

June 2024

Minutes of the monthly meeting of the Gilfach Goch Community Council held on Wednesday 12 June 2024 at the Community Council Office.

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PRESENT

COUNCILLORS: L. PRICE R. PRICE A.DRAPER J.REES
J.ABBOTT

IN ATTENDANCE

THE CLERK DAWN WALTERS

16 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

16.1 A.WARREN D.ATHWAL

17. MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST

17.1 No declarations were received.

18. PUBLIC REPRESENTATIONS TO THE COUNCIL – TO RECEIVE ANY REPRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR

18.1 No representations were received.

19. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

19.1 The minutes of the previous monthly meeting and the AGM were then agreed as a true record.

20. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

20.1 Minute 6.1 Councillor Draper is unhappy with the trees that RCT planted at the community orchard and will contact Maria Toogood for advice.

20.2 Minute 12.1 It was RESOLVED: that the Equality and Diversity Policy be renamed Equality, Diversity and Inclusion. The term “he/she is” will also be changed to read “they are”.

20.3 Minute 12.2 Councillor Draper expressed his disappointment in the decision to replace the damaged panel in the bus shelter. It was RESOLVED: that signage be placed there expressing concerns regarding the vandalism and the cost of the replacement will be noted.

21. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

21.1 The Annual Return and Annual Governance Statement were approved.

22. ALLOTMENT UPDATE

22.1 The polytunnel is under construction. A pond is under construction in what will be a wildlife habitat area. A planter box has been made for the accessibility plot and filled with soil. The centre hedge has been trimmed. Mowing and weeding season is underway.

23. OFFICE RENOVATIONS

23.1 The energy efficiency audit and structural survey reports have been received. The clerk reported that she has applied via the SPF grant funding for the costs of the reports.

23.2 A revised business plan has been forwarded to RCT.

24. NEW PLAYAREA

24.1 The clerk reported that there is no update on the playarea or the skateboard park. Borough councillor Roberts is unhappy with the situation and is making enquiries.

25. EVENTS

25.1 A second meeting will be held with Tonyrefail Community Council on Wednesday 19 June to discuss this year’s fireworks display.

25.2 The clerk reported that the Risk Assessment for the Forestry Run is required asap.

25.3 Kim Thomas will provide an ice cream van this year as Mr Creemy has retired.

25.4 First aid cover has been arranged.

25.5 Welcome to our Woods will be in attendance doing bushcraft along with information on the South Wales Lost Peatlands Project.

25.6 It was RESOLVED: that the community council hold a free pantomime for the village. Unfortunately, the GGCA is not suitable, and the clerk will make enquiries with the Rugby Club.

26. CORRESPONDENCE

26.1 A thank you card was read from Ty Hafan for the £500 donation towards their “Big Ambition” project.

26.2 A planning amendment was read and noted regarding Parc Eirin Tonyrefail.

26.3 Correspondence was received from Joanna Bayliss, Families Supporting Families, requesting financial support for an event at Tonyrefail School on 29 June. It was RESOLVED: that a maximum of £200 donation be made towards the cost of a shuttle bus. The clerk was instructed to enquire about this cost.

27. REPORTS / COMPLAINTS

27.1 The bus shelter repair is scheduled to take place on Friday 21 June.

27.2 The nature board information will be forwarded to the designer via Councillor L Price.

27.3 Councillor J Rees reported on the bramble overgrowth along Gelliarael Road. The clerk will report this.

28. FINANCIAL REPORT

28.1	Bank balance as of 31.5.24		£186048.26
28.1a	The Range	Allotment	£3.99
28.1b	Forest Park & Garden	Allotment	£7.78
28.1c	Central Bar & Catering	Disinfectant	£22.08
28.1d	YGG Tonyrefail	Windfarm	£3000
28.1e	The Hwb Abercerdin	Donation	£250
28.1f	A Hancock Hendreforgan	Donation	£250
28.1g	Gallagher	Insurance	£1600.67
28.1h	Ty Hafan	Donation	£500
28.1i	Jason Morgan	Audit	£360
28.1j	Baker Ross	F Run	£103.48
28.1k	Travis Perkins	Alltoment	£207.36
28.1l	Trophies plus Medals	F Run	£243
28.1m	RCT CBC	Community Orchard	£50
28.1n	Hugh Caswell	Energy Audit`	£575
28.1o	Blackmill S Station	Petrol	£7.31

29. ACCOUNTS

29.1	Cheques authorised		
	002733	Dawn Walters	£1312.56
	002734	Huw Jones	£274.56
	002735	Russell Scully	£1150.04

29.2 Bank transactions for May

<u>May Expenditure</u>		
Dawn Walters	£1312.56	Cheque 002733
Huw Jones	£274.56	Cheque 002734
Russell Scully	£1150.04	Cheque 002735
Zoom	£15.59	
HMRC	£836.31	
BT	£50.22	
RCT Council Tax	£121	
The Range	£3.99	
Forest Park & Garden	£7.78	
Central Bar & Catering Supplies	£22.08	
YGG Tonyrefail	£3000	
The Hwb	£250	
A Hancock	£250	
Gallagher	£1600.67	
Ty Hafan	£500	
Jason Morgan	£360	
Baker Ross	£103.48	
Travis Perkins	£207.36	
Trophies plus Medals	£243	
RCT	£50	
John H Caswell	£575	
Blackmill Service Station	£7.31	

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May Income

Allotment Rent	£25
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29.3 Money already earmarked

New Play Area & Skateboard Park	£60000
Bus Shelters	£1962
Events	£18711
Windfarm	£0
S137 Grants	£8000
Allotment	£9333
Office Refurbishment	£59425
Training & Remuneration Payments	£2456
TOTAL	£159887

Commitments

Salaries (including oncosts)	£41346
Unpresented Cheques	£0
TOTAL	£41346

Income not yet received

Windfarm	£5000
Precept	£58341
Allotment & Ground Rent	£1365
TOTAL	£64706

29.4 Bank Reconciliation

Balance @ 31.05.2024	£186048.26
Earmarked + Commitments	£-201233
Income not yet received	£+64706
BAL:	£49521.26

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 10 July 6.30pm at the Council Office.

