

MAESYCWMMER COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Maesycwmmmer Community Council held at the Maesycwmmmer Old Age Pensioners Hall on Thursday, 26th September 2019 at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT

Councillors: Mrs M Harries, Mr A Joynes and Miss J Rao.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Mrs R. Kedward (Clerk)
Gwent Police – A Morgan

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr R Woodyatt
Mrs E.E.A. Jones
Mrs D Williams
Cllr V James

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

1626. **MINUTES**

The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on the 25th July 2019 were confirmed as a true record.

1627. **ROAD SAFETY, POLICE and COMMUNITY LIAISON**

It was stated that the Police database was down and so there was no report available, however, there were no serious crimes that needed to be reported. Cllr Joynes reported that he had found a knife in the woods amongst furniture and other dumped items. The Police confirmed that fly tipping was becoming an issue in some areas due to the Council's charges for collecting items. Cllr Joynes explained he had removed the knife so as to keep it from harming children who could have found it. The Police stated there was a knife amnesty bin in Ystrad Mynach Police Station where it could be safely disposed of.

1628. **MATTERS ARISING**

Cllr Harries agreed to check with Cllr Williams regarding catering for the Lantern Parade and Remembrance Sunday. The Clerk confirmed that invitations had been sent for the Remembrance Service and the notice was printed ready to put in local shops. The Rev. George had also kindly agreed to officiate, and the hall had been booked with Jean Davies. The Clerk confirmed that wreaths had been ordered on behalf of the

Council and School, and that the Cadets had agreed to help with the lamppost poppies this year.

Cllr Harries informed the meeting that Major Kelly McGuffie, a new resident in the village would like to attend and the Clerk agreed to send a formal invite. The Clerk explained that Anna Lewis from WHQS was also attending in order to meet with residents after the ceremony.

The Clerk confirmed that the Community Centre was booked for the Lantern Parade for 6th December, which was also the date for switching on the Christmas Lights. Santa's sleigh was booked, and the school informed of the date.

The Clerk enquired if there were any additions to the Christmas lights needed. It was agreed to purchase some more lights for the tree. The Clerk agreed to arrange this.

1629. **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Clerk reported that a number of documents had been forwarded to Councillors by email and requested that Councillors contact her if any action was required.

1630. **REPORT OF THE CLERK, MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS AND COMMITTEES.**

The Clerk reported that the Annual Return had been received from External Audit stating that the information submitted was in accordance with proper practices with no matters that were a cause for concern and no recommendations for improvement. This was approved and accepted.

The Clerk reported that Chris Evans MP had kindly donated £100 cheque to the Community Council for Play Scheme. Unfortunately, due to being on holidays he was unable to attend the Play Scheme talent show and so the Clerk was dropping in to collect it from him. However, it was agreed that a formal thankyou could be given to Chris after the Remembrance Service in the OAP hall.

The Clerk explained that the Council laptop was switching itself off in the middle of work and displaying battery life warnings. It had been slow for some time and she had contacted the previous Clerk to enquire how old it was. It was thought to be over 7 years old and it was agreed to purchase a new one. The Clerk agreed to organise.

1631. **FINANCE**

The Clerk reported that payments for this month (including August) totalled £6769.03 and these were approved and signed on the monthly payment schedule.

A remittance from CCBC had been received stating that a payment of £9150.00 was to be paid into the CC's bank account which was the second half of the precept. In addition to this £5.30 interest had been received making the total income £9155.30. Current balance were £71693.50 including CIL of £48,349.81.

The Clerk distributed copies of the final budget for Playscheme 2019 and an update of the Annual Budget. These were discussed and approved.

1632. **PLANNING**

Case Ref 19/0630/FULL

12 Lon Rhymni, Gelli-haf, Pontllanfraith. NP12 2QZ

Erect Edwardian conservatory to rear of dwelling.

Noted.

Case Ref 19/0675/CLPU

Bryn Siriol, 73 Main Road, Maesycwmmmer, CF82 7PP

Obtain a lawful development certificate for a proposed extension to existing kitchen.

Noted.

Case Ref 19/0766/LA

27 Glen View, Maesycwmmmer, CF82 7PX

Provide a 3m vertical lift in the front garden from the existing hard standing to the front access of property.

Noted.

1633. **MEMBERS MATTERS**

None.