

## December 2020

**Minutes of the monthly meeting of the Gilfach Goch Community Council held on Wednesday 9 December at the GGCA.**

*Cofnodion cyfarfod misol. Cynhelir Mercher 9 Rhafgyr 2020.*

### PRESENT

COUNCILLORS: J. LEWIS, A. WARREN, M. WHITTER, J. ABBOTT.

### IN ATTENDANCE

THE CLERK DAWN WALTERS.

#### **22. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

22.1 Borough Councillor Aurfron Roberts.

#### **23. MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

23.1 There were no declarations of interest.

#### **24. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

24.1 The minutes of the previous monthly meeting and the Grants Meeting were then agreed as a true record.

#### **25. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

25.1 Minute 14.4 The precept was set at £21000

25.2 Minute 14.9 The Register is complete and has been emailed to councillors.

25.3 Minute 14.14 2 sets of documents have been forwarded to councillors. The clerk will extract information from these documents to create one agreement that is suitable. It was RESOLVED: That M Whitter will work with the clerk in ensuring that the documentation of the plot holders are accurate and the allotments will be discussed as an agenda item in January 2021. A Warren mentioned that we needed to tell the borough council of the intention to use the CIL money for the allotment but on seeking advice on this I have had confirmation that it is only the receipts of expenditure that are required for an annual return.

25.4 Minute 14.15 For discussion in Staffing.

25.5 Minute 17.3 J Lewis' name has been forwarded to Sight Cymru.

25.6 Minute 17.4 The payment of £200 has been made to Cerebral Palsy Cymru and a thank you received.

25.7 Minute 18.2 Lisa Austin reacted promptly to the request for removal of barbed wire fencing and brambles from an area in Holly Street Park. A gentleman named Simon Jarvis went to inspect and it was found that the problem was coming from private land but Mr Jarvis was kindly going to send a maintenance team to deal with the matter as best they could. M Whitter hadn't noticed if the work had been done but would check.

25.8 Minute 18.4 Stagecoach were contacted regarding J. Abbott's concerns of a number of bus stop flags but the clerk was informed that it was the responsibility of the borough council. A Roberts was informed and it was actioned. J Abbott reported that they are still in the same condition and it was RESOLVED: That the clerk speak to A. Roberts again.

**26. STAFFING** (Not for publication moved by J. Lewis, seconded by A. Warren)

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**27. REPORTS / COMPLAINTS**

27.1 J. Abbot reported on the success of the 4 day Christmas event in the village that James Thomas (Beefy's Baps) had arranged.

27.2 J. Abbot mentioned that there have been several charitable causes in the village during the year, especially under the pandemic circumstances and suggested that maybe the community council consider a citizen of the year award (or something similar). Tonyrefail community council have done this.

**28. FINANCIAL REPORT**

28.1 The clerk was grateful for the approval of the One Voice Wales membership and confirmed that the first year was half price. The payment made to them was £106.05 for 5 months.

28.2 The electricity account with SSE is still in credit by £15.62. The clerk mentioned that she is spending a lot of time in the office and it is quite cold to work and is putting the heating on for about 2 hours before commencing work and was concerned that this would probably create a lot more electricity usage during the winter months. A. Warren showed concern regarding the working conditions and a better cost effective system should be looked into.

**29. ACCOUNTS**

29.1 Cheques authorised

002608	Tonyrefail School	£1000
002609	Dawn Walters	£50
002610	Bus Shelters Ltd	£376.20

29.2 Bank transactions for November

**November Expenditure**

Dwr Cymru	£42.20	
Marks & Spencer	£10	(Allotment gratitude)
Cartridge Save	£55.46	(Ink for photocopier)
B T	£70.58	
Argos	£63.98	(Ink for printer)
Edwina Jones	£450	
Judie's Florist	£25	(Allotment gratitude)
HMRC	£172.04	
Council Tax	£111	
First Responder Group	£750	Chq 002601
J Bayliss (Fresh n Fruity)	£1000	Chq 002607
James Thomas (Beefy's Baps)	£1000	Chq 002606
D Walters	£2984.08	Chq 002587
D Walters	£1539.56	Chq 002604
H Jones	£280	Chq 002603
OAP Welfare	£500	Chq 002591
Moriah Chapel	£500	Chq 002588
Red Valley FC	£700	Chq 002598
Garden Village Arts & Crafts	£300	Chq 002595
Bethel Methodist Church	£1000	Chq 002596
A Buch	£427.50	Chq 002605
St Barnabas Church	£500	Chq 002589
St Barnabas Mother's Union	£400	Chq 002597

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G. G 1 <sup>st</sup> Scout Group	£500	Chq 002599
Dawn Walters (N Blake gift voucher)	£50	Chq 002609
Garden Village Ladies Guild	£300	Chq 002594
Hendreforgan School	£800	Chq 002590
SLCC Membership	£106.05	BACS

**October Income**

No Income Received

29.3 Money already earmarked

Dropped Kerbs	£5000
New Basketball Area	£40000
Bus Shelter Repairs	£623.80
CIL	£6174
Windfarm	£4000

Commitments

Salaries	£8416
Utilities (C. Tax, BT, Water, Electricity Estimate)	£900
Unpresented Cheques	£3287.20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£68401</b>

Income not yet received

Precept	£18666
Allotment and Ground Rent	£1000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£19666</b>

29.4 Bank Reconciliation

Balance @ 30.11.2020	£93894.59
Earmarked + Commitments	£68401-
Income not yet received	£19666+

**BAL: £45159.59**

**30. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

30.1 The meeting was then brought to a close and the date set for the next meeting which will take place on Wednesday 13 January 2021 6.30pm at the GGCA.