



# Gwernymynydd Community Council Cyngor Cymdeithasol Gwernymynydd

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Gwernymynydd Community Council held on Thursday the 30<sup>TH</sup> of MARCH 2023 at the Village Centre, Gwernymynydd.

**Chairman:** Councillor Mike Meadway (Frances Rosedale) stand in chair for this meeting.

## **Councillors Present**

Victoria Norman (via phone) Frances Rosedale, Marjorie Thomson, Phil Roberts and Karen Hughes

### **1. Apologies for Absence**

Councillors; Stephen Foley, Mike Meadway and John Homersley,

## **In Attendance**

### **2. Members Code of Conduct, Declarations of Interest**

The Clerk outlined to the Members their responsibility to declare any such interests that they may have regarding discussion items and any actions determined that may influence decisions taken on Agenda items.

Marjorie Thomson declared her interest in the Village trust charity.

### **3. Vacancy for position of Councillor.**

3 vacancies currently available. Email received from Rhian Griffiths; it was agreed to invite her to the April meeting as the chair was not in attendance to meet her. Invitation and code of conduct were emailed to Rhian Griffiths

### **4. To Approve the Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The Minutes of the above had been distributed and were confirmed as a true record of the business transacted.

### **5. Matters Arising from the Minutes**

Dog Litter Bins within Gwernymynydd.- Tympath  
To persist with ASH waste, Councillor Phil Roberts & Mike Meadway to be in contact with the Quarry for an update.

## 6. Training Report, Gwernymynydd Community Council.

Councillor Marjorie Thomson reported to the Members the details of the Welsh Government Training Plan to be undertaken and she also outlined the individual Modules available by One Voice Wales, identifying 11 Modules in particular. Councillor Thomson stated that the Code of Conduct Training provided by Flintshire County Council for all Councillors in Flintshire was a good starting point, but she emphasised that the training Modules provided by One Voice Wales did need to be earnestly considered and undertaken. It was also requested that 'The finance and Governance Toolkit for community and Town council guide'. Be considered in the next meeting. Members to be emailed spring training dates. Date was set for Councillors Meadway, Thomson and the clerk to meet to discuss the toolkit. A folder with training notes and information is being put together for reference, obtained by members when a module is completed.

## 7. Gwernymynydd Development Plan, 2030

To continue to discuss the progress of the Plan considering the Sections Titled, Policies, Social and Community Development, Transport and Roads, The Environment, Housing and Land Development and the continued monitoring of the Plan.

Members again discussed the issue and how to proceed to impart the information to residents in the community, the Village Newsletter and the Council's website will, as stated previously, be used to provide information relating to the Development Plan.

Within the Plan Councillors, can highlight the achievements to date, e.g. the Wildflower Meadow, the Dog Walking Facility, the Bees and Hives and also the Council's involvement with the Village Pantomime and the Monthly Coffee Mornings; Members agreed to look at what can be done further within the community and also to advertise any such regular events taking part within the villages of Gwernymynydd and Cadole.

A Diary of events is being kept along with photographs to share with permission on the website, Facebook and newsletter. It was suggested that the council have more involvement in the production of the newsletter.

All members were emailed a copy of the proposed areas to review in the meeting as put together by Councillors Rosedale & Norman.

Areas of consideration are a youth club, history of the Pantomime, a summer event possibly a dog show and the Christmas event. Individual councillors to be given areas to report back on ideally before May meeting, these will be used to build the structure for the future development plan.

## 8. Police Matters and Member Reports

The Clerk related to the Members the said Police Report as published from the police website.

**Glyndwr Road; Blaen Wern; Minffordd Fields; Ruthin Road; Swan Lane. Tros y Wern; Cadole and Llys Enfys** on this occasion, in these areas there were no additional items for discussion.

**Member Area Reports. Individual Councillors to report.**

**Tros y Wern, Swan Lane, Llys Enfys, Cadole, Glyndwr Road,**

**Minffordd Fields and Blaen Wern** in these areas there were no items for discussion.

**9. Defibrillators and Maintenance.**

To discuss the possibility of obtaining a defibrillator for Cadole and the surrounding community. No further reports currently. It was noted that updated training sessions where needed, Councillor Meadway advised he would enquire with the person who carried out the last training. A quote has since been provided for training and installation of a defibrillator for Cadole.

**10. Easter celebrations**

Final discussions for the Easter litter pick, and timings confirmed.

**11. Planning Matters**

By e-mail, Planning Weekly List, reference to the previous reception of applications and decisions taken by the Planning Authority, this has now been replaced by an alternative process by Flintshire County Council for the Members to use, the details of which have been given to the Members.

Planning application Consultation – Ref no : FUL/000161/23

A letter of opposition has been emailed to planning office.

**12. Finance**

To receive invoices for payment to order payment and to sign cheques, the Clerk informed the Members of the expenditure for March the details of which can be found on page 5.

The treasurer of the Village centre has requested an increase in the donation from the Community Council which is £2500. More information of the accounts has been asked for.

**13. Events Taking Place Within Gwernymynydd**

To receive and outline and subsequently progress suggested future events from Councillors taking into consideration the following: - proposals which were put forward for consideration.

It was decided that at the next meeting dates for future event should be put in place to enable them to go on the calendar for 2024. This would be a good prompt for future events throughout the year.

The king's coronation plans were finalised to take place Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May with a Coronation walk, led by Marjorie Thomson and her husband, with refreshments served in the Village Centre after the walk.

Planting of Rose Garden.

Naming of the bench in the old Chapel flower garden, it was suggested that Carl Jackson be asked to open the garden on its completion, and a suggested name for the bent was 'the chatty bench'.

**14. The quote for the repairs to the Kickboard in the play area.**

Emails have been sent to Aura Wales but waiting response, regarding the funding options to replace the kickboard and hoop. It was suggested that funds be requested from the Gwernymynydd Village trust fund, proposed amount to be asked for was £500.00. Margorie Thomson and the clerk approached members of the committee for funds. The full £900.00 was very kindly donated to the council. Page 3

Late correspondence received from Aura Wales; they are prepared to pay 50% of the costs.

**15. Improvements to the Old Chapel ground A494**

The work is under way and planting will start soon; the company have asked if members of the public would like to join in with planting.

**16. Reports**

**Outside Bodies**

There were no further reports given to the Council by the Members.

**Sub-Committees**

Village Centre committee, to be emailed to combine Coronation celebrations. School links to be improved to combine fundraising and celebrations with the community council.

**18. Correspondence**

**19. Late Correspondence**

The Clerk reported to the Members on the following received items: -

**Chairman.....**

Dated

Payments authorised for the Council meeting held on the 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

C Buckley	£541.66
Salary 5 months pension	£780.00
OVW training course	£40.00
Audit Wales office	£284.00
One Voice Wales Training	£70.00
One Voice Wales Annual renewal	£205.00
John Seddon Website management	£231.68
Dee Civil Engineering streetlights	£289.25