

**YSTRAD FFLUR COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING
20.10.2022 @7.00pm
PANTYFEDWEN HALL LIBRARY, PONTRHYDFENDIGAID**

1. CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME AND PERSONAL MATTERS

Chairperson Cllr Angharad Jones welcomed all present to the meeting.

2. PRESENT

Cllr Roland Bago (RB); Cllr Ieuan Davies (ID); Cllr. Alun Price Jones (APJ); Cllr Angharad Jones (AJ); Cllr Non Jones (NJ); Cllr Richard Jones (RJ); Cllr Mel Briant (MB); Cllr Gareth Owen (GO); Cllr Elgan Williams (EW); County Cllr Ifan Lloyd Davies(ID) & Eleri Thomas (ET) (Clerk).

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Doug Rowbotham and PCSO John Evans apologised for their inability to attend the meeting.

4. POLICE MATTERS

Police Community Support Officer John Evans updated members regarding recent events within the locality.

- Antisocial behaviour: 0
- Burglary : 0
- Criminal Damage : 0
- Theft : 0
- Violence/ Assault : 0
- Fraud/ Scam calls: No new trends.

5. DECLARATION OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTEREST

None declared.

6. CONFIRMATION OF THE MEETING OF THE 22nd of SEPTEMBER 2022

It was **PROPOSED** (Cllr Richard Jones), **SECONDED** (Cllr Elgan Williams) and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the 22ND of September 2022, were correct. They were signed by the Chairperson.

7. MATTERS ARISING

7.1 Remembrance Sunday 13.11.2022:

GO to ask John Jenkins whether he is prepared to undertake the role of bugler, once again, this year.

GO to order wreath.

To ask Mr Charles Arch whether he is prepared to lay the wreath.

Reading of the Word in Welsh: Former Cllr and Marshal John Jones.

Reading of the Word in English: Chairman of Ceredigion CC Ifan Davies & laying of wreath on behalf of Ceredigion CC.

Prayers: Rev. Aled Lewis and Rev Elizabeth

Reading the names of the Fallen: RJ & NJ

Exhortation: DR & GO

Inform the Public: Clerk; ID
Sunday School Pupils to participate c/o Mrs Neli Jones

7.2 **ROSPA Inspection of Pantyfedwen Play Area 2022:** Cllr Gareth Owen and others will undertake improvements within the park during the weekend 22-23 October 2022. Also to display the *Pentir Pumplumon* sign in the vicinity.

7.3 **Defibrillators within the Village:** Communication from Pauline Bett, Community First Responder WAST reported that she had contacted Clare (Hughes) and Ceredig (Bont Village Shop) who were happy to assume the role of Guardianship of the Village Defibrillators at the Pantyfedwen Village Hall and Village Shop respectively. It had been agreed to purchase a defibrillator for Ffair Rhos, in a previous meeting. The two landladies of Teifi Inn had granted permission to position the defibrillator adjacent to the Teifi Inn.
The Clerk had ordered:
Calan Hearts Defibrillator:
Mindray C1A Defibrillator, £1045.00 however taking into account their £200 donation, the required minimum donation for the Defibrillator alone was currently £895.00 + £8 P&P. A cheque had been forwarded.

Communication from Gwenllian Beynon (GB) on behalf of Bont Christmas Market regarding the Defibrillator, which was purchased for Strata Florida several years ago. (Bont Christmas Market aimed to donate proceeds from the Market to charities and at the time, pre COVID, a Defibrillator at Strata Florida was deemed a priority to the organisers of the Market); to date, the Defibrillator has not been set up and has been stored at Strata Florida's small shop for almost 3 years.
The organisers had contacted Cadw, the situation at Ystrad Fflur's small shop had now changed. 2 options arose::
1. That the defibrillator was returned to the keeping of Bont Christmas Market;
2. Cadw installed the defibrillator but did not undertake maintenance (this option was yet to be discussed with the relevant parties).
GB sought the Community Council's advice. As Bont Christmas Market was not a registered Organisation, problems could arise if the defibrillator was returned to their care.
It was asked whether the Community Council could discuss the situation and possibly assume responsibility for the defibrillator. The availability of a defibrillator at Ystrad Fflur was paramount as many people visited this site.
It was noted that the defibrillator had been purchased without the box. CADW was prepared to donate a box.

It was agreed to take responsibility for the defibrillator. Cllr Ifan Davies will liaise with Ystrad Fflur to establish the way forward.
Cllr Ieuan Davies reported that the NHS provided free defibrillator training. It was agreed to investigate further and to offer the public an opportunity to attend the training sessions.

7.4 **Flooding of River Teifi in the environs of the Red Lion:** It was agreed to arrange a site meeting for Friday 11th November 2022 at 11am with a Natural Resources Wales' (NRW) representative. Cllrs Ifan Lloyd Davies, Roland Bago and Richard Jones to attend.

7.5 **Glan-yr-Afon: Japanese Knotweed** posed a problem in this area. It was agreed to find out whether grant funding would cover the cost of treating the Japanese

Knotweed. (**Welsh Government and National Lottery Heritage Fund - Local Places for Nature grant scheme** will once again be open for applications from Thursday 9 June 2022. £920k available to allocate until March 2023. Visit www.heritagefund.org.uk/funding for further details - rcarter@onevoicewales.wales)

Nature Networks Fund (round 2) / National Lottery Heritage Fund
It was agreed for a delegation of the Community Council to meet to discuss grant funding for certain projects.

7.6 **One Voice Wales: Meeting: Oct 2022.** Minutes attached.

7.7 **Public Conveniences:** a previous communication from Mrs Mair Jones asked if Public Conveniences could be installed in the Village. It would be explained that a £500 Ceredigion County Council grant had once been available. It was agreed to investigate further and approach the Red Lion and Chapel to find out whether they would be interested in providing this facility, should the grant be available. *Awaiting a reply.*

7.8 **Trimming of Trees on the Maesydderwen Estate:** It was reported that some trees were the responsibility of Ceredigion County Council whilst others were the responsibility of Barcud.
Adjacent to Nos 6 & 7: Ceredigion CC; No 17- 10 Oak Street: Ceredigion CC.
Adjacent to No 9: Barcud; 19/20 Barcud
To find out who is responsible for tree adjacent to 22/23

7.9 **Hall Committee:** asked for the date for the lighting of the Christmas Tree/s. The Christmas Tree Committee to organise a meeting for the following week.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Proposed changes to speed limits

Ceredigion County Council proposed multiple changes to speed limits within Ceredigion as part of the change to the National speed limit introduced by the Welsh Government in 2023, to drop existing 30mph limits to 20mph though some roads will meet criteria to remain what are known as exceptional 30mph limits. Existing 40mph and 50mph limits are therefore outside the scope of this scheme.

Since no roads on the county network have restricted road status, all changes must be introduced via a Traffic Regulation Order made by the Council. Speed limits on the A44 and A487 trunk roads are the responsibility of the Welsh Government and are thus not included. However, where appropriate, the county road proposals have been developed in liaison with Trunk Road Officers to co-ordinate with what has been informed will be new speed limit arrangements on these trunk roads.

Written comments on these proposals to be submitted by 10/11/2022. If no comments are received it will be assumed that there are no objections to any part of what is being proposed in the Community Council's ward.

8.2 | **Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Draft Annual Report – February 2023:** in accordance with the requirements of Section 147 of the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 enclosed:

- The Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales draft Annual Report February 2023.
- Draft Annual Report - consultation questions

This has also been sent to the Minister for Finance and Local Government and other interested parties.

The report can be accessed via the following link:

[Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Draft Annual Report - February 2023](#)

8.3 **It was agreed following a recent meeting of the Ethics and Standards Committee that the report upon The Public Services Ombudsman Code of Conduct Findings was circulated to all Clerks of Town and Community Council, for information.**

8.4 **JOINT ONE VOICE WALES/SLCC EVENT – Wednesday 9 NOVEMBER 2022 – PLACES STILL REMAINING**

One Voice Wales and the Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC) are arranging a remote joint event to be held on 9 November 2022.

Bookings will need to be made by accessing the following web-link:

<https://www.slcc.co.uk/event/ovw/>

This event is an especially important one for councils given that it focuses on key topic areas such as climate change, digitally levelling up your Council, biodiversity and the Section 6 duty, the new finance and governance toolkit, place planning and the importance of training and development. You should note that we will be welcoming Julie James MS to the event who is the Minister for Climate Change. The importance of these matters cannot be over-stated and the event presents a vital opportunity for councils to be at the forefront of current issues and opportunities now available to our sector.

The cost of the event £45 plus VAT.

8.5 **Criminals use Welsh to try and scam you as well.**

- People think that criminals only use English to try to scam people.
- Dyfed Powys Police have had reports of emails in Welsh as well as phone calls in Welsh from criminals trying to scam them out of money or get them to pay for services.
- **Always remember:**
 - The police, or your bank, will never ask you to withdraw money or transfer it to a different account.
 - The police, or your bank, will never ask you to reveal your full banking password or PIN.
 - Do not click on links or attachments in unexpected or suspicious texts or emails.
 - If you get a pop-up on your computer stating you need to contact Microsoft – turn the machine off, wait a few minutes and then turn it on again, that will normally stop the pop-ups.
 - Report suspicious emails to: report@phishing.gov.uk

- You can also report suspicious texts by forwarding the original message to 7726 (which spells SPAM on your keypad).

8.6 **Invitation to attend a celebration at Strata Florida on Saturday 29th October 2022** to mark the completion of the sculpture known as the Pilgrim. Created by sculptor Glenn Morris and funded jointly by community crowdfunding and a generous donation from the World Monuments Fund, the Pilgrim is once again an iconic part of the Strata Florida landscape. The event is being held jointly by members of the Community Liaison Group and the Strata Florida Trust. Community Cllrs were expected to attend.

8.7 **Letter from Ben Lake MP offering advice in relation to the Cost-of-Living Crisis.** Cllr Ieuan Davies to post the information onto the Community Council's Website.

8.8 **Other Correspondence: for information only.**

9. FINANCE

9.1 **Receipt;** Precept in part, Ceredigion County Council: £2,404.33D
 9.2 **Daffodils for Village:** c/o Cllr Alun Price Jones £29.98
 9.3 **Hosting of the Community Council's Website:** £36.00

9.4 **Signing of Cheques:** Authorised signatories at present 2/3 Clare Hughes, Non Jones, Doug Rowbotham. Authorised signatories only will be entitled to make any changes to the Barclays Bank Account e.g. add new signatories, transition to online banking.

9.5 **Clerk's Salary:** Sept 2022 £193.83.

9.6 **Clerk's expenses:** stationery etc £43.57

10. PLANNING No Planning matters to discuss.

11. AOB

11.1 **It was agreed to remove the Village's bunting, signs (ask School), flagpoles in the near future.**
 11.2 **Cllr Richard Jones reported that Bont Football Club would be hosting a fund-raising activity on Saturday 12th November 2022.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8.30pm.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monthly Meeting Thursday 17th November 2022 at 7pm.

===== (Signed/Date)