

Cyngor Cymuned Glyntraian Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held at the Oliver Jones Memorial Hall on Wednesday, 1st April 2015

Present

Councillor Eifion Davies*

Councillor Fred Howell

Councillor Pamela Hughes*

Councillor John Jenkins

Councillor Edith Jones

*Apologies **Absent

Councillor K Lawford (Vice Chair)

Councillor Arwyn Lewis*

Councillor Gretta Roberts

Councillor J Don Roberts*

Councillor Derek Vyse (Chairman)

Also present: F Futchter (Clerk) and PCSO Steve Bellis. Apologies from PCSO Rebecca Proudlove and County Councillor B Roberts.

The Chairman opened the meeting.

Declarations of interest

Cllr Jones and Cllr Lawford Section 137 donations.

Previous minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Lawford, seconded by Cllr Howell.

Reports

Report by PCSO Steve Bellis, representing PCSO Rebecca Proudlove.

- 2 x Road Traffic Collisions
- 3x Suspicious Circumstances
- I'm urging residents to watch their speed and be careful whilst driving!!!!
- Speed camera will be in Pontfadog this month
- Priorities – speeding. 2 recent RTCs in Pontfadog, one of which has left 2 homes with no telephone connection, and the other has demolished the village sign.

Report by Cllr Lawford - Overview of matters discussed at Wrexham Town and Community Council Forum

The White Paper: 'Reforming Local Government – Power to Local People'. This proposes to make huge changes for Community Councils. Councils with an income below £200k may have to amalgamate to create much larger Councils covering a vast area.

Glyntraian CC is proactive and has a website but needs to engage more fully with the community with better access to councillors.

Council agreed to an extraordinary meeting to discuss implications of White Paper on 14th April and agreed to the Clerk attending an SLCC conference in Llandrindod Wells in May.

S137 donations

The maximum amount to be distributed was £2,840.96 (£7.36 per elector - 386).

CHARITY / GROUP	AREA COVERED	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT
Prince's Trust xl Club, Ysgol Dinas Bran	Llangollen	Donation	£50

Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod	Llangollen	Donation	£100
Urdd Gobaith Cymru	Wales	Donation	£50
Marie Curie Cancer Care	North Wales	Donation	£50
St John's Church	Pontfadog	Donation	£150
NSLAS Life after stroke Club	Wrexham	Donation	£50
Glyn News	Ceiriog Valley	Donation	£50
Ceiriog Valley Bowls Club	Ceiriog Valley	Contribution to improve facilities for spectators	£50
Nightingale House Hospice	Wrexham	Donation	£100
Kidney Wales Foundation	Wales	Donation	£50
OJMH	Ceiriog Valley	Donation towards upkeep	£600
Caru'n Pentrefi Group	Ceiriog Valley	Contribution towards costs of cutting verges etc	£300
1 st Ceiriog Valley Scout Group	Ceiriog Valley	Donation	£100
Total			£1,700

Matters arising

- Pontfadog Play Area – Council voted not to renew the SLA with WCBC and to arrange the monthly inspections, Trevor Bates to cut the grass and RoSPA to carry out annual safety inspection.
- OJMH carpark - Scottish Power or contractors to leave it in good condition once vehicles removed.
- Proposed 20 MPH area near Pontfadog School. Clerk to follow up with Highways.
- Proposed joint purchase of flashing 30MPH sign – Response received from Chirk Town Council (purchasing its own) and Ceiriog Uchaf Community Council (not required). GCC has decided it would be too costly to purchase one and will pursue other traffic calming methods.
- CCVP proposed new village signs – no further update. New sign required for Pontfadog following RTC.
- Ceiriog Valley Bowls Club – As part of improving facilities, the Club would like to install a toilet and connect to the sewer drain beneath the OJMH grounds. Council require a copy of the plans and, whilst not wishing to cause obstruction insist that under the rules of the lease, any improvements are done according to planning regulations.

Planning

No new applications.

Highways

- Potholes and sunken area in road on the corner between Valley View and the wharf in Dolywern.

Finance

Accounts paid prior to meeting – Nil

Accounts for payment tonight – Clerk and Community Agent – monthly salary, WCVA-CRU DBS check.

Money received this month – Scottish Power, WCBC – funding for CA post.

Correspondence

Emails from: OVW re Consultation on Council Tax exemptions for long term empty and second homes in Wales; Shine TV FOI request relating to CCTV cameras; BrightPay –Payroll software licence; Cllr G Roberts re OJMH Welsh flag; Code of Practice on Workforce Matters Annual Monitoring return; WCBC – info about Wrexham Local Development Plan 2013-2028.

Letter from Ceiriog Valley Bowls Club re connecting to sewer drain. Clerk to send Council's response.

Any other business

None

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15 p.m.

Signed

Chairman

6th May 2015