Coychurch Higher Community Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on

Monday 11th July 2016

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| Present: |  |  |
| Chairman: | Alex Owen | AO |
| Vice Chairman: | \*John Powson | JP |
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| Councillors: | Mike Newth | MN |
|  | Susan Joseph | SJ |
|  | Nan Oram | NO |
| Clerk | Karyl Carter | KC |

Meeting commenced: 1835

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| 1 |  | Apologies: Apologies received and accepted for Cllr Robert Owen. |  |
| 2 |  | Police Matters: no police officer present. The Clerk confirmed receiving an email from PCSO Morgan reporting the following crimes:07/06/16 – Violence against a person – High Street, Heol y Cyw. No reports of ASB or June. Members requested the Clerk email the police expressing their disappointment that no police representative has attended the meeting for many months.MN expressed concern that a serious accident had occurred within CHC’s area but was not reported. The Clerk reported more ‘dumped’ cars in the car park and will supply the details to AL to take to BCBC. | KCAO |
| 3 |  | Declarations of interest: JP – anything pertaining to Leslie Powson and the allotment. SJ and AO – anything pertaining to allotment. |  |
| 4 |  | Minutes: the minutes of the May meeting had been read. They were proposed to be accepted by SJ and this was seconded by MN and agreed. |  |
| 5 |  | Matters arising: |  |
|  | 5:i | Footpaths: The Clerk had hastened again for a response from A Mason (who is waiting to hear from Andrew Jolley) re: the transference of the agency agreement. AO will also take this matter up. Members agreed that the Clerk ask PTC to survey the main footpaths and carry out work as necessary.  | KCAO |
|  | 5:ii | Bethel Graveyard: SJ declared an interest. The Clerk had received the £350 from Bethel Chapel. It was agreed this item be deleted. |  |
|  | 5:iii | BCBC Development of a CAP: AO declared an interest and gave an update to Members confirming the section 38 agreement should be approved very soon. The Rockwool 106 agreement had expired but an extension has been requested. Ms Laura Hawkins from the CAP committee joined the meeting at 1915 and also updated Members. It was proposed by MN that the £1K held in reserves should now be passed to the CAP Committee. This was seconded by SJ and agreed by all (LH left immediately after discussions). It was agreed members would review this matter at the November budget meeting.  |  |
|  | 5:iv | Co-option: It was confirmed that former Borough Councillor Lilian Davies had expressed an interest in the vacancy. MN and/or AO will contact Mrs Davies and ask her to write to the Clerk. | MNAO |
|  | 5:v | Millennium project: the new bench had been fitted. The Clerk asked Members whether consideration should be given to placing a waste bin in this area. Members felt this would be a good idea and requested the Clerk go ahead and order a bin and, on receipt, ask PTC to fit it. | KC |
|  | 5:vi | Publicity/PR: the Clerk had placed copies of the Hyphen yphenH in the Social/Rugby clubs, Plough and Welfare hall and it was agreed this was the most cost effective method of distributing them. Articles are needed for the next issues so if anyone has items of local interest, to pass them to RO or KC asap. JP said he had an item he would contribute. | KCROJP |
|  | 5:vii | Letter from Mrs C Watkins: SJ, AO and JP declared an interest. The Clerk had passed the cheque for £1500 to Mrs Watkins and confirmed a huge amount of work had been completed and continued to take place at the allotment site.  |  |
|  | 5:viii | Waste bin – children’s play area: KC has to finalise setting up an account with the supplier and will then finalise the ordering of the bins. | KC |
|  | 5:ix | Waste bin – High Street: it was agreed this item be deleted. | KC |
|  | 5:x | Storage, Rhaglan Hill: it was agreed to delete. |  |
|  | 5:xi | Christmas Lights Competition: the Clerk confirmed that the winners, Mr Terry Pope and Mr Larry Pope, had agreed the £100 be sent to the Stroke Association and the Clerk has carried out their wishes. Item now to be deleted.  | KC |
|  | 5:xii | Annual Carol Service: agreed this item to be deleted. |  |
|  | 5:xiii | Pot Holes: agreed this item to be deleted.  |  |
|  | 5:xiv | Fly tipping: a discussion took place on the problem of the amount of rubbish being collected by a resident. SJ will provide the address of the resident to KC who will then email V2C with resident’s concerns over smell and fire hazard.(\*JP left the meeting at this point – (1900) | SJKC |
|  | 5:xv | Bus Service: the Clerk had contacted BCBC about the possibility of a yellow junction box outside the Plough and the entrance to the car park.  | KC |
|  | 5:xvi | Taff Ely Offshore Wind Farm Fund: it was agreed the Clerk arrange a meeting with Natalie Sargent on 26th July 2016, at 3pm in the Welfare Hall. | KCALL MEMBERS |
|  | 5:xvii | Flooding – Pant Hirwaun: SJ will speak to Mr D John by the next meeting. | SJ |
|  | 5:xviii | Tree – old recreation site: this item to be deleted. |  |
| 6 |  | Collaboration with PTC: everything is in hand as reported above. |  |
| 7 |  | Christmas Lights: AO confirmed he had obtained costings from Centre Great and BCBC and provided them to Members. BCBC were by far the cheaper option charging £40.22 for each pole for the wiring and plug and a one off cost of £177.52 to put up and take down the lights. This would be an annual cost. AO confirmed the cheapest quote for obtaining the Christmas lights was from Festival Lighting and the cost would be between £150-£200 for each refurbished light, depending on the size purchased. All refurbished lights were guaranteed for 8 years. Members had £2000 budgeted and held in reserves for this project. The cost for this scheme and for 10 poles - 5 x High Street and 5 x Pant Hirwaun - would be around £2800. After further discussion, SJ proposed going ahead with this project. This was seconded by MN. AO wished to proceed also. Cllr Oram stated she disagreed with this project. It was agreed this project would go ahead and AO was authorised to take the project forward. | AO |
| 8 |  | Firework display: awaiting confirmation from RFC that they agree to donate £600 match funding for the costs of the display. AO said he will chase this up.  | AO |
| 9 |  | Town and Community Council Charter: All documentation had been sent to Members in advance of the meeting, Members agreed to adopt the new T and CC Charter. AO and NO confirmed they were available to attend the signing event on 18th July at 1600. The Clerk will inform BCBC accordingly. | KC |
| 10 |  | Playscheme: the Clerk had sent all documentation from BCBC to Members and at their request, had confirmed with BCBC that they wished to have a playscheme that was as near to last year’s arrangements as possible.  |  |
| 11 |  | Car Park - CAT: no further information had been received from BCBC. AO confirmed the CAT officer is Carly McHuish and he will send the Clerk a link with her details. SJ reported flooding at the top end (woods end) of the car park and the Clerk was asked to contact BCBC to request they be cleaned. | AOKC |
| 12 |  | Heol Y Cyw Welfare Hall: SJ informed Members she had had a meeting with Charles Morgan about the possibility of a farmers market in the hall. The last Saturday in October would be convenient for the market organisers. It was agreed this would be a good idea and the Clerk confirmed she would be able to supply some craft stalls. It was agreed tables would be £10 each. MN will arrange a MC meeting prior to the agreed October meeting so that this matter can be taken forward. This is something that could also go in the Hyphen. | MNSJKCRO |
| 13 |  | Correspondence and planning: as per correspondence list. |  |
| 14 |  | To receive reports from: |  |
|  | 14.i | Representative on the School Governing Body: AO confirmed the proposed plans for the new school would be available to view at the old nursery in Pencoed on 28th July. He also confirmed that nothing will be done with Heol Y Cyw school until the new school has been built. |  |
|  | 14.ii | Representative on the Board of Conservators: MN confirmed the Conservators are about to start a programme to treat Japanese Knotweed and Himalayan Balsam. .  |  |
|  | 14.iii | Representative on One Voice Wales: no meeting attended. |  |
|  | 14.iv | Representative on the Town and Community Council: AO and NO to attend on 18th July 2016. | AONO |
| 15 |  | Finance: it was agreed to pay the annual insurance invoice – Zurich £549. The Clerk had sent out the latest NALC pay awards paperwork to Members. AO proposed the Clerk be appointed to SCP 27 backdated to April 2016.This was seconded by SJ and agreed by all. |  |
| 16 |  | Matters for the Clerk:  |  |
|  | 16:i | Bench at Pant Hirwaun: SJ reported a bench at Pant Hirwaun in very bad condition. AO confirmed this was already in hand. | AO |
|  | 16:ii | SW Wood recycling: NO asked if Members were aware that SWWR had applied for planning for a place in Pyle? After some discussion, AO confirmed he would send on to the Clerk, the response from Elizabeth Woolly to Mango’s letter, to share with Members. | AO |
| 17 |  | To consider any other item of business which the person presiding as the meeting, as of the opinion should, by reason of special circumstances, be transacted as a matter of urgency: |  |
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|  |  | Meeting closed at 2020 |  |
|  |  | Signed: |  |
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