Cyngor Cymuned Cilybebyll
Cilybebyll Community Council

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Council held Remotely via *Zoom*, on Tuesday 01 June 2021 at 7:00 pm

Presiding Councillor M Spooner

Present Councillors C Jones, A Melen, Y James, I Jones, R Lewis, R Stephens, E Hastings, D Jones

Apologies Councillors D Atkins, S Atkins, L Rees, A Thomas, A Threlfall

45 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllrs M Spooner and C Jones declared an interest in item 6 Planning Applications. RESOLVED.

46 MINUTES OF THE AGM AND MONTHLY MEETING OF COUNCIL

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the AGM and Monthly Meeting of Council held online on 04 May 2021 be confirmed as correct records.

47 MATTERS ARISING

Further to Minute 34 Matters Arising – Clerk reported that she is still liaising with Shelley Signs and looking into funding options for the project. RESOLVED noted.

Further to Minute 34 Matters Arising – Clerk reported that a meeting was held in conjunction with Ystalyfera Community Council to discuss options for a memorial for the 10th Anniversary of the Gleision disaster. It was suggested that a wooden carved bench with miners in the back should be commissioned. Members agreed that this project should go ahead. RESOLVED noted.

Further to Minute 34 Matters Arising – Cllr R. Lewis reported that there is a Dram available from Nant Helen Open Cast site. He will visit the dram to carry out works before arranging its transportation to Rhos Park where it will need sandblasting. Cllr D Jones offered to take Cllr R. Lewis to Nant Helen to inspect the dram. Cllr R Lewis hopes to have it ready for the 10th Anniversary of the Gleision disaster as a memorial piece in Rhos Park. Cllr R Lewis suggested that the Clerk write a letter to Celtic Energy, Nant Helen in order to officially ask for the dram. RESOLVED noted.

Further to Minute 41 Maintenance Plan for Rhos Playing Fields, Clerk reported that works have now been completed and that the pitch will be ready for matches at the end of July. RESOLVED noted.

Further to Minute 42 Correspondence - Clerk reported that Handyperson has visited the rear of Edward Street, Alltwen and has ascertained that the trees in

question are on the red and green hatched area on the map. This would mean that although the land is owned by the Community Council, that NPTCBC are responsible for maintenance of this land. Clerk to look into this further. RESOLVED noted.

Further to Minute 43 Any other urgent business – Clerk reported that although the tyre on the zip-wire in Lon Tanyrallt Park is squashed, it is still functional and should not fail ROSPA inspection. Clerk stated that ROSPA will be coming out to inspect during June/July and if there is a problem with the tyre, they will highlight it. RESOLVED noted.

48 FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

RESOLVED that the following accounts be approved for payment –

36B-39B)	Staff	Wages, Expenses)	2701.82
40B	City & County of Swansea	Pension Contributions	889.14
41B	HMRC	Income Tax and NI	304.33
42D	NPTCBC	Non-dom Rates: Alltwen CC	342.00
43D	NPTCBC	Non-dom Rates: Rhos CC	380.00
44B	Corona Energy	Gas: Alltwen CC	0.00
45B	Avanti	Gas: Rhos CC	199.20
46B	One Voice Wales	Membership Renewal	785.00
47B	SSE	Electric: Rhos CC	249.27
48D	SSE	Electric: Alltwen CC	133.00
49B	Online Playgrounds Ltd	Wetpour Repair Kits (approx..)	474.00
50B	Fergusons & Peters	Internal Audit	720.00
51B	Wayne Duggan	Fertiliser, herbicide etc: Rhos PF	737.00
52B	Ecosolve	Verti-quake: Rhos PF	613.20
53B	Amazon Business	Stationery: Printer inks	48.00

Income:	NPTCBC	Rhos CC (Elections)	70.00

Transfer: Authority to transfer the sum of £ 8,500.00 from the Council's Business Banking Account to its Current Account was requested. RESOLVED.

49 ANNUAL RETURN 2020-21

Clerk reported that Ferguson Peters had completed the internal audit. No issues raised. Clerk presented financial statement, annual return and explanation of variances to council.

Annual Return 2020-21 approved by full council and signed by RFO (Clerk) and Chair immediately following the meeting. RESOLVED.

50 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

As Chair had to leave the meeting due to declaration of interest, Cllr Y James stepped in to Chair planning applications. RESOLVED.

RESOLVED that no objection be made to the following applications –

P2021/0419	Single storey rear extension. Works include the demolition of an existing conservatory.	10 Ashwood Drive, Gellinudd SA8 3HL
P2021/0197	Proposed single storey side extensions to bungalow.	83 Delffordd, Rhos SA8 3EJ
P2021/0351	Two storey rear extension with single storey side extension and a proposed detached garage (Amended drawings received 29 April 2021).	13 Derwen Road, Alltwen SA8 3AU
P2021/0457	Proposed demolition and replacement of existing single storey rear extension, and erection of new single storey side extension.	140 Lon Tanyrallt, Alltwen SA8 3AS
P2021/0508	Non-material amendment to Planning Permission P2018/0577 - Alterations and conversion of existing garage to living accommodation including replacement parking, plus single storey rear extension with raised decking and balcony area, plus single storey side extension Approved on 24.8.18 - Alterations to shed to the side of property including setting back from front elevation, reduction of size, removal of roof lights, alterations to doors and windows.	41 Lon Y Wern, Alltwen SA8 3BJ
P2021/0586	TPO	40B Derwen Road, Alltwen SA8 3AY

RESOLVED that Clerk forward decisions to NPT CBC.

51 MAINTENANCE

See-saw at Lon Tanyrallt Park: Clerk reported that the Handyperson has inspected the see-saw and reported that one of the springs has broken. Handyman has taped off the see-saw. Clerk contacted Wicksteed and they will come out to inspect and repair as necessary. RESOLVED noted.

Playgrounds: Clerk reported that the Handyperson is carrying out minor works on playgrounds before the next ROSPA inspection. Surface repair kits will be arriving on Thursday of this week. They are large tubs of surfacing that should last a couple of years for minor repairs. RESOLVED noted.

52 COMMUNITY CENTRE MANAGEMENT

Clerk reported that both centres have now re-opened in line with Welsh Government guidelines. RESOLVED noted.

Clerk reported that not all groups have decided to return as yet but there are some new groups in Alltwen Community Centre. Members were pleased with this. RESOLVED noted.

Clerk reported that all payments for hire of Community Centres are now made by BACS or cheque. RESOLVED noted.

Alltwen Commmunity Centre: Clerk reported that she will speak to the Handyperson to find out if he could build a partition wall in the centre before getting quotes from a contractor. Members thought this was a good idea. RESOLVED noted.

53 KNOTWEED TREATMENT – RHOS PARK

Clerk reported that she had received correspondence regarding knotweed at Rhos Park that is spreading towards the boundary next to the houses. A resident was concerned that this may enter his property. Clerk has contacted NPTCBC Knotweed Removal Team for a quote on treatment of this knotweed. She is awaiting the quote. RESOLVED noted.

54 CORRESPONDENCE

RESOLVED that the following items of correspondence be noted –

1	Cllr S Williams	Resignation
2	D Joyce	Water Supply for Allotments
3	G Lane	Knotweed at Rhos Park
4	I Addison (CISS)	Thanks for donation
5	Cllr A Threlfall	Donation to Diabetes UK
6	NPTCBC	A4067
7	G Davies (Rhos FC)	Pavilion Roof

1 RESOLVED that Cllr S Williams' resignation be accepted. Members congratulated Cllr S Williams for being elected as an MS and wished her well for her future in the Senedd. RESOLVED that Clerk advertise vacancy.

2 D Joyce suggested that a hose be taken from the Pavilion to fill up the water tanks at the allotments as it would be easy to work out the cost of this as the tanks hold 1,000 litres. The Community Growers could then pay council for the water. Members thought this was a good idea. RESOLVED noted.

5 Cllr A Threlfall emailed the Clerk to request that the donation previously agreed in memory of ex-Cllr G Threlfall be donated to Diabetes UK. RESOLVED that £50 be donated.

6 NPTCBC emailed Clerk to state that City & County of Swansea should be dealing with the safety issues on the A4067. Clerk has already sent a letter to City & County of Swansea. RESOLVED that Cllr C Jones raise the issue again with NPTCBC Highways department.

7 G Davies reported that the pavilion roof is leaking. They have received a quote of approx. £3,000 in order to repair/replace the roof. RESOLVED that Clerk check lease to ascertain who is responsible for the maintenance of the building before any works are costed and carried out.

55 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

Cllr R Lewis stated that he had noticed that people were sitting on the grass bank at Rhos Park due to the lack of benches. He suggested that 2 recycled plastic benches, similar to the ones already there be purchased. Members thought this was a good idea. Clerk suggested that Section 106 funds could be used to purchase the benches. Members agreed. RESOLVED noted.

Cllr C Jones stated that he hopes to arrange a Community Daffodil Planting project. He stated that Tesco are prepared to support the scheme. He hopes to plant between 5,000 – 10,000 bulbs throughout the area. Cllr C Jones stated that he has not costed the project as yet but hopes to do this over the coming weeks. Members thought this was a lovely idea and supported the proposed project. RESOLVED noted.

With regards to the BMX track at Rhos Park, Clerk reported that she had contacted Matt Broome (West Wales Trails) in order to find out what type of BMX track they could design and install for around £20,000. He will visit the site over the coming weeks. Members were pleased with this. RESOLVED noted.

The meeting ended at 7:50pm.

Signed Dated 06 July 2021