

MAESYCWMMER COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Maesycwmmmer Community Council held at the Maesycwmmmer Old Age Pensioners Hall on Thursday, 26th July 2018 at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT

Councillors: Mr D Cocks, Mrs M Harries, Mrs E.E.A. Jones, Mr A Joynes, Miss J Rao, Mrs D Williams, Mr C Williams and Mr R. Woodyatt.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Mrs R. Kedward (Clerk), CSO Morgan, PC 1432 George, Cllr V. James.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

PC Ellis

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

1533. **MINUTES**

The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on the 28th June 2018 were confirmed as a true record.

1534. **MATTERS ARISING**

Cllr Woodyatt announced that that the funding application for the new memorial had been approved and so the plans would be proceeding.

The clerk reminded everyone that Lisa James (CCBC) would be attending the next meeting to discuss the CIL payment.

The gift and evening for G Thomas was discussed. Chris Evans had indicated he would like to attend and the Clerk agreed to invite Rhiannon Passmore also. Cllr Woodyatt suggested a date in September or October. Cllr Harries agreed to make enquiries regarding venues.

It was reported that the spikes previously reported to CCBC were still there. The Clerk reported that she had chased this up and had been informed that Park Services had visited the area but could not find them, the Clerk had said she would meet a member of the team at the site to point them out and was told that they would re-visit and let her know if this was necessary. The Clerk agreed to chase this up again. The Clerk had received confirmation from G Davies in Park Services that the gates to the football field were to be pressure washed in the next few weeks.

Cllr Rao said she would be attending the One Voice Wales AGM in Builth Wells. Cllr Rao was re-appointed as the delegate for the Community Council.

There was further discussion regarding the Remembrance Sunday Service regarding invites and other tasks for the Clerk to undertake.

1535. **ROAD SAFETY, POLICE and COMMUNITY LIAISON**

PC George introduced himself and announced he would be taking over from PC Ellis. A report was provided outlining the crime figures for Maesycwmmmer. There were 44 incidents, of which 22 were transport related. Of 7 actual crimes reported there were 2 in the criminal damage category, 1 vehicle crime, 1 theft and 3 violent crimes. It was noted that the heavy flow of traffic on the main road would have again, contributed to the incidents.

Cllr Vincent James raised the problem of high numbers of motorists speeding through the village and using it as a shortcut and called for speed cameras to be used on Tabor Road. Cllr C Williams agreed and said the cameras should be used at peak traffic times to be effective. Cllr Woodyatt raised the issue of motorists speeding through Pandy Lane onto Park Road and Vale View. Correspondence had been received from a resident also voicing concern. Cllr Woodyatt noted that this was not a new issue and had been a concern for many years. Cllr Vincent James agreed that traffic emerges from Pandy Lane at a far higher speed than is suitable for the village and felt that a Police presence would help. PC George agreed that tackling speeding was a priority for Maesycwmmmer and would arrange for a speed gun to be positioned at the exit of Pandy Lane at peak times.

1536. **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.

1537. **REPORT OF THE CLERK, MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS AND COMMITTEES.**

The Clerk reported that the Community Council had been successful in obtaining the grant for £2440 from the National Lottery Awards for All for Play Scheme.

The Clerk reported that Play Scheme was running well. Chris Evans MP had been to visit, and an article was to be published by the CCBC communications team. The Play Leader and Play Workers were doing an excellent job. Upcoming activities included The Slime Factory, a pirate treasure hunt, picnic in the park, Elliott Dee from the Gwent Dragons visiting, Agelki Polski (CCBC) undertaking nature workshops, KLA dance studios visiting and a gardening project in the raised beds outside the community centre. A trip to GO Air had been arranged for the last week as well as a visit from the Animal Road Show, a fund day and a talent show.

The Clerk reported that unfortunately there had been some issues with the Community Centre with regards to the fire drill and the kitchen area. Cllr Vincent James was dealing with the issues.

The Clerk reported that she had contacted the Rotary regarding Santa's Sleigh for the Lantern Parade and was waiting to hear back.

The Clerk confirmed that Cllr Whitcombe and Chris Evans MP had accepted invitations to Remembrance Sunday. Cllr Whitcombe had said he would try to find out about obtaining a portable flag pole for the service.

The Clerk also confirmed that she had booked places for Cllr Joynes, Rao and Woodyatt for the Ystrad Mynach Master Plan meeting on 5th September at 5pm in Ty Penallta.

1538. **FINANCE**

Payments made by the Clerk under delegated powers were reported.

1539. **PLANNING**

Case Ref: 18/0598/ADV Site Area:105m
China Diner 58 Main Road Maesywmmmer, CF82 7PP
Erect light box sign that only illuminates lettering.
Noted.

Case Ref: 18/0598/ADV Site Area:105m
China Diner 58 Main Road Maesywmmmer, CF82 7PP
Replace shop front to include external canopy and associated housing unit.
Noted.

Case Ref: 18/0600/RET Site Area: 262m
2 Viaduct View Court Victoria Road, Maesywmmmer, CF82 7GX
Retain change of use of land to additional residential; amenity area for dwelling.
Noted.

1540. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

A number of emails received from a resident regarding traffic using Pandy Lane were discussed. It was agreed as earlier, there was an issue, however the Community Council have no powers with regards to high way matters. As such it was agreed to refer any further complaints to the Police and Cllr V James.

Cllr V James said that he had already had a number of meetings with senior officers from CCBC regarding the concerns. Signs in the village had been erected at his request. Cllr V James said he would be responding to the resident, explaining the Community Councils limitations of power of such matters and that hopefully speed control measures would be a way forward.

Cllr V James addressed the issues raised regarding the Community Centre and said that the management committee needed new/more members. Cllr V James said there would be a meeting on 10th September and an AGM was planned for October. He requested Cllrs to consider attending.

Cllr V James reported that there had been a complaint regarding the Velathon and the inconvenience it had posed to the village. However, it was felt that the majority of residents thoroughly enjoyed the event and it had proved very popular.

Maesycwmmmer was reported to have had the biggest turn out along the route outside of the cities. Cllr Woodyatt reported that the Velathon would be taking place in North Wales next year and so would not cause a problem for anyone.