

YSTRAD FFLUR COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING
THURSDAY 16/09/2021 AT 7.00pm at the Pantyfedwen Hall, Pontrhydfendigaid

1. CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME & PERSONAL MATTERS

Chairperson Cllr. Gareth Owen welcomed everyone to the monthly meeting at the Pantyfedwen Hall, whilst observing Welsh Government Covid-19 Regulations.

A minute's silence was observed in memory of Mrs Iris Davies, the mother of County Cllr Ifan Lloyd-Davies and Mr John Byron Thomas, the father of the Clerk, Eleri Thomas, who had, sadly, passed away, in recent months.

2. PRESENT: Cllr Mair Jones; Cllr Non Jones; County Cllr Ifan Lloyd-Davies; Cllr Gareth Owen, Cllr Doug Rowbotham, Eleri Thomas (Clerk) & Police Community Support Officer John Evans.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr Clare Hughes; Cllr Alun Price Jones; Cllr Angharad Jones (Deputy-Chairperson) & Cllr John Jones, apologised for their inability to attend the meeting.

4. POLICE MATTERS

Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) John Evans reported that the summer months had been quiet and that there were no incidents to report since the July meeting. It was stated that certain areas within the locality had been busy e.g. New Quay.

5. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

5.1 Cllr Non Jones declared a personal interest when the Planning Application A210632 was considered.

6. CONFIRMATION OF THE MEETING OF THE 15th of JULY 2021

It was **PROPOSED (Cllr Gareth Owen)**, that the Minutes of the Meeting of the 15TH of July, were correct, apart from the amendment re

"Minute 11.3 The plastering of the Pantyfedwen Hall was considered." Minute 11.3 to be deleted.

A seconder could not be found, as all other Cllrs, who were present had not attended the 15/07/2021 meeting. It was agreed to postpone the matter, until the October monthly meeting.

7. MATTERS ARISING

7.1 Grant Funding for the Pantyfedwen Park: Cllr Clare Hughes is sourcing grants.

7.2 Rospa Annual Inspection of Pantyfedwen Play Area: Had taken place in June 2021. Cllr Clare Hughes and Chair Cllr Gareth Owen had addressed many of the issues raised.

7.3 Former St David's Church Building: It was thought that the building had been sold for £105,000. Responsibility for the area of grass, outside the former St Mary's Church and adjacent to the Bus Stop, which the Community Council had cut over the summer months for many years, came under discussion. Further information will be sought.

7.4 Oil Tank Glanyrafon: a lorry will be required to move the tank.

7.5 Repair of Notice Board at Ffair Rhos: Cllr Gareth Owen will attend to the matter.

7.6 Grass cutting within the Village: it was reported that three parties undertook grass cutting within the Village over the summer months viz Ceredigion County Council,

Barcud, formerly Tai Ceredigion and the Community Council and at times, it was uncertain who was responsible for the cutting of certain areas.

7.7 Remembrance Sunday Service 2021: to discuss at the October 2021 Meeting.

7.8 Ceredigion County Council had been reminded of the request for a footbridge adjacent to the main bridge of the Village. *No response to report at this meeting.*

8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Hywel Dda Community Health Council Newsletter September 2021: Local NHS Watchdog providing patients with a voice in Carmarthenshire, Ceredigion and Pembrokeshire.

Link to newsletter : [Briefings/Newsletters - Hywel Dda Community Health Council \(nhs.wales\)](https://www.nhs.uk/newsletters/hywel-dda-community-health-council/)

Link to current surveys : <https://hywelddachc.nhs.wales/get-involved/live-surveys/>

Link to Hywel Dda CHC Reports / Every mind matters :

<https://hywelddachc.nhs.wales/what-we-have-to-say/report-library/>

It was agreed to post onto the Community Council's Facebook page.

8.2 Ben Lake MP: Community Bank Accounts and Services: Survey; it was resolved to complete the survey.

8.3 Ceredigion County Council: Assessment of Local Well-being Engagement Activity – Mid Ceredigion: 20th September at 2pm. Virtual Meeting. For information.

8.4 Consultation on local taxes for second homes and self-catering accommodation: A copy of the consultation documents and the response form can be found at: <https://gov.wales/local-taxes-second-homes-and-self-catering-accommodation>. Comments to be submitted by the 17th of November 2021. Ways to respond: Complete the online form; E-mail: LGFR.Consultations@gov.wales.

Post: Local Government Finance, Reform Division, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ.

8.5 Access and Recreation - Cambrian Mountains Initiative 2021

The Cambrian Mountains Initiative have engaged consultants to help consider how best to make the most of the rights of way network and to attract more people to the area for walking cycling and horse riding. Cambrian Mountains Initiative is looking at how it can join up existing routes and recreational opportunities with the aim of developing an action plan that could form the basis of a future funding bid. As part of this work, the Cambrian Mountains Initiative will consider the advantages to the area of new local community routes, which benefit local people as well as visitors.

The online survey can be accessed by clicking this link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/MynyddoeddCambrianMountains>

Deadline for completing the survey Friday 17th September.

Cllrs to respond individually if desired.

8.6 All other correspondence: noted for information.

9. FINANCE

9.1 **Audit of Accounts 2021: Information re Statutory External Audit.** Annual Return was certified by the Responsible Financial Officer and approved by the Council during the June meeting and forwarded to Audit Wales. The financial position of the Community Council @ 31.03.2021 can be viewed on the website [Blwyddyn Ariannol – Fiscal Year 2019-2020; 2020-21 | Cyngor Cymuned – Ystrad Fflur – Community Council \(ccystradfflurcc.org.uk\)](http://Blwyddyn Ariannol – Fiscal Year 2019-2020; 2020-21 | Cyngor Cymuned – Ystrad Fflur – Community Council (ccystradfflurcc.org.uk))

The Internal Audit for the Fiscal Year 2020-21 had been completed by Mrs Enid Hughes and found to be satisfactory for a fee of £100

- 9.2 **Distribution of leaflets re the former St Mary's Church £100:** Aled Dark and James Walton
- 9.3 **Grass Cutting:** D Benjamin: £1,872 (inc VAT)
- 9.4 **Clerk's Salary July; August 2021** £193.83 x 2
- 9.5 **Clerk's Office Costs £51.76** (inc VAT)
- 9.6 **Ffair Y Ganolfan Fair:** will not take place this year.

10. PLANNING

- 10.1 **Planning Application: A210632 Applicant:** M J Jones
Location: adjacent to Tŷ Morfa, Pontrhydfendigaid, Ystrad Meurig, SY25 6EJ.
Proposal: Building of dwelling and associated works.
Community Council's Observations: No Objections.
- 10.2 **Planning Application: A210632 Applicant:** Mr James Cowie, Strata Florida Community Liaison Group.
Location: Great Abbey Farm, Pontrhydfendigaid, Ystrad Meurig, SY25 6ES.
Proposal: Building a sculpture known as the Pilgrim as a permanent feature, to replace a similar but temporary structure, which has deteriorated and collapsed.
This Application was accepted by Ceredigion County Council, over the summer months. Mr Cowie thanked the Community Council for its support in the past by meeting the cost of the Local Authority Planning Application.
- 10.3 **Planning Application: A210780. Applicant:** Olly and Alex Walker
Location: Berthgoed, Pontrhydfendigaid, Ystrad Meurig
Community Council's Observations: No Objections.
- 10.4 **County Cllr Ifan Lloyd Davies reported that urgent action was needed by Dŵr Cymru and Natural Resources Wales to overcome River Teifi phosphate issues impacting on development and the economy.** County councillors have been asked to give final approval to allow delegated power to determine planning applications that do not comply with the phosphate directive received after 1 June.
- 10.5 **It was reported that a house/ruin in the environs of Ffair Rhos was in the process of renovation without planning permission.**

11. AOB

- 11.1 **Christmas trees for the Village:** Chair Cllr Gareth Owen will contact the Forestry Commission.

The meeting was adjourned at 8.30pm.

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 21st October 2021 @ 7pm at Pantyfedwen Hall.

===== (Signed/Date)