## Crynant Community Council

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***You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of the Council at 7:30pm on Thursday 30th May, 2019. To be held at the Community Centre. Please submit apologies directly to the Clerk.***

**AGENDA**

484: Apologies for absence/Reason given.

485: Register of attendance.

486: To receive Declarations of Interest (To provide opportunity for Member to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interests in any item on the agenda).

487: To approve and sign the Council meeting minutes.

488: Matters arising from the minutes (for information only).

489: To adjourn if necessary, to receive public questions.

490: To receive Police report (for information only).

491: County Councillor Harris report.

492: To receive a report from any Member concerning meetings at which he or she represented the Council.

493: Clerks report to include (a) Bank reconciliation; (b) Payment authorisations.

494: To consider Council participation in Egni Solar project. (Further information attached).

495: To review Cemetery policy & request monetary sum for safety and improvement projects.

496: To consider outside space maintenance plan for summer 2019. To include opening up of Woodland Walk, any future improvements & community engagement.

482: Correspondence: (a) Resident email of complaint re condition of platform at Woodland Walk; (b) Request for response to petition to replace park with new skate ramp; (c) Invitation from Crynant RFC to Club annual dinner Saturday June 15th.

483: Any other business. (to include issues not directly covered under any of the above. These may not be described in the agenda but should be raised with the Clerk prior to the meeting)

Item 494

I’m writing to update you on the Egni solar project and the next steps.

We were successful in pre-registering the Crynant Community Centre sites(s) for the Feed-in Tariff so we have until March 2020 within which to install the solar panels.

The benefit to you is the supply of green electricity from the panels which will reduce your carbon footprint and will be 20% cheaper than that supplied by your existing supplier.

 I confirm there is no cost to you at any stage to install the panels. You can read more in our [FAQs](https://www.dropbox.com/s/4k0lvg627s0us1n/FAQs4.docx?dl=0) and our [Summary](https://www.dropbox.com/s/j58e2oydscfswd4/Egni%20Summary%20-%20Eng.pdf?dl=0).

We’ve also approached our existing co-op members and raised £300k towards the cost of the first set of solar installations so we’re keen to get some sites installed in June. We’ll be launching the full public Share Offer at the Hay Festival on June 2nd.

Before we can install solar, we need to undertake a few steps:

         get a firm quote from one of our panel of installers

         we may need to get a structural survey of the roof depending on the opinion of the installer

         agree and then sign a Lease and a Power Purchase Agreement with you.

We want to progress the legal discussions quickly as we are working with 250 sites and want to install community and business sites asap, as know our public sector sites will take longer. All sites have to be commissioned by March 2020 or we lose the FiT.  These links till take you to our [Lease](https://www.dropbox.com/s/y8cvlrwktvd33og/FIT%20lease%20PLP%20cc14.05.19.docx?dl=0) and Power [Purchase Agreement (PPA).](https://www.dropbox.com/s/76jcqonao90be46/PPA%20CC%2014.05.19.docx?dl=0) A two page [Heads of Terms](https://www.dropbox.com/s/y3aqf8jirulov57/Heads%20of%20TermsEgni08.05.2018.docx?dl=0) summarises the main points in both documents. PLEASE DON’T SIGN THE LEASE AND PPA – they’re not in a form to be signed. They follow the same format as our legal agreements at our existing solar sites – Dove Workshops, Glynneath Training Centre, Ysgol y Bedol, Seven Sisters Community Centre, Trimsaron Leisure Centre and Phoenix Centre. There is more information about these sites on [www.egni.coop](http://www.egni.coop).

We have funds to pay for legal advice for you – this is capped at £750+vat. We have had contact with two solicitors (details at the end of this email) or you may wish to appoint your own. If you’re wish to sign the Lease and PPA as they stand, please confirm – our solicitor will still need to do title searches on your property to ensure you have full ownership rights and there are no restrictive covenants, and send you the final Lease and PPA to sign.