

**Gwernyfed Community Council**  
**Minutes of Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> October 2020**  
**Over a Virtual Zoom Meeting**

Community Councillors Present

Mr Mike Bugler (Chair)  
Mr Peter Varcoe  
Mrs Margaret David  
Mr Andy Jones  
Mr Grahame Day

Also in attendance County Councillor James Evans and Mrs Keren Bender (Clerk)

**1. Opening Comments**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**2. Declarations of Interest**

Cllr James Evans Agenda item 9, Pollution from Poultry Units

**3. Apologies**

Cllrs Carol Wheeler, David Edlin and Eric Hoole.

**4. Minutes of the meeting held on the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020**

The minutes were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chair.

**5. Matters Arising**

Awaiting an update on allotment start-up.

Correspondence has been sent to Ann Weedy of Natural Recourses Wales concerning a pollution incident at Afon Llynf, awaiting response.

Request for funding received from Glasbury Arts, it was agreed to support with a £400 donation.

**6. Correspondence and Information**

**a.** Correspondence received from Jo Lancey of Powys County Council in response to a letter sent to her asking when the new speed signs would be erected. She

explained there was a backlog because of the difficult times we are in, however as soon as it was possible, they would be erected. Clerk to acknowledge the response.

**Action Clerk**

b. Free Community Sessions information sheet from the Connecting Generation Project. Councillor Mr Grahame Day to attend.

**Action Clerk**

## **7. Planning Matters**

Decision Notice 20/1088/HH Construction of a single storey extension at Gwernyfed Avenue has been approved.

## **8. Enforcement Complaint Update**

Powys County Council has informed the Community Council that an investigation is underway concerning the enforcement complaint with reference to Pentwyn Dingle Rural Campsite. Awaiting the outcome.

## **9. Pollution from Poultry Units**

Councillor Andrew Jones prepared a letter for discussion to be forwarded to the Leader and Portfolio Holder with concerns around pollution from poultry units that may impact in the Community Council area. Following an in-depth discussion, it was agreed the Clerk would forward the letter.

**Action Cllr Jones  
and Clerk**

## **10. Footpath from Three Cocks to Felindre**

Following a discussion around a complaint received from a resident concerning the poor access to the footpath from Three Cocks to Felindre, it was agreed to informally speak to the landowner, and depending on the outcome further action could be taken with the Rights of Way Officer from Powys County Council.

**Action Chair**

## **11. AGM Process**

The Clerk explained the process for the AGM, including the date of the meeting and access to the meeting by the general public. It was agreed that the AGM would take place on the 3rd November 2020, the notice would include instructions to residents on how they could join the meeting, which will take place over Zoom. Notice to be placed on the website and on Community Notice Boards.

**Action Clerk**

## **12. County Councillors Report**

Councillor James Evans reported that a commitment had been given for a new Gwernyfed Secondary provision in the area.

Powys County Council had declared a climate change emergency

Holiday home providers and second home owners will face a 75% increase in council tax.

### **13. Community Council Website Update**

CLlr Day explained the website to Councillors who said they were impressed with the template. The Clerk and a number of Councillors will be trained to administer the website, where it will work in parallel to the existing website until the new website is established.

A formal motion was put forward to establish a new website, this was agreed by all.

### **14. Financial Matters.**

#### **Bank Balances**

Bank Balances of the Current and Reserve Accounts were reported to the meeting.

### **15. Invoices for approval**

It was agreed to approve the following for payment.

- a) Glasbury Arts
- b) Zoom Meeting
- c) Penyrheol Baptist

### **16. Audit Update**

The clerk reported the External Auditor had been in contact to explain the audit process had commenced and furnished the Community Council with the notice inviting the general public to examine the Community Councils books. The notice has been placed on the website.

Next meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2020 at 7:30pm  
Preceded by the AGM at 7.00pm  
This will be a Zoom Meeting.

