

**YSTRAD FFLUR COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING  
WHICH WAS HELD ON THURSDAY 17.02.2022 AT 7PM  
AT THE PANTYFEDWEN HALL LIBRARY  
PONTRHYDFENDIGAI.**

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

Chairperson, Cllr Gareth Owen welcomed all present to the monthly meeting, which was held at the Pantyfedwen Hall Library, by adhering to Welsh Government Covid 19 Regulations.

A minute's silence was observed in memory of former Community Cllr, Mr Selwyn Jones, who, sadly, had passed away on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2022. It was **AGREED** to forward a bouquet of flowers to his wife, Mrs Neli Jones, as a mark of condolence

**2. PRESENT**

**Ystrad Fflur Community Council**

Cllr Clare Hughes; Angharad Jones (Vice-Chairperson); Cllr John Jones; Cllr Mair Jones; Cllr Non Jones; Cllr Gareth Owen, Cllr Alun Price-Jones & Eleri Thomas (Clerk).

**Cambrian Mountains Society**

Mrs Dwynwen Belsey: Trustee

Mr Chris Belsey

Lorna Brazell: Trustee

- 3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Police Community Support Officer John Evans, County Cllr Ifan Lloyd-Davies and Cllr Doug Rowbotham apologised for their inability to attend the meeting.

**4. PRESENTATION**

**A Presentation was received from Mrs Dwynwen Belsey**, a Trustee of Cambrian Mountains Society, assisted by Lorna Brazell and Mr Chris Belsey.

Cambrian Mountains Society seeks designation of the Cambrian Mountains as an *Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty* ("AONB").

Designation of an area can bring with it real opportunities for local communities such as Ystrad Fflur, in terms of greater recognition and economic development. But it can also raise challenges, including an increasing number of visitors and changing expectations as to how the area will be presented and managed. Input from all the communities surrounding the uplands was sought.

Further information can be found by following the links:

<file:///C:/Users/test/OneDrive/Email%20attachments/CMC%20Presentation.pdf>

[CMS Proposal for Designation of the Cambrian Mountains\(3\).pdf](#)

Members of the Community Council supported the initiative and a letter of support would be forwarded in the future.

Dwynwen was thanked for her interesting PowerPoint Presentation.

- 5. POLICE MATTERS:** Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) John Evans updated members on recent events, stating that the last season had been quiet:

- Antisocial behaviour / Harassment: zero
- Burglary: zero

- Criminal Damage: zero
- Theft: one
- Violence/ Assault: zero

6.. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST:** None declared.

7. **CONFIRMATION OF THE MEETINGS OF THE 20<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

It was **PROPOSED (Cllr Non Jones), Seconded (Cllr Clare Hughes) and RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting of the 20<sup>th</sup> of January 2022 were correct apart from the following amendment:

**Minute 7.7** Pantyfedwen Hall's Post Code should read SY25 6BB.

They were signed by the Chairperson.

8. **MATTERS ARISING**

**8.1 Trimming of trees to the rear of the Maesydderwen Estate:** Natural Resources Wales had conveyed that this body was not responsible for the trimming of these trees and advised the Community Council to contact Ceredigion County Council. The area of land under review was classed as common land. Cllr Gareth Owen and Cllr Non Jones had assessed the situation. Branches need to be trimmed in the future.

**8.2 Grant Funding:** Fence for Park (between park and football pitch – height 1m): Cllr Clare Hughes had assigned attention to the matter. It was agreed to contact the Football Club to find out who was responsible for the fence and whether it needed to be in place. Proposed by Cllr Angharad Jones and Seconded by Cllr Alun Price Jones.

**8.3 Repair of Notice Board at Ffair Rhos:** Cllr Gareth Owen had executed the task.

**8.4 The Queen's Platinum Jubilee – National Lottery Awards for All: OV Wales**

National Lottery funding is available to mark Her Majesty the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in 2022. The Queen's Platinum Jubilee National Lottery Awards for All is accepting applications for projects costing less than £10,000 for communities developing projects to join in with the celebrations. Projects should meet the standard aims and eligibility criteria set of the grant programme. Whilst not essential, the strongest projects will also meet three focus areas: promote relationships across generations; develop the skills and experience of communities; encourage the care of/action in the natural world as part of the celebrations. One off events on the day of the Jubilee, which meet these criteria will be accepted. The strongest applications will demonstrate a lasting impact beyond the event itself. It is likely that the Lottery will receive more applications than it is able to fund.

[National Lottery Awards for All Wales | The National Lottery Community Fund \(tnlcommunityfund.org.uk\)](https://www.nationalcommunityfund.org.uk) for information.

It was **agreed** to arrange an open meeting for Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022 @ 6.30pm at the Pantyfedwen Hall Library to discuss the way forward with a view of setting up a committee. To place notices in the Shop, Cambrian News, Y Barcud, Facebook and Website & to inform the school.

9 **CORRESPONDENCE**

**9.1 Communication from Lowri Jones Bro 360 Co-ordinator.** Through the Bro360 pilot project, Cwmni Golwg has supported the communities of the Tregaron area over the past 3 years to create the community hyperlocal website Caron360. Despite the pandemic, Caron360 has gone from strength to strength since first going live in May2020, with 142 stories published by over fifty local people. Through the

website's content, projects such as Gŵyl Bro and creative training sessions, Bro360 is delivering on its core aim of promoting and enhancing communities. Its success is attributed to the local element of every one of the hyperlocal websites, which are entirely in the hands of volunteers.

Bro360's intention is to work with new areas, starting with the communities of south Ceredigion, as well continuing to provide support to all eight existing websites. At the same time, there are plans to develop commercial income from businesses, both locally and regionally.

However, the pilot project funding ends in 2022.

An application for a Lottery grant is under way, which would secure a share of the funding needed to develop, but local input would be needed also to maintain the support for existing websites.

It was enquired whether the Community Council could provide financial support for the forthcoming fiscal year. It was **agreed** to leave the matter in abeyance until the next meeting.

Ystrad Fflur Community Council was also asked whether it would be prepared to contribute articles regarding developments, successes or meetings of the community council on Caron 360. It would help more people to know what was taking place at the most local level of democracy. Two delegates of the community council were invited to attend the Bro360 webinar, to be hosted by Bro360 on Zoom in March 2022.

**9.2 Play for Wales: Play Wales Issue 58;** to forward a link onto the Community Council's website and Facebook.

**9.3 The Local Government and Finance Minister made an Order October 2021** regarding the changes to Electoral Wards in Ceredigion. These will come into effect from 5<sup>th</sup> May 2022 i.e. the County Council elections will be contested on the new Wards.

The changes are summarised as follows:

- A reduction of Councillors from 42 to 38;
- A reduction of electoral wards from 40 to 34;
- There are 18 changes to electoral wards in all;
- There will be 4 multi-member electoral wards.

A full list of the Wards and the number of councillors per Ward are available at [Local Government Elections 2022 - - Ceredigion County Council](#) (under County Council Elections).

In addition, the new Electoral Wards have been published on an interactive map, which is available at [Maps of local areas in - Ceredigion County Council](#)

**There are no changes to Town and Community Councils.**

**9.4 Welsh Water: Pre-Consultation for Dŵr Cymru Welsh Water's draft Water Resources Management Plan 2024:** Every five years the Water Resources Management Plan (WRMP) is developed, which sets out how Welsh Water will manage water resources across the supply area to meet current and future needs, over the next 25 years. Welsh Water is currently developing the next Plan (WRMP24) for the period 2025 – 2050 and launching this pre-consultation to provide an opportunity for stakeholders to give their views on how to develop the Plan and the priority areas that it should seek to address.

The pre-consultation will run until the 21<sup>st</sup> March 2022, comments to be submitted to [Water.Resources@dwrcymru.com](mailto:Water.Resources@dwrcymru.com)

**9.5 All other correspondence: noted for information.**

Cllr Mair Jones, who did not have an on-line presence, wished that correspondence received electronically during the month and forwarded to Cllrs via email, could be discussed at the monthly meetings.

The most relevant items of correspondence were recorded within the Minutes.

## 10. FINANCE

**10.1 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))

***Audit Wales reported that there was a delay in the processing of the External Audit, 2020-2021.***

**10.2 Clerk's Salary:** Jan 2022 £193.83

**10.3 Alcohol Hand Gel:** £35.82; vat £7.16; TOTAL: £42.98

**10.4 Batteries for defibrillators:** £35.16 VAT £7.04 TOTAL £42.20

**10.5 Flowers: late Mr Selwyn Jones:** £35

**10.6 It was noted that £100 had not been spent on Chairperson's expenses for the Financial Year 2021-22.** £100 was the cost of delivering questionnaires re the former St Mary's Church but had inadvertently been recorded under "Chairperson's Expenses".

## 11. PLANNING

**No Planning Matters.**

## 12. AOB

**12.1 Gwenllian Beynon asked** whether a donation could be made to refresh the mural within the Village. It was agreed to consider at the next meeting.

**12.2 Old Post Office, Pontrhydfendigaid:** Cllr Hughes reported that the roof tiles could pose a hazard. Also "Tŷ Gwyn, Llangybi". **To inform Ceredigion County Council.**

**12.3 Dog faeces was evident at different locations of the Village** and especially in the environs of Dolau Bach. A spray had been used in previous years to address the problem.

**12.4 Lôn Fach:** A hedge had been trimmed, which had resulted in an obstruction of the lane. Too much water was evident on its surface. Lane and drains required cleaning. **To inform Ceredigion CC.**

**12.5 Remembrance Sunday Service, Pontrhydfendigaid, 2023:** a road closure licence could be requested from Ceredigion CC during key times of the Service.

**12.6 Traffic/parking problems** adjacent to the entrance of the Black Lion and in the environs of the Red Lion, were discussed. **To place on next month's agenda.**

**12.7 Junction B4343 and B4340:** surface of road is "raising"; pot-hole evident in close proximity to Llysteg. **To inform Ceredigion CC.**

**12.8 It was agreed to ask Ceredigion CC** what percentage of the year a holiday let was permitted to remain open.

**12.9 Trees needed to be trimmed in close proximity to Tyllyn, Ffair Rhos.** To report to Ceredigion CC.

**The meeting was adjourned at 8.50pm.**

**13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING/S: Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at 6.30pm, Open "Queen's Platinum Jubilee" Meeting @ 6.30pm. Monthly Meeting @ 7pm. Both meetings to be held at the Pantyfedwen Hall Library by adhering to Welsh Government Covid 19 Regulations.**

===== (Signed/Date)