Cyngor Cymuned Cilybebyll
Cilybebyll Community Council

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 03 March 2020 at 6:45 pm in the Rhos Community Centre

Presiding Councillor S Williams

Present Councillors D Jones, M Spooner, R Lewis, Y James, I Jones, E Hastings, C Jones, A Melen, L Rees, D Atkins, S Atkins, A Threlfall

Paul Hinder (NPTCBC), G Davies, D Evans & (Rhos FC)

Apologies Councillor A Thomas

176 MINUTE'S SILENCE

Chair welcomed all to the meeting and informed members that unfortunately ex-Cllr Elfed Harries had passed away. A minute's silence was held in his memory.

177 ADVICE FROM PAUL HINDER (NPTCBC) RE: SECTION 106 FUNDING

P Hinder advised members as to the situation regarding the Section 106 Funding for Rhos Park. He stated that the first round of funding of £54,289.00 is currently available and the second round of the same amount will be available as soon as the 38th dwelling is occupied (£108,578.00 in total).

P Hinder stated that members' previous plans for the previously agreed Phase 2 development of Rhos Playground had been approved by NPTCBC and could now go ahead. Members were pleased with this. RESOLVED noted.

The Phase 2 of Rhos Playground project will use £37,312.00 of the first instalment with £16,977.00 remaining. During the Project Committee Meeting (minute ref:174) a Play End Wall with goal-end, basketball hoop and cricket wickets was considered. A quote from Sutcliffe Play was received for this project totalling £16,347.00. This quote included the Play End Wall plus drainage and tarmac area with line markings. P Hinder suggested that this project could be actioned with the remainder of the first instalment (if the council wished to go ahead with this). RESOLVED that this potential project and plans be discussed in detail during the next meeting of the Project Committee.

P Hinder stated that the second instalment of the Section 106 funding could be used to create an all-year-round, multi-purpose track for BMX bikes, Scooters, Roller Blades and Skateboards that could replace the current dirt BMX track. Members thought this was a good idea but the polyethylene track would need to sit on a tarmac base. The quote received from Suttcliffe Play for the base and 6.5m x 6m track was £40,673.00. Larger tracks are available, but this would cost in the region of £50,000.00. Members were concerned that this would use up most of the second instalment of the Section 106 funding. Cllr R Lewis also stated that as the current BMX track is on contaminated soil (safe to play on but not to

grow vegetables) it would have to be safely removed. P Hinder suggested that the soil could be used as a base, under the tarmac or pushed to one end to be used as a viewing platform to avoid removing the soil. Members agreed that this was a good idea. RESOLVED that this potential project and plans be discussed in detail during the next meeting of the Project Committee.

P Hinder stated that the jogging/running track would not be feasible as there is not enough space around the current football pitch. RESOLVED that this potential project be shelved.

Chair thanked P Hinder for his attendance and his detailed advice.

178 RHOS FC

Three members of Rhos FC were in attendance. They stated that they were not going to ask for any of the Section 106 funding earmarked for Rhos Park as D Evans had discovered that Persimmon have a funding pot of £250,000.00 for Sports Clubs (nothing to do with the current development at Rhos).

The representatives went on to explain that they had received an estimate for the development of the field next to Rhos Park as a basic football pitch with drainage. This would cost between £67,000.00 - £89,000.00. They would also have changing rooms built as part of this project.

G Davies went on to explain that he had met with D Phillips (NPTCBC Estates) in order to ascertain the possibility of leasing the field. D Phillips had stated that Rhos FC would be able to lease the land on a long-term agreement with NPTCBC. In order to secure funding from Persimmon, a letter stating that NPTCBC would agree to a lease would be needed. G Davies stated that he had contacted D Phillips for a letter on numerous occasions but to no avail. Cllr M Spooner stated that she will speak to D Phillips on behalf of Rhos FC. RESOLVED noted.

It was stated that in order to complete the works necessary on the land, access through Rhos Park would be necessary. It was noted that if the council go ahead with the Play End Wall project, this could make it difficult for large machinery to enter the field from the park. RESOLVED that this matter be considered further in the next meeting of the Project Committee.

Members were very pleased with the progress Rhos FC have made with regards to this potential project and stated that they will support any grant application with a letter of support. Members also noted that a second pitch would take the pressure off of the main football pitch at Rhos Park and therefore the maintenance needs of the goalmouths may be slightly reduced. RESOLVED noted.

Chair thanked the representatives for attending the meeting and keeping the council informed of developments.

179 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr C Jones declared an interest in item 8 – Planning Applications due to his role as Planning Committee Member at NPTCBC.

180 MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF COUNCIL

Clerk stated that minute 171 should be amended, this should read "…Loren Dykes' MBE for her achievements with Welsh football". RESOLVED that the remainder of the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Council held on 04 February 2020 be confirmed as a correct record.

181 MATTERS ARISING

Further to Minute 160 South Wales Woodturners - Clerk reported that she had spoken to the Woodturners and they are happy with the plans for swapping rooms. They stated that they will need special fluorescent tubing in the light fittings. RESOLVED that Clerk contact companies that have already given quotes in order to have this cost added. Clerk reported that she is awaiting a date for a visit from Hayes Electrical. Clerk read response from Mrs J Round (Alltwen Heels WI) which explained that the group would prefer to move into the hall due to the fact that their numbers are growing. They would like to keep their storage cupboards etc. Cllr Y James suggested that instead of making the old Woodturning room into a small meeting room, that this be utilised as a storage area for all groups. Council meetings as well as the WI could then meet in the main hall. Members thought this was a good idea. RESOLVED noted.

Further to Minute 169 BMX Track – Clerk read out response from Dragon Play stating that they would offer a donation of £500.00 towards track repairs as an end to the matter of drainage. Members stated that it was poor workmanship and the track is not fit for purpose. Members suggested that Clerk go back to One Voice Wales to ask for further advice. It was suggested that whilst completing reports on the playgrounds, that ROSPA also provide a report on the BMX track. RESOLVED noted.

182 FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

RESOLVED that the following accounts be approved for payment –

182B-185B)	Staff	Wages, Expenses)	2153.66
186B)	City & County of Swansea	Pension Contributions)	894.99
187B	HMRC	Income Tax and NI	492.18
188B	Corona Energy	Gas: Alltwen CC	411.20
189B	Amazon Business	First Aid Kits: Rhos CC & Alltwen CC	49.27
190D	SSE	Electric: Alltwen CC	275.23
191B	SSE	Electric: Rhos CC	405.39
192B	Lliw Building Supplies	Nuts, bolts, screws, work trousers	71.35
193B	One Voice Wales	Membership Renewal	742.00
194B	Cotton & Sons	Wheelie bin bags & refuse bags: Alltwen CC	33.53
195B	Avanti Gas	Gas: Rhos CC	347.80

RESOLVED that the following receipts be noted –

1	Alltwen CC	February Income	473.00
2	Rhos CC	January Income	840.00
3	Rhos FC	January Income PF	129.00

RESOLVED that the sum of £5,750.00 be transferred from the Council's Business Banking Account to its Current Account.

183 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

RESOLVED that no objection be made to the following application –

20/0119 Single storey rear extension 189 Delffordd, Rhos SA8 3EW

RESOLVED that members would like to raise a concern with regards to the following application –

20/0136 TPO Gellinudd Hospital, Gellinudd SA8 3DX

Members would like it noted that cutting trees down at this time of year could negatively affect nesting birds.

RESOLVED that Clerk forward decisions to NPT CBC.

184 MAINTENANCE

Quote for Pitch Maintenance: Clerk reported that she had received a quote from Ecosolve for pitch maintenance. RESOLVED that this be revisited in the next meeting of council once Clerk has checked whether new tenders need to be acquired.

Fallen tree at Gwynfryn Park: Clerk reported that a tree had fallen down over the path through Gwynfryn Park during the recent storms. The handyman reported it to her as he could not move it himself as it was too big. Clerk contacted Glantawe Landscapes for removal. Tree has now been removed safely. RESOLVED noted.

185 COMMUNITY CENTRE MANAGEMENT

First Aid Kits: Clerk reported that the new wall-mounted first aid kits have now been installed at both community centres. Cllr D Atkins suggested sending the old kits for re-cycling. RESOLVED noted.

Clerk reported that she had received a call from the caretaker of Rhos Community Centre as there had been a query raised over charging for cancelled sessions at the hall. Clerk stated that cancellations should usually be received with 24 hours notice in order that the caretaker can have the opportunity to deep clean and polish floors. The hirer cancelled at the time of hire and questioned the decision to charge her for the time as she had not signed an agreement that

reflected this. RESOLVED that Clerk draft a hall-user agreement and that the hirer not be charged for the cancelled session on this occasion.

It was suggested that notices be placed in both Community Centres regarding Coronavirus. RESOLVED that Clerk put together an advice sheet following NHS and Government guidelines.

186 POLICE AND PACT MATTERS

Cllrs M Spooner, C Jones and D Jones reported that they attended the PACT meeting in Rhos Community Centre on 26 February 2020. They stated that there was one member of the public also in attendance. They spoke to the PCSO regarding the Unders at Alltwen and the youths congregating there. PCSO suggested getting a galvanised steel bin in order to encourage the youths to use the bins. They also stated that the Police would prefer the youths to keep using the Unders to congregate as they know where they are and it keeps them away from other areas where they could cause further problems. They suggested that fencing-off the Unders, as previously mentioned by council, would only further antagonise the youths and may lead them to vandalise the Community Centre or cars parked in the car park etc. RESOLVED that the situation be monitored and that the caretaker phone the Police if there are any further problems.

187 CO-OPTION OF NEW MEMBER OF COUNCIL

After careful consideration of all applications and a private vote, it was RESOLVED that R Stephens be co-opted as member for Gellinudd Ward, Cilybebyll Community Council.

188 PROJECT COMMITTEE

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Project Committee meeting on 19 February be confirmed as a correct record.

RESOLVED that the next meeting of the Project Committee be arranged after the next full meeting of council.

189 CORRESPONDENCE

RESOLVED that the following items of correspondence be noted –

1	Taibach Community Library	Afternoon Tea Party
2	PRS	New Local Authority Charges
3	Social Farms & Gardens	Cilybebyll Community Growers Award
4	Sgt. D Thomas (SWP)	Response re: Alltwen Unders
5	L Johnson	Rhos Community Centre

2 RESOLVED that charges will be paid as per new charges leaflet.

3 RESOLVED that Clerk forward information to Sue Smith, Cilybebyll Community Growers.

5 RESOLVED that Clerk respond stating that no charge will be required for late cancellation on this occasion and that a new hall-user agreement will need to be signed.

190 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

Branches at Lon Tanyrallt: Cllr C Jones stated that before works begin on the Play End Wall at Lon Tanyrallt Park, branches will need to be cut. RESOLVED that this be discussed in the next meeting of the Project Committee and the Clerk obtain 3 quotes.

Field Drain Blockage: Cllr R Lewis reported that the field drain next to the old Mans at Cilybebyll Church is spilling out onto the road as it is missing the culvert. RESOLVED that Clerk report this to NPTCBC.

Polling Station: Chair reported that the Polling Station for Alltwen has been moved from the vestry of Capel Alltwen to St John's Church, Alltwen. Members are interested to know why this decision was made. RESOLVED that Clerk contact NPTCBC for an explanation.

Trees behind Alltwen Chapel: Chair reported that the trees behind Alltwen Chapel are again losing branches. The trees are on land owned by The Butchers Pub. RESOLVED that the situation be monitored.

The meeting ended at 9:15pm.

Signed Dated 07 April 2020