Jones) and **RESOLVED** unanimously that the Minutes of the Meeting of the 15<sup>th</sup> February 2018 were a correct and signed as correct record by the Chairperson Cllr Clare Hughes.

**7. MATTERS ARISING**

**7.1 Request for: Pedestrian bridge adjacent to the historical bridge of Pontrhydfendigaid:**

A site meeting had taken place on the 9<sup>th</sup> February 2018 between Mr Igho Emeseh, Ceredigion CC and representatives of the Community Council. A pedestrian bridge adjacent to the present bridge and the release of land for that purpose, were discussed. The owner of the property called Garfield had expressed concern in relation to the fact that no communication had been received from Ceredigion County Council re the proposed footbridge and the encroachment onto his property. It was **RESOLVED** to contact Ceredigion County Council to request an explanation.

**7.2 Request to install pavement adjacent to the Bus-Shelter at Penrhiw,**

**Ffair Rhos:** Chair Cllr Clare Hughes had also drawn Mr Igho Emeseh's, attention to the request to install a pavement adjacent to the Bus-Shelter at Penrhiw, during the site meeting appertaining to the main bridge of the Village of the 9<sup>th</sup> February 2018. The occupants of Penrhiw have agreed to donate a parcel of land for this purpose; it will be necessary to move a pole. *Futher developments are awaited.*

**7.3 Pantyfedwen Play Area Inspection Rospa 2017:** ROSPA undertook a park inspection during the month of June for a fee of £66.50. The Report was circulated. The Community Council is addressing the issues raised within the Report. It was reported that the roundabout spring was in need of attention. It was resolved to assign further attention to the situation during the Spring of 2018, when the mats would also be considered.

**7.4 Green Grant, Ceredigion CC:**  
Two signs prohibiting fly-tipping have been purchased, to be displayed in close proximity to the Bottle Bank. Cllr Clare Hughes will buy materials, which are required when putting the signs in place. Further information was received from Beverly Hodgett, Waste Performance, Projects and Engagement Manager, Ceredigion County Council re the Grant Funding of £500, which could be available. Litter pickers for children have been purchased and food-waste liners will be provided free of charge for residents. Invoices are to be submitted to Ceredigion County Council by the 31.03.2018. Arrangements were made regarding litter-picking within the Village.

**7.5 Creating a website for the Village**  
The Grant Thornton Audit of Ystrad Fflur Community Council for the Fiscal Year 2016-17 stated that it was a requirement on the Community Council to have a website in place in accordance with the Local Government (Democracy) (Wales) Act 2013. Cllr Laura Jones, the Administrator, reported that the website was now “live” [www.ccystradfflurcc.co.uk](http://www.ccystradfflurcc.co.uk); Cllr Jones was thanked for her efforts. The pros/cons of setting up a Facebook page for the Community Council, were considered; it was agreed to do so. Cllr John Jones was thanked for translating the English content within the website. Policies of the Community Council to include *Standing Orders* will be included within the Website, which will set clear guidelines on the public’s involvement within Community Council meetings.

**7.6 Dog Fouling:** the Community Council resolved to take a pro-active approach towards the ongoing issue of dog-fouling within the Village. Coloured sprays have been ordered and will be used.

**7.7 Annual Dinner:** Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2018 was set as the date to hold the dinner at the Red Lion, Pontrhydfendigaid, during the previous meeting. This date is unavailable. It was agreed to ask whether the 18<sup>th</sup> May 2018 was convenient.

**7.8 Parking Adjacent to the Pantyfedwen Hall:** communication from Mr Matthew Collins, Traffic Management & Strategy Assistant, Highways Dept, CCC on the 20.02.2018 read, “We are shortly to begin consultation on prohibition of waiting here as part of the next round of changes to parking restrictions across the County, as discussed with the local member Cllr Ifan Lloyd-Davies. The Community Council will be included in the consultation, and I can confirm that we are intending to propose a prohibition of waiting at this location”.

7.9 **Statue of Lady on the War Memorial:** information is sought.

7.10 **Plaque Diamond Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth 11:** arrangements were made to display a plaque adjacent to the Oak Tree

## 8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 **One Voice Wales (OVW) Understanding the Law:** Morlan, Morfa Mawr, Aberystwyth, Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2018. A brief description of the session: Statutory Duties and Powers; Ultra Vires; The Powers of Delegation; Welsh Language Act; The duty to promote Equal Opportunities; Data Protection Act and Freedom of Information Act; Sources of Advice. Cllr Laura Jones had made arrangements to attend a OVW Training Session and stated that she would prefer to pay for the associated costs.

8.2 **Mink Control Training Course:** Ystrad Meurig 6.30pm-10.00pm. 21.03.2018.

8.3 **Letter, guidance note and application form** in respect of Welsh Government (WG) support for the initial setting up of joint arrangements around three core themes of community engagement, increasing citizen participation and engagement in local democracy and clustering, which is available for 2018-19.

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

## 9. FINANCE.

9.1 **Princess Sapieha Scholarship under the auspices of Ystrad Fflur Community Council:** a separate account exists but no cheque book has been received; withdrawals are currently made from the main account. It was agreed to request a cheque-book.

9.2 **Clerk's Pay** February/ March 2018 £155.07 x 2.

9.3 **HMRC** February/ March 2018 £38.76 x2.

9.4 **WordPress: Setting up: ccystradfflurcc.org.uk:** £36; £21.80.

9.5 **Grass Cutting within the Village Over the Summer Months;** it was resolved to seek expressions of interest. The work will include:

1. Glan-yr-Afon – River Bank (3 cuts);
2. Entrance to the Village to include the Green and the area by the Church (from the Village Entrance sign/ Flower pot to the Cenotaph) x6;
3. Around the Pantyfedwen Hall x6;
4. Ysgol Feithrin Area x6;
5. Area of grass from Bridge Wall to 3 Pencreigiau in Maesydderwn 3 cuts. Quote per cut. Closing Date Thursday 15th March 2018 at 12 Noon.

### **Three quotes were received:**

1. Mr Dilwyn Benjamin: 4 cuts quoted, although 3 cuts asked for, Glan-yr-afon & from bridge wall to 3 Pencreigiau, Maesydderwen- £40= **£160**, (6 cuts entrance to the Village to include the Green and the area by the Church; Around Pantyfedwen Hall x6; 6 cuts Ysgol Feithrin area; Around Pantyfedwen Hall x6)- £150/cut= **£900** (from the Village Entrance sign/ Flower pot to the Cenotaph) £15 x 6= **£90** **Total - £1,150**
2. J G Jones, Bryn Villa; Ystrad Meurig : Glan-yr-Afon £50 x3; Entrance £100 x6; Pantyfedwen £50 x6; Ysgol Feithrin £50 x6; Pencreigiau £50x3; TOTAL £300/cut. **Total £1,500**
3. Samsaws: £340 per cut.

It was PROPOSED, SECONDED AND UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to accept Mr Dilwyn Benjamin's offer of £1,150.

**9.6 FINANCIAL REQUESTS 2017-18**

Cruse – Bereavement Care; Ysgol Fethrin, Pontrhydfendigaid; Tenovus –Cancer Care; Young Farmers' Clubs; Samaritans; Marie Curie – Care and support through terminal illness; Citizens' Advice Ceredigion; National Eisteddfod Cardiff 2018; Theatr Felinfach; Barcud – Papur Bro Tregaron; Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod 2018; National Eisteddfod Urdd Gobaith Cymru 2018; Shelter Cymru. **After careful deliberation it was resolved to make the following contributions: Theatr Felinfach £50; Ysgol Feithrin y Bont £50; Young Farmers' Club £50; Papur Bro'r Barcud £50.**

**10. PLANNING**

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

**10.2 Planning Consultation: A180144.** Proposal: Siting of 2 shepherds' huts and associated works. Applicant: D. Jones. Location: Dolbeudiau, Ystrad Meurig, Pontrhydfendigaid, SY25 6EJ. Observations of the Community Council: No Objections.

**11. AOB**

**11.1 Potholes remain on Mill Street:** to remind Ceredigion CC.

**11.2 It was reported that** timber lorries were parked on the Green.

**11.3 County Cllr Ifan Lloyd-Davies;** Cllr Gareth Owen and Cllr Doug Rowbotham were thanked for assisting residents, during the recent inclement weather, to clear the snow from their properties.

**11.4 Cllr Laura Jones drew members' attention to plastic reduction** initiatives in Ceredigion and proposed that the Village should endeavour to become "plastic-free" by reducing single-use plastics within businesses/ school/ community and use sustainable alternatives as well as to support litter-collections and other events, which aim to raise awareness of the issues of single-use plastics. Ceredigion CC in its meeting of the 22.02.2018 unanimously supported a motion to reduce the use of plastic and to support plastic reduction initiatives in Ceredigion. A Steering Group could be set up to oversee this initiative.

**11.5 Fence in the environs of 8 Cwrt y Wern** – fence falling, nail protruding: to report to Tai Ceredigion.

***The meeting was adjourned at 8.45pm.***

**12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at 7pm.**

===== (Signed/Date)