Coychurch Higher Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held on

Monday 9th March 2020

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| Present: |  |  |
| Chairman: | John Powson | JP |
| Vice Chairman: | Lillian Davies | LD |
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| Councillors: |
|  | Judy McCarthy | JMcC |
|  | Cath Mathias-Reape | CMR |
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| Clerk/RFO | Karyl Carter | KC |
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Time: 1840

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| 1 |  | Apologies: apologies were received and accepted for VE. Members noted the resignation of Mrs S Joseph. |  |
| 2 |  | Minutes: the minutes of the September meeting had been read. JMc proposed they be accepted, seconded by JP and agreed by all. |  |
| 3 |  | Police matters: Email from PCSO Morgan:  1 crime  1 x ASB  Borough Councillor AW stated there were reports of paraphernalia, drugs and drive by sexual activities in the car park at Heol Y Cyw. KC will report this to PCSO Morgan. | KC |
| 4 |  | Declarations of interest:  JP – RFC, allotment and caretaker  JMcC – St David’s Church  CMR – Social Club |  |
| 5 |  | Matters arising: |  |
|  | 5:i | Footpaths: KC has hastened for dates from CCV. | KC |
|  | 5:ii | BCBC Development of a CAP: nothing to report. |  |
|  | 5:iii | Publicity/PR: JMcC confirmed the closing date for articles is 14th April 2020. KC will write something about the Christmas Lights Competition. KC has put a notice on the Hub but will ask again for content. JMcC said good quality pics were needed. | JM  KC |
|  | 5:iv | Bus Shelter: To be dealt with in the spring | KC  RB + CM |
|  | 5:v | Car Park – CAT: KC still waiting to hear from BCBC. | KC |
|  | 5:vi | Road safety: KC read the email from RD, BCBC. No work has been started. KC will ask for start date. | KC |
|  | 5:vii | Land at Cae Garn/V2C: KC confirmed an inspector was going to out to check the land. Nothing from V2C to date. | KC |
|  | 5:viii | Fireworks: KC had confirmed with the RFC that they are happy to marshall the event and clear up afterwards. KC will confirm 7th November is ok with RFC. | KC |
|  | 5:ix | Uneven slabs – High Street: KC confirmed BCBC had inspected and identified a number of defects. Orders have been issued for the repair. Work has not been started yet. | KC |
|  | 5:x | Newsletter: see5:iii |  |
| 6 |  | Collaboration with PTC: ongoing. |  |
| 7 |  | Horse Handle for gate (AW): AW confirmed Brynna bridleways were looking for financial support for a horse handle. BCBC confirmed they have no funding for this matter. CHCC were requested to consider sharing the costs with Brynna bridleways. Awaiting costings from BCBC. | AW  KC |
| 8 |  | Co-option: Mrs C Reape-Mathias had applied for the vacancy left by MS and had been duly co-opted at the Trustees Meeting. | KC |
| 9 |  | Conservators: KC had been in touch with OVW who subsequently passed the query to NALC. KC read the NALC response confirming it was ok to contribute as it was covered under health and wellbeing of communities. KC confirmed the three other minor authorities had agreed to pay £1125.00, which is a quarter of the shortfall, providing CHCC also pay £1125.00. A discussion took place. It was mentioned that volunteers are clearing some of the fly-tipping on the common which should result in less cost for the conservators. BCBC had confirmed that they will clear all fly-tipping on their area of land. Members agreed that they would not want an annual SLA but would consider this annually at the November budget meeting. It was also felt that with such a small precept, CHCC should not be expected to match other donations. Members agreed that as the budget had been set for 20/21, no decision would be made until November 2020, when the annual finance meeting is held. | KC |
| 10 |  | Landscape project: KC had sent on to BCBC the Green Growth Funding Opportunity details. | KC |
| 11 |  | VE Day: Members felt there was not enough time to arrange an event, but that residents could be encouraged to decorate their houses with a prize for the best house. AW agreed to be the judge. | KC  AW |
| 12 |  | Documents relating to Wern Tarw Colliery: this item to be deleted. | KC |
| 13 | 13:i | Artefacts: VE absent. | VE |
|  | 13:iii | Spade in the ground: AW has nothing to report on this. AW to confirm whether others are Members are ok to attend. | AW |
| 14 |  | Defibrillator: KC will ask RB to show her how to do the checks etc. | KC  RB |
| 15 |  | Cancer incidences: KC had a meeting with ST, Public Health Wales and will be submitting anonymised information to ST in due course. | KC |
| 16 |  | Millennium site: CCV to trim site at next attendance. | KC |
| 17 |  | HeolyCyw Welfare Hall: KC confirmed a meeting is being held on 18th March. | KC |
| 18 | 18:i | Litter – B4280/Love it or Trash it: AW has contacted JR to request replacement/additional bins be supplied and additional dog poo bags. | AW  KC |
| 19 |  | Correspondence and planning: as per attached correspondence list. | KC |
| 20 |  | To receive reports from: |  |
|  | 20.i | Representative on the School Governing Body: LD confirmed everything is fine. LD stated it was an amazing school with amazing staff. | LD |
|  | 20.ii | Representative on the Board of Conservators: Following the resignation of SJ, it was agreed CC MR would take over as Representative for CHCC. The Lane at Honeysuckle Cottage and the access road to Brynteg will be taken to the next meeting. | CMR |
|  | 20.iii | Representative on One Voice Wales: next meeting is on 20th April. | LD  JMcC |
|  | 20.iv | Representative on the Town and Community Council: KC confirmed the next meeting is now on 17th March. | LD  VE |
| 21 |  | Finance: KC asked members whether they had considered the consultation on the proposed new audit regs. KC felt that the internal auditor could sign of a full check of documents for smaller councils. Agreed to respond accordingly. | KC |
| 22 |  | Matters for the Clerk: |  |
|  | 22:i | Flooding – Brynteg: AW reported a flooding issue at Brynteg. He has referred the matter to the land drainage team and the land owner. | AW |
| 23 |  | 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 1955 |  |
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