

**YSTRAD FFLUR COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING
15.02.2024 @7pm
PANTYFEDWEN HALL LIBRARY, PONTRHYDFENDIGAID**

1. CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME AND PERSONAL MATTERS

The Deputy-Chair Cllr Elgan Williams welcomed all to the meeting.

2. PRESENT

Community Cllrs:

Mel Briant
Ieuan Davies
Gareth Wyn Edwards
Alun Price Jones
Richard Jones
Elgan Williams (Chair)
Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) John Evans &
Eleri Thomas (Clerk)

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

County Cllr Ifan Lloyd Davies; Cllr Angharad Jones; Cllr Non Jones & Gareth Owen
apologised for their inability to attend the meeting.

4. POLICE MATTERS:

PCSO John Evans updated members on recent incidents during the last month:

*Antisocial behaviour / Harassment: 0

*Burglary: 0

*Criminal Damage: window of shed had been broken in Llanio. Also damage to a shed at Ysbyty Ystwyth.

*Theft: 0

*Violence/ Assault: Incident at Lisburne Road.

*Fraud/ Scam calls: Police had discussed with people whilst undertaking door to door visits and when meeting on the street.

The Policing Team had a presence at Tregaron Mart to discuss matters of concern.
The driving of Quad Bikes in the environs of the Teifi Pools was considered.

Dog Behaviour:

The Community Council had received deep concerns during a previous meeting regarding the aggressive behaviour of a certain dog within the village. It was agreed to send a letter to the owners asking them to address these concerns as soon as possible in the interest of the wellbeing of the residents of the Village.

In the response (13.10.2023) it was stated that the owners deeply regretted the recent incidents that had involved the rescue dog and were following all possible steps to ensure that there were no further incidents.

They had asked the rescue centre charity in Bulgaria to take him back and this had been agreed as soon as the Police had discharged the Case.

Update received: 14.02.2024.

We still have our dog, as the option of rehoming him fell through, and unfortunately the rescue centre in Bulgaria were not able to accommodate him, so he remains with us. We are following all the advice given by the Police for his day-to-day exercise.

If the situation changes, we will update you.

It was resolved to remind members of the public of the need to ensure that their dogs were leashed and muzzled (where appropriate) in public spaces in the interest of the safety and wellbeing of the residents of Pontrhydfendigaid and Ffair Rhos. It was agreed to draw the situation to the attention of the Police Commissioner of Wales and submit notices in the Cambrian News and the Barcud.

Poster: Spotting a Cannabis Farm: Growing cannabis on a large scale such as in a home or industrial unit is a secretive affair which is dangerous, illegal and preys on the most vulnerable people. Suspicious behaviour can be reported on 101; emergency 999. Crime Stoppers: 0800 555 111. To display the poster within the Village and Social Platforms.

5. DECLARATION OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTEREST

None declared.

6. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 18th of January 2024

It was PROPOSED, SECONDED and resolved that the Minutes of the 18th January 2024, were a correct record and were signed by the Chairperson.

7. MATTERS ARISING

7.1 Precept 2024-25 (part of the Council Tax claimed by Ceredigion County Council on behalf of the Community Council).

The Community Council had already submitted the Precept form to the County Council claiming an increase of 5% or £0.02 per week for the Band D property (average). (Further information: Jan. 2024 minutes and budget report available on the community council's web site)

The Chief Executive of the County Council had allowed until the 14.02.24 to offer the Community Council the opportunity to reassess the situation. It had been agreed not to revise the original request.

7.2 Pantyfedwen Play Area: Grants will have to be sourced to meet the costs of the matting of the play-area. Details re the *Cynnal y Cardi* Community Development and Support Fund re-opened for a second round of applications on the 1 February 2024. As part of CCC's ongoing commitment to supporting economic development and businesses throughout these challenging times, it was delivering the *Cynnal y Cardi* Fund, which was funded by the UK Government's Levelling-Up Agenda via the Shared Prosperity Fund.

7.3 Defibrillators within the vicinity

The total number of defibrillators within Ffair Rhos and Bont Fair was now 4-5. viz:

1. The Teifi Inn: Ffair Rhos (the Community Council had provided the box)
2. Pantyfedwen Hall, Bont: Clare Hughes authorised Guardian within the Circuit.

Clare had reported during a previous meeting that new pads were required. They should be available via the Circuit. Clare had submitted an invoice to the Community Council in relation to the purchase of the Zoll replacement pads. It was agreed for the Clerk to contact the Circuit to find out whether they were provided, free of charge.

The Clerk had contacted Pauline Bett, Community First Responder WAST on the 14.02.2024.

Zoll Defibrillators: NHS provided pads and defibrillators for free but may cease to do so in the future.

Guardian should contact Pauline Bett for replacement pads.

Battery: duration, up to 5 years.

Pads, which had a 5 year life span from date of manufacture needed to be changed at date of expiry or after each use (approx. £45)

If not a Zoll Defib. Pauline Bett could not help.

The present invoice of £55.88 will have to be met by the Community Council as it was not purchased via Pauline Bett.

It was reported that Mrs Clare Hughes had contacted CalonHeart but had been informed that replacement pads were not available free of charge, despite the Zoll. Defib. Status.

Clare had purchased the pads online from Shaw Trade Global Ltd.

3. Village Shop, Bont: Ceredig: authorised Guardian within the Circuit.
4. Strata Florida Abbey. (the Community Council provided the box): Cllr Ifan Lloyd Davies to liaise with the Committee and will make the necessary arrangements to assign an authorised Guardian for this defibrillator.
5. The Headteacher of Bont School had agreed for a further defibrillator to be positioned on the school premises. Cllr Ieuan Davies to contact the Headteacher to move the matter forward.

7.4 Floods in the environs of the river Teifi: Attention to be assigned to the trimming of certain trees in the vicinity. Cllr Richard Jones will attend to the matter.

7.5 Flags: Ffair Rhos and surrounding area: Cllr Ieuan Davies to visit a store, which sold suitable flags, in Cardiff.

7.6 Community Council's Annual Dinner: Friday 9th February 2024 at the Red Lion, Bont. It was reported that all present had enjoyed the event.

7.7 Two Trees within the Pantyfedwen Park have been recently trimmed under the direction of Cllr Richard Jones. 12-15 inches. Two outstanding.

7.8 Meeting between representatives of the County Council and Town and Community Councils Ceredigion CC:
Questions had been submitted (please refer to the 18 January 2024 Minutes):
Awaiting a reply.

7.9 Inscribing additional names on the Bont War Memorial. In a previous communication Mr John Jones, Ffair Rhos asked whether it would be possible to inscribe additional names on the War Memorial. Thanks to the dedicated research of Lyn Ebenezer, the names of the 3 who were killed in a plane accident in Pen-Bwlch were now known viz:

Pilot: Air Officer GB Bainbridge

Assistant Pilot: RG Cosgrave;

Auxiliary Air Sergeant: W. Powell

In addition, another name was missing from the memorial of the First World War. Thanks again to Lyn, - Richard David Davies, Rock House. He lived in Pontrhydfendigaid until he emigrated with his family to Australia and joined the army of that country. He died in Fromelles in 1916.

Paul James & John Jones had been contacted to ask whether they could inscribe the names of the above on a plaque.

Paul James will visit the site shortly to establish the way ahead.

Mr John Jones, Sculptor: awaiting a reply.

7.10 Tenders for grass-cutting, within the Village over the summer months.

It was agreed to display within the vicinity:

PUBLIC NOTICE

Tenders are invited for the following.

Grass-cutting over the summer months

1. Glan-yr-Afon 1-2 cuts

2. 2 cuts No. 1-5 Maesydderwen

3. Village entrance approximately 2 metres from the sign at the main entrance to the village including the Green x 5/6 cuts

4. Around Pantyfedwen Hall to include within the fence of the Ysgol Feithrin and Park x 5/6 cuts

First cut – at the end of April 2024.

Quote per cut.

Deadline for expressions of interest: Thursday 21st March 2024 @6.30pm. Please submit to the Clerk clercystradfflur@gmail.com or to the Chair of the Community Council.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 MS Elin Jones: Questionnaire: The effect of the WG's introduction of the 20mph speed restriction within designated areas: to defer until the following meeting.

8.2 Banking Survey: Ben Lake MP: it was agreed to complete the survey.

8.3 Other Correspondence: For information only- many emails had been forwarded to Cllrs, between meetings, electronically.

9. PLANNING

No Planning matters.

10. FINANCE

10.1 Web Hosting: £28.78

10.2 Clerk's Salary Jan. 2024 £238.33 (gross)

10.3 Clerk's Expenses £32.25 (to include VAT)

10.4 Pads Defibrillator: £55.88 (to include VAT)

10.5 Cllr Gareth Owen, authorised signatory, had contacted Barclays Bank to update details re the Community Council's Bank Account.

11. Items for Facebook: Spotting a Cannabis Farm Poster & Grass-Cutting Notice 2024

The meeting ended at 8.05pm.

Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 21st March 2024 @7pm.

Signed/ Date -----