

# Cyngor Cymuned Creunant Crynant Community Council



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**Minutes of the meeting of Crynant Community Council held at Crynant Community Centre, 24 Woodland Road, Crynant, SA108RF on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2023.**

## **1032: To receive apologies for absence**

Cllr. C Bevan (Work Commitment), Cllr. S Rundle (Holiday)

## **1033: To receive declarations of personal and prejudicial interests**

There were no declarations of interest

## **1034: To adjourn if necessary to receive public questions or statements**

There were no public questions or statements

## **1035: To approve and sign the previous Community Council Minutes**

**Resolved:** That the minutes were a true and accurate record of the meeting of the Crynant Community Council held on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

## **1036: County Borough Council Matters**

Mrs Mortimer presented that Cllr. S Hunt had been in contact with the grant application for the playground. Cllr. S Hunt willing to support and attend a meeting with all councillors.

## **1037: County Borough Councillor Items**

Mrs Mortimer presented to councillors the 'Get ready for 20mph summit' Cllr. S Keir stated that the 20mph speed limits that we need to enquire for more information as certain councils are opting out. NPT are not doing anything. Mrs Mortimer stated that certain councils are looking at EV Charging. We will mention this with NPT Council. All Cllr's agreed.

## **1038: To receive Police report**

There was no police report. PCSO has attended two Cuppa with a copper in the last two weeks. There is also Cuppa with a copper on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July 5pm – 6pm.

## **1039: To receive the Clerk's report and approve payment schedule**

There was no Clerk's report. RFO stated that an internal bank transfer of £15k had been completed. Reserve account statement reviewed. £60K Total reserve figures confirmed £12k (3 Month running cost) £6k unreserved (10% max) £30K Playground refurb £2K MYH maintenance £10k legal & potential redundancy payments.

The Internal Audit will be delayed by a month - appropriate notices posted. The previous year's audit reports have been challenged with Wales Audit Office.

Cllr. S Keir stated that the Defib battery has a 5-year life.

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RESOLVED: To make the following payments:

Wages	£	As per contract
Barclays Bank	£17.80	Monthly bank charges
Tesco	£91.40	Vols - Loppers, shears & Fuel
B&Q	£51.20	Vols - Post Crete
Zoar's	£39.90	Vols - Posts
Defib store	£246.00	Replacement battery
Charlie's Stores	£394.99	Strimmer (to replace broken equip.)
Insight	£48.00	Workplace assessments
Audit Wales	£273.00	Audit fee

## **1040: To receive Community Association report**

Cllr. S Keir thanked Miss Farthing for providing CVS three days of training throughout the year. There is a Jumble Sale on Wednesday August 9<sup>th</sup> 10am – 1:30pm a few tables have been booked. There are currently 10 Volunteers altogether. The outdoor volunteers have installed a new bin in the toddler's playground. Cllr. Rundle is lead on the toddler's play equipment to which is being installed approximately 2 weeks onwards from the Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August. Borrowed Herras fencing from H Davies (Ian Davies plant) which is now protecting the new play equipment. There have been 20 replacement fence posts put in around the Meadow. A volunteer has been painting the centre railings. Maes yr Hendre cemetery was cut on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2023. Other volunteers will be cutting the chapel and churches as usual.

## **1041: To receive a report from any member concerning meetings at which they represented the Council**

Cllrs. Keir, Reed, Rundle, and Miss Farthing attended a Networking Neighbourhood event with CVS which was good and helpful. Cllr. A Kingdon attended School Governors Meeting; all fine. Cllr. Waldron attended a Llais y Goedwig (Voice of the Woodland) in south west Wales meeting stating that Crynant Forest is not classed as a National Forest.

## **1042: Planning application: P2022/0492 Plot 1 Treforgan Road**

It was suggested that an observation on the uniformity of materials to be used across the five plots were submitted. Further observations to be submitted once Members had reviewed application online.

## **1043: To consider the Recording of Community Council Meetings**

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Cllr. A Kingdon suggested audio recording of the meetings to make us more transparent for council use only. Rules and disclaimer policy required. All Cllr's agreed.

## **1044: To consider the content of the Community Council Website**

Cllr. Kingdon stated that Cllr. Reed has revamped the council website and it is looking more 2023. Cllr. Kingdon suggested that all Cllrs have photos by their information. Cllr. S Waldron stated that it is the format of every other council. All Cllrs agreed that it was a good idea, but it was up to each councillor. It was also noted that the minutes were only available in the English language; this is as per the Councils Welsh language policy. Cllr. B Morris advised that she would be available to assist/translate limited volumes of documentation as required.

## **1045: To consider the removal of any other business from the agenda of future community council meetings as a standing agenda item**

Cllr. Kingdon attended a One Voice Wales Charing skills course and suggested the removal of Any Other Business. Mrs Mortimer stated due to being a small community we need Cllrs to use this to decide if the item can go on next months, but it cannot be resolved and will then be passed onto the next agenda. Cllr. A Kingdon withdrew his opinion on taking any other business off.

## **1046: To consider the annual report and capital expenditure**

Mrs Mortimer asked do we need to work on what do we want assets. Capital list needs reviewing and will be sent out to Cllr's next meeting. One item that has been brought up is the Miners Welfare Hall. Cllr. Morris suggested a special meeting. Cllrs Waldron suggested a bottom draw list. All Cllrs agreed.

## **1047: To receive the Clerks report on Correspondence**

Correspondence:	
Welsh Assembly Gov.	Noted
Resident	Noted deferred until we have a project proposal.
One Voice Wales	Await relevant information to be sent out.
National Forest Wales.Gov	Item will be brought to July meeting.
Brian Lewis	Members express sadness at receiving this resignation, a token of thanks will be sent in due course.

Cllr. B Morris suggested an exit meeting for Cllrs.

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## **INTRODUCTION OF STANDING ORDER 3(D) – BY REASON OF THE CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF THE BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED, MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC SHALL BE EXCLUDED**

RESOLVED To introduce standing order 3(D)

### 1048. Personnel Matters

Resolved: To accept personnel committee's recommendation to appoint Gemma Farthing as Clerk on standard SLCC contract 20hours per week, Skp 18.

Resolved: To engage with Mr. S Williams at T Llewellyn Jones Solicitors r.e. employee redundancy.

Resolved: To suspend standing order 3W to allow the meeting to exceed the period of two hours. Cllr. Barry Michael left the meeting.

### 1049: Any other business

It was confirmed that AOB would remain an agenda item, for items that require discussion only. All Members were reminded that no resolutions could be made under AOB if an issue/ item requires resolving then will need to be added to the next meeting agenda, if an urgent consideration is required then Members contact the Clerk prior to the meeting giving as much notice as possible.