

**Gwernyfed Community Council**  
**Minutes of Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 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  
Mrs Carol Wheeler  
Mr Eric Hoole

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**

Cllrs Carol Wheeler and Margaret David - Agenda item 6b Funding request from Felindre Village Hall Committee

**3. Apologies**

Cllr David Edlin

**4. Minutes of the meeting held on the 6<sup>th</sup> October 2020**

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

**5. Matters Arising**

Footpath from Three Cocks to Felindre - Cllr Evans to pursue.

**. Enforcement Complaint Update**

Powys County Council informed the Community Council the enforcement complaint with reference to Pentwyn Dingle Rural Campsite had concluded . Following an investigation, the Planning Department reported they were content that no further action was needed and that the owner was working within the legislative framework.

## **6. Correspondence and Information**

**a.** Information received from Brecon Advice Centre. -Noted

**b.** Two requests for financial support received from Felindre Village Hall Committee.

The first request was for the annual grant towards the running and upkeep of the Hall- the request was supported.

The second request was for a grant towards necessary repairs to the fences of the Pound Field. It was agreed to support the request however the Community Council will require a forward financial plan from the Committee if further funding for the Pound Field should be requested.

**c.** Letters received from Glasbury Arts and Penyrheol Chapel acknowledging, with thanks, the donations made to them by the Community Council.

## **7. Planning Matters**

Application 20/1673/HH Construction of a two-storey extension at Gwernyfed Avenue. Noted with no objections.

## **8. Pollution from Poultry Units**

The Portfolio Holder of Powys County Council, Cllr James Evans responded to the letter sent to him with concerns around pollution from poultry units that may impact in the Community Council area. The reply stated where planning applications are received for such developments, they must by law be determined in line with the policies of the Powys Local Development Plan and have regard to other material planning considerations.

## **9. WIFI access to Meeting Halls**

It was agreed that both the Halls and the Community Council would benefit from WIFI, with the Community Council contributing to funding it. Following discussions, it was agreed to obtain quotes for two methods of accessing WIFI. These being mobile phone coverage and using a phone line. Quotes to be discussed at a future meeting.

**Action Cllrs Jones & Day.**

## **10. Brecon Foodbank Report**

Cllr Bugler reported since March there had been an increase of 200% in those using the Foodbank. Tesco and Morrison have given amazing support with the volunteers being overwhelmed by the generosity of all those who had donated. The bank account had also kept pace from donations.

## **11. Grit Bin – Dan-y-Lan**

Cllr Evans in discussions with the Highways Department to source a grit bin.

## 12. County Councillors Report

Cllr Evans reported it had been very quiet since the Circuit Break had been announced. Capital funding had been agreed for Glasbury Bridge. He also reported he had left the Cabinet but remains a County Councillor.

## 13. Community Council Website Update

Cllr Day reported that the template for the website was being trailed and as soon as it was completed with glitches addressed, Gwernyfed website would be rolled out.

## 14. Pollution Incident at Afon Llynf

Natural Resources Wales responded to the letter sent by the Community Council with concerns and questions around the pollution incident at Afon Llynf. Following a debate, it was agreed that the Community Council were disappointed with the response and further correspondence to be sent to NRW. Cllr Jones to circulate an email for comments prior to the Clerk forwarding it to NRW.

**Action Cllr Jones & Clerk**

## 15. Financial Matters.

### Bank Balances

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

## 16. Invoices for approval

It was agreed to approve the following for payment.

- a) Pavo
  - b) Zoom Meeting
  - c) 2 cheques for Felindre Village Hall
- All payments were approved

Next meeting 1<sup>st</sup> December 2020 at 7:30pm  
This will be a Zoom Meeting.

