

## TROEDYRAUR COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 2<sup>nd</sup> MARCH, 2021

#### MEETING CONDUCTION VIA ZOOM

**Present** Cllr. Mark Davies (chair) Cllr. Owenna Davies  
Cllr. Emyr Jones Cllr. Ceri Jones  
Cllr. Sharon Thomas Cllr. Maldwyn Lewis  
Cllr. Julie Davies Cllr. Teifi Evans

**Apologies** Cllr. Evan John Jones, Cllr. Llyr Evans, Cllr. Roger Davies.

**Clerk** Margaret Jones

| <b>Agenda item</b> | <b>Action</b> | <b>By whom</b> | <b>By when</b> |
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| 1 | Apologies                   | Apologies were received from Cllr Evan John Jones, Cllr Roger Davies and Cllr. Llyr Evans.                                       |  |
| 2 | Declaration of Interest     | Cllr. Owenna Davies declared an interest from correspondence received from 'Cymdeithas Plant y Bryn – Atgofion Ysgol Coedybryn'. |  |
| 3 | Minutes of February meeting | All Councillors had received a copy of the minutes of the February meeting.  |  |

**Matters Arising** – The Clerk confirmed that she had now found the reference number to the planning application at Mock Farm and this had been inserted into the minutes. Citizens Advice donation to be £200 and this had also been inserted into the minutes.

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| 4. | Confirmation of Minutes  | Cllr. Emyr Jones proposed the February minutes to be correct, seconded by Cllr Owenna Davies and agreed by all present.   |              |
| 5. | County Councillor Report | Cllr. Maldwyn Lewis reported that due to heavy rain during the last month, this area had been very lucky and no flooding had been reported.<br>Mid Wales Skills Partnership was being developed in Ceredigion and Ceredigion local committee were looking for a Chairperson for the County.<br>He also reminded everyone of the upcoming Census and Election and reminded all that assistance is available to complete the Census form.       |              |
| 6. | Correspondence           | <b>Un Llais Cymru</b> had sent an invite to forward a name from the Community Council as a representative to a Ceredigion local Meeting on 17.03.2021 at 7.00 p.m. It was agreed that it would be a good idea that Troedryaur Community Council to be represented in this meeting and Cllr. Owenna Davies kindly offered to be our representative. Contact details for Cllr. Owenna Davies to be forwarded before the 10 <sup>th</sup> March. | <b>Clerk</b> |

**Cruse Bereavment Care** had forwarded a letter asking for financial assistance. This was discussed and Cllr. Owenna Davies proposed a donation of £200. This was seconded by Cllr Julie Davies and all present agreed to this sum as the work they offer in the community is very important especially during the pandemic. Cheque to be forwarded as soon as possible. **Clerk**

**H.M. Land Registry** – Anonymous survey could be completed online as regards ownership of parcels of land within the community council.

**Un Llais Cymru** – ‘Code of Conduct’ – all Councillors to read this document and policies and constitution can be updated when necessary.

**Panel Annibynnol Cymru** – survey had been forwarded to set up advisory panel as regards paying of Councillors.

**BHIP Insurance** – self service portal had now been set up to enable Councils to download policies. Policy to be downloaded and forwarded to all Councillors. **Clerk**

**Un Llais Cymru** – course available on ‘Constructive Conversation’.

**Fly Tipping Prevention** – link to be forwarded to all Councillors. **Clerk**

**Cyber Crime** – this had been forwarded to all Councillors and all agreed that it was becoming more common and the scammers are very clever. PDF file to be forwarded to the website and Ffostrasol page. **Clerk**

**Un Llais Cymru** – a lecture is to be held on 04.03.2021 as regards ownership of second homes in the area and to discuss new policies for Wales.

**Traffic Calming for Rhyd Lewis** – A number of letters had been received by the Clerk following the latest accident in the village which caused significant damage to a property near the bridge. Residents voiced their concern regarding the speed at which vehicles were approaching the bridge from both directions. Cllr. Maldwyn Lewis stated that speed limits for villages were due to be reviewed next in 2023 which could possibly bring the village speed limit from 30mph to 20mph. Various meetings have already taken place on/near the bridge and suggestions had been made to the County Council previously to instal speed ramps but Highways department are not happy to place them. Cllr. Maldwyn Lewis proposed and all agreed that as a parish council, a letter be forwarded to Cllr. Tom Jendalf as well as Chief Executive of Ceredigion County Council voicing our concerns to the latest accident and also to forward copies of all the letters which had been received from residents of the village.

**Cymdeithas Plant y Bryn – Atgofion Ysgol Coedybryn** – A letter had been received from ‘Cymdeithas Plant y Bryn’ requesting financial assistance to publish a commemorative book for Coedybryn school. Cllr. Owenna Davies had declared an interest in this matter and left the meeting while the matter was discussed. Similar books had been published in the area and it was suggested that the same amount as had been given to Capel Cynon School be donated to Coedybryn but due to the fact that 5 years had lapsed since that publication, Cllr. Teifi Evans proposed the sum of £1,000 be donated. Cllr. Julie Davies seconded this and all Councillors agreed. Cheque to be forwarded as soon as possible. **Clerk**

7. Planning

Three planning applications had come to hand.

**A210087 – Maesffynnon, Brongest** – new stable block.

The chairman shared the documents on screen for all to view and comment. All Councillors present agreed to the application and comments to be reported are to be submitted as – renovation of old building and this would enhance the look of the building in rural Wales.

**A210058 – Bryngernos, Bwlchgyroes** – planning for stable block and menage. Again this was discussed and documents were shared and viewed on screen. All Councillors agreed to this application and again were of the opinion that the new building would enhance rural Wales.

**A210128 – Plots 5 & 6 opposite Ardwyn, Croeslan** – 2 new houses to be built – one of them being affordable housing and the other full price house. Documents for this was again shared and viewed on screen and all Councillors agreed to this application especially as one would be affordable housing and local young couple were interested and professional young local family were also interested in the full priced house.

8. Financial

Payments:- C.A.B. donation £200  
Zoom Licence £143.88  
HMRC £42.40  
Ashmole £156.00/£78  
Clerk's Wages £170.00  
Llinos Jones £169.80  
Urdd Gobaith Cymru donation £200

It was decided to transfer £5,000 from the Business Reserve Account into the Current Account. Cllr. Owenna Davies was prepared, as previously, to take a letter into the Carmarthen NatWest branch to authorise this transaction. Clerk to prepare letter as previously and Cllr. Maldwyn Lewis and Cllr. Owenna Davies to sign the letter.

The Clerk reported that 2 bank statement sheets were missing from the file being number 383 and 384. Letter had been forwarded to the bank asking for copies but nothing had arrived as at date of meeting.

9. Area Matters

**Defibrillators.** Following correspondence received from CymruHearts.org regarding a £200 grant available to obtain Defibrillators, the current one's within the Parish Council had been checked and some were found after running a self-test to not be working correctly. The one located in Ffostrasol had a 'X' after running the self-test. Croeslan was working and had a tick in the the box after cleaning. Brongest was dry and working. Coedybryn and Maesllyn were also working and ticks appeared in the box. However, due to the current situation with Covid and ambulance response time, it was agreed by all that all defibrillators in the parish be checked by a professional. A Mr. J. Evans had been involved with the installation of the defibrillators in the area when they were initially installed and it was therefore decided to contact him and ask for advice and inspection. An e-mail address for Mr. J. Evans was to hand with the Clerk and therefore it was agreed that an e-mail be forwarded to ask for assistance and advice. The location of the Defibrillator at Rhydlewis Hall was also brought to attention as it is not located near the main door of the hall and therefore not clearly visible. Mr. Ceri Jones is to ask permission of the Hall Committee to move the defibrillator to be near the main door where lighting is also much better. As regards the grant of £200 this was discussed and a defibrillator could be installed in the Bwlchgroes area, possibly on the Chapel Vestry wall after obtaining permission from the Chapel. As we had only obtained price from Cymruhearts.org for a defibrillator, it was decided to request model number etc., from them to compare price before proceeding. **Clerk**

**Coedybryn** – wooden bench by The Lodge was in poor condition and Cllr. Julie Davies offered that her husband Neil was prepared to repair the bench. All Councillors thanked her for his offer and asked her to relay our thanks.

Mound of rubbish was again seen in the village on 2.3.21 – keep an eye on the situation.

**Rhydlewis** – Cllr. Ceri Jones reported that the street lamp near the property known as Glyn Arwel was not working. Cllr. Ceri Jones to get the SL number from the lamp and forward to the Clerk and this to be reported on the Ceredigion CLIC site. (SL67 1884) **Clerk**

**Ffostrasol** – Cllr. Owenna Davies asked if anyone had heard anything about the shop in Ffostrasol. Nothing to report.

10. Audit update

The Clerk had sent a letter asking for an update but no response had been received. Clerk to follow the letter up with a telephone call to check that the letter had been received. **Clerk**

