

MAESYCWMMER COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Maesycwmmmer Community Council held on Thursday 27th February 2025 at 7:00 pm.

PRESENT

Councillors: Mr L. John, Mrs P. Cory, Mrs M. Harries.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs R. Hares (Clerk), Mr D. Earey, PC Bolton.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr D. White, Mr A. Joynes, Miss J. Rao, Mrs A. Jones, Mrs C. Stockwood-Smith.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

2000. **MINUTES**

The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on the 30th January 2025 were confirmed as a true record.

2001. **ROAD SAFETY, POLICE and COMMUNITY LIAISON**

The police were in attendance and talked through the monthly report.

There had been 12 crimes reported and 3 Anti-Social Behaviour calls.

Cannabis had been seized from an address in the village and this was being investigated.

There had been call for extra police presence in the area due to the protests regarding a resident on the sex offenders register.

There were 4 new Community Support Officers due to join the force in March which would hopefully see a positive impact.

Residents were urged to keep logging instances of parking on pavements on the Main Road and the Police agreed to look into longer term solutions to the issue.

2002. **MATTERS ARISING**

Cllr Harries enquired if there had been any update regarding the Subway. The Clerk stated there had been no contact from CCBC and agreed to make contact.

2003. **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.

2004. **REPORT OF THE CLERK, MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS AND COMMITTEES.**

The Clerk reported that next month's meeting date needed to be moved. She had agreed with the Secretary of the OAP Hall to hold the meeting on 20th March and would issue reminders to all.

The Clerk reported that she had received quotes for the picnic benches in the park. 1 bench would cost £2,395 for supply and installation and 2 benches would cost £4,754.

The Clerk reminded Councillors that CIL funds of at least £1,957 needed to be spent by June 2025 and pointed out that of the current CIL balance of £10,089.35 there would still be plenty left to facilitate the potential new bus stop which had been quoted at £4,000.

Both options were considered, and it was agreed to go ahead with the purchase of 2 picnic benches. The Clerk agreed to liaise with CCBC Park Services to place the order.

Mr Earey queried if a new bin could be purchased to accompany the new benches. The Clerk agreed to make enquiries.

2005. **FINANCE**

The Clerk produced a report for payments. This was considered and payments approved and signed on the monthly payment schedule.

The Clerk reported that the current balance was £27,316.18 less CIL funds of £10,089.35 = £17,226.83.

The Clerk informed Councillors that a new monthly bank fee had been added to the bank account. This was £4.75 for the first month and would be monitored to ensure it stayed around this nominal level.

2006. **PLANNING**

None.

The revised LDP was discussed, and it was noted that two areas in the village were included as areas for further consideration. It was agreed that Councillors felt that neither area was suitable nor aligned with the preferred strategy. Mr Earey had produced a letter to the Welsh Assembly's Chief Planning Officer, which was considered, and it was agreed for the Clerk to send on behalf of the Community Council to outline objections at an early stage.

2007. **MEMBERS MATTERS**

Cllr Harries enquired about the football pitch. Mr Earey produced a drawing of the pitch and explained that the drainage issues could be helped by a ditch / slope around the entire pitch.

The Clerk enquired where the Football Team were with CCBC and if there were any agreements to repair the pitch. Cllr John believed that the team were currently looking to move outside of the village which would be a pity. This was discussed and the Clerk agreed to contact CCBC Parks Services to make enquiries about any planned work, costs, and if there was anything the Community Council could do to help get the pitch back to a playable state.