## Crynant Community Council

Minutes meeting held, 22nd February, 2018

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**291: Apologies**. Cllr. Andrea Hart, Cllr. Peter Shopland & Cllr.Sian Phillips.

**292: Register of attendance**. Duly completed.

**293: To receive Declarations of Interest**. Cllr. B. Michael item 304(a)

**294: To approve and sign the minutes of January, Council and finance:**

 **RESOLVED:** January Council Minutes approved as true and accurate. Finance meeting minutes received for information to be signed as true and accurate by Chair of sub-committee meeting.

**295: Matters arising from the minutes. Item 284**: Update on recent cemetery visit/inspection. Cllr Wood reported that the Sexton was to be commended as at the recent inspection/visit the cemetery was very nicely kept and in order. The Sexton reported some unauthorised items have been removed, and the families informed. **Item 287:** Councillor Training courses 3 places booked for making effective grant applications and 2 places for Council as an Employer. **Item 290:** No response received from Mr. Rinaldi regarding correspondence on the proposed lease agreement. **Item 289:** Website discussed at finance meeting, quotations to be sought for new site and interim training on existing site to be considered.

**296: Police Report.** PC Van de Weow appointed to cover the village no official start date however expected to be early March invitation extended to attend Council meetings. Typed report provided stated: **1 Crime** – malicious communications (ongoing). **5 Non-Crime** 1 ASB (finalised no further action taken) 1 – Animal welfare (ongoing RSPCA involved). 1 Audible alarm (false activation). 1 – Concern for safety (all in order no further action required). 1 – Missing person (all in order person returned home). **4 items** raised to be passed onto PCSO.- parked vehicle, on the brow of a hill with main headlights shinning into oncoming traffic; Parking on Main Road, outside Saron Chapel causing an obstruction; Parking in Bus stop at Ynys y Bont; parking on pavements.

**283: County Councillor Harris report.** Report attached for reference.

County Cllr. Harris asked for a report on Cefn Coed Colliery following reported budget cuts – Cllr Harris reported that the Managers job was safe.

Cllr. Lewis raised that state of the roads and work that had been completed on roads in other parts of the County. Cllr Harris responded that there was a priority list and would see if a copy available. Drains and flooding on the road Cefn Coed a major concern.

Refuse collection discussed, and highlighted that the system not fit for purpose, litter being left on the streets following collection, Community Council requested that the matter be raised with the Streetcare team. Discussion regarding the possibility of new reusable garden refuse sacks, it is understood the new system is not being implemented at present.

Cllr. Bevan asked that the Council look at standing water on the footpath between Heol-y-Berllan and School Road.

 **298: To receive a report from any Member concerning meetings at which he or she represented the Council.** Understanding the law training attended by Chair & Clerk: Actions to be undertaken that will impact the Council. General data protection summary of main points to be provided for next full Council meeting.

Welsh language act, we will have to look at a specific policy Clerk to request draft from One Voice Wales for adoption as a minimum all agenda and minutes are to be bi-lingual and costs for this being sought, budget will need to be amended accordingly. Complaints procedure to be published Clerk to advise for April.

 **299: Planning applications:** Application Number: P2018/0081

Applicants Name /Address: Mr Maughan, 8 Nant Celyn site Location: 39 Nant Celyn,

Proposed Development: Erection of 4 bedroom bungalow – No observations.

 P2017/0948 – 3 detached dwellings Lewis Road, - **Resolved** the following observations be submitted. Minimum of two parking spaces off road, per dwelling and concerns that access to the Main Road could be restricted.

 **300: Bank reconciliation & payment authorisations.**

 Listing for January:

 Bank charges £ 14.20 Service charge for December

 Wages as per contracts £2002.35 Total wages for January

 JPB tree services £1550.00 Grounds maintenance

 **Resolved:** following payments authorised:

Bank charges £ 12.90 Service charge for January

Wages as per contracts £2025.81 Total wages for February

One voice wales £ 80.00 Training

**301: Personnel report & Relief caretaker resignation.**  Relief caretaker has formally resigned. **RESOLVED:** Clerk to advertise position. Costs to train new caretaker and upskill existing to be considered and review budget at next finance meeting. Clerk gave personnel report.

**302: Association report. RESOLVED:**To reform House sub-committee, members of Groups to be invited to sit on Committee and attendance requested to AGM.

Complaint received on the standard of cleanliness in Kitchen - to be addressed at committee. KOSH regulations to be considered & fire signage/evacuation procedures.

**303: To consider Councillor allowances & budget implications for year end March 2019 Asset transfer, training, consultation events- attendance, transport and costs for providing feedback, time to study etc. RESOLVED:** To review on an ad-hoc basis delegated to finance sub-committee.

 **304: Correspondence. (a formal communication from Solicitor regarding Crynant RFC Incorporation. (b) One Voice Wales annual membership. (a) RESOLVED:** Clerk to consult County Borough Solicitor for advice. **(b) RESOLVED:** To renew membership of One Voice Wales at a cost of £274.00

 **305: Any other business.** (a) Clerk to investigate process for reclaiming juvenile burial fees (b) issue of dog fouling in tennis courts – to be an agenda item for March.

 There was no further business and meeting closed at 7:50pm

 Signed:

 Date:

Cllr S Harris report 22 February 2018

 Pot hole on Ystradgynlais road brought up by councillors, need clarification of exactly where

it is? The pot holes on the turn to Ystradgynlais/Seven Sisters are being dealt with by re-

surfacing in the next financial year. So if it is not in this area please can someone highlight

exactly where it is

 Bin by seat top of Treforgan Road (Kingfisher side) I have had a positive response and it is

being looked at.

 Shelter by Treforgan – have put on my list but for now it’s not an option, re-look at towards

the end of 2018.

 Coping stones on bridge Treforgan. The stones as you can see have not been put back on.

The stones have not been wasted and will be put to use on another project. Health and

safety also being an issue with the weight of the stones. Ian Davies Plant has however done

a marvellous job with the bridge.

 British Telecom cable – sorry can Councillor Evans meet me to show me exactly what the

issue is. I am not exactly sure looking at the cables myself?

 Pot hole opposite SWFT filled in

 New signage for Gwyn Terrace – at the top of The Crescent there will now be a new sign

stating The Crescent- leading to Lewis Road, Gwyn Terrace, Golwyg Y Graig and Mary Street,

bi-lingual.

 Grant application has been submitted, hopefully we should know if granted by the end of

March. More speed signage through the village, leading from Iron Bridge, chevrons, dragons

teeth, sharp bend signs and the area where there has been a couple of crashes lately, last

one being a bus.

 I have a meeting Friday re an issue with the school wall and neighbours. Council want to

knock the stone wall down and place with a different construction. Meeting to see if I can

resolve issue. Only one property affected.

 Sunken drain – Coed Du Road – replaced and concreted back in place.

 Dog mess patrols carried out today – 19 February – bigger patrol in place for early March.

 Litter on Neath Road has now been cleared – 3 vans now back on the road so it will be

cleared more regularly.