

TROEDYRAUR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on December 3rd, 2024

at Coedybyn Village Hall.

Present Cllr. Sian Williams (Chair)

Cllr. Emyr Jones

Cllr. Sharon Thomas

Cllr. Ceri Jones

Cllr. Maldwyn Lewis

Cllr. Mark Davies

Cllr. Teifi Evans

Cllr. Llyr Evans

Cllr. Rob Jones

Clerk Rhian Jones

1 . Apologies

- Cllr Carol Davies and Cllr. Osian Davies

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2. Declaration of Interest –

3. Minutes of the Last Meeting

3.1 – Point 7.2 – we haven't had a chance to meet yet to complete the form.

3.2 - . Everyone received a copy of the November minutes and Cllr. Teifi Evans agreed they were correct, seconded by Cllr.Ceri Jones

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4. Issues arising from the records

4.1 - Cllr.Sharon Thomas is still waiting to hear about the De- Fib in Croesaln.

4.2 –Cllr.Sian Williams has heard from Rhiannon in Boomerang – hoping to meet in the new year to discuss the T Llew Jones sign at Coedybyn.

4.3 – Walkways – they are wet at present and unable to do anything about them. We need someone to cut the bank and the path that goes past Clos Glas. Need to look at 'Public Liability' – a

contract from the County 'Footpath Framework'. Worth asking for 3 prices as soon as possible at Llyn Teifi Trees, Pengallt and Camddwr to clear the path to a standard bridle path.

4.4 – The water problem continues at Brongest – stone traps need to be cleared. Much water collects on the road from the old school down to the bridge and also from Troedyraur Farm down to the junction.

4.5 – The Christmas trees have been replaced and look lovely in every village. We thanked Mike and Teifi Thomas for bringing the trees to the villages and everyone else who came to help with locating them again this year. We also thanked everyone who joined in the carol singing on Sunday afternoon and for the lovely refreshments at Coedybryn Hall to end the evening.

5. Courses

5.1 –A new course list has come out and everyone needs to check them out to book in the new year.

5.2 –Training is available with space for two free on some modules.

* Booking required for Councillors Sian Williams and Mark Davies on Module 21 and 24.

6. County Councillor

6.1 –Thank you to the Councillors who came together to replace the Christmas trees over the weekend.

6.2 – There will be free parking in Ceredigion car parks on all three Saturdays leading up to Christmas.

6.3 – There was a meeting today to discuss the future of some small schools in Ceredigion.

6.4 – On Friday the 6th is a performance by 'Small World Theatre' in Cardigan.

6.5 -Very disappointed of CLIC with the lack of response to the water problem collecting in our villages. The damage in Rhydlewys was seen over the weekend with the bad weather and nowhere for the water and mud to go because the drains were full.

6.6 - Work continues on the Aberaeron coast and it has been interesting to see the details of this project. This work is supposed to save the town for the next 150 years, it's an incredibly important project, but the work is running a little later than expected.

6.7 – There was a very positive response to the Carol Singing over the weekend. A lovely atmosphere was observed in every village and several messages of Thanks have arrived. It was also great to see Cllr.Llŷr Evans distributing sweets to the children from the sack of Father Christmas.

7. Correspondence

7.1 –Warm Welcome Places – a grant is available to all villages. (Coedybryn has already received it and helped pay for the lighting on the tree this year). It is available to other communities if they wish to seek it.

7.2 - Ceredigion Consultation – off-street parking. Car parks make quite a bit of money.

7.3 – There is a problem with local Taxi transport because the companies lack cars.

7.4 – Peace in Action – is anyone interested in being a Peace Ambassador.

7.5 – Transport in Ceredigion – at 10pm on the 10th of December CAVO is holding a community event in Aberaeron.

7.6 – Community Strategies 2024-2027 on Safeguarding Ceredigion.

7.7- The Urdd is offering free holidays to 1,000 children through the ' Fund for all '.

8. Planning

8.1 – Blaenbachcrydd – build a new farm house but need to have the old one taken down because it is not safe.

We have no objection but to them following the planning guidelines. Nice to see a young family bringing the farm back into use. The application was supported by all Councillors. The new house will be energy efficient.

9. Precept

9.1 -We decided to reduce our bid for 2025/26 to £10,000, Cllr Sharon Thomas proposed and seconded by Cll. Llŷr Evans.

9.2 – It is necessary to contact the Chief Executive about the water problem in the area as we are not getting any response at Click.

10. Finance

10.1 – It is necessary to contact Ashmole & Co to identify the change to the Clerk's salary. They need to adjust the salary to £13.69 per hour from April 2024.

10.2 - Everyone agreed to pay the cheques and they were signed by Councillors Emyr Jones and Rob Jones.

Clerk's Salary – £258.18 001789

HMRC – £64.40 001788

The Solar Centre - £191.95 001790

GM Engineering Machinery - £72.00 001787

10.3 – Cllr.Sharon Thomas has been asked to send an invoice before our next meeting for the Christmas Trees which we order for £75 each.

11. Salt Box

11.1 – The salt boxes currently in Salem are full.

11.2 – There is no salt box on Blaenwern hill – but this road is usually gritted by the Council as this is the road they use to get to the highway.

11.3 – It was decided to order 12 new salt boxes to be placed around the area. They will be located near Aelybryn / below Troedyraur Church / the bottom of Troedyraur hill / The top of Troedyraur / Penrhiwpal from the direction of Coedybryn / Twrgwyn / the bottom of Blaenwern hill/ near Brynhywel / on the way from Croeslan to Penrhiwllan / Pengallt/ the top of Blaenwern / Maesllyn. It will also be necessary to ensure that the boxes are filled with salt. (Cllr Ceri Jones proposed that we as a Council order 12 boxes and fill them and it was seconded by the Cllr. Teifi Evans).

12. Area issues

12.1 – Croeslan – The bank remains overgrown over the pavement and when coming from the direction of Llandysul and it's difficult to see the signs – speed and the name of the village.

12.2 –The 60s/70s Night takes place at Newcastle Emlyn tomorrow night and the 'Llewod Bach' tractor tour passes through the town and ends at the Rugby club.

12.3 – Rhydlewis – Pengar hill needs the drains sorted out and there is a 'pothole' in the middle of the village that needs to be filled.

12.4 – Brongest – there is a bench with a broken stylus and the same also at Maesllyn in the Millennium Garden. A complaint about this bench in Brongest -this will be discussed at the January meeting.

12.5 – Ffostrasol – Last Sunday there was flooding due to the water coming down from the direction of Plump. A lot of chippings and leaves and mud were carried down by the water and he had nowhere to go as the drains were blocked.

12.6 – BT has been installing a new post in the village of Ffostrasol. The traffic lights caused problems for long vehicles.

12.7 – There has been a shortfall in water supply in many villages recently.

12.8 – Coedybryn Lunch Club -Thursday, December 5th - 70 have booked for Christmas dinner in the Hall.

12.9 -Before our next meeting, everyone will need to take the lights off the Christmas trees of their own villages and also take down the trees.

14. Next Meeting

14.1 – Our next meeting will be at Rhydlewis Hall on January 7th at 7:30pm.

14.2 – As there was nothing further to discuss, the Chair drew the meeting to a close at 10:15pm

Agreed that these entries are correct.

Signed (Chair)

Date

