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Minutes of the Meeting of the Gwernymynydd Community Council held on Thursday the 30th of November 2023 at the Village Centre, Gwernymynydd.

Councillors Present

Marjorie Thomson, Mike Meadway, Rhian Griffiths, Vicky Norman, Phil Roberts, Sharon Godwyn & Karen Hughes.
Mr Paul Bellis (visitor)

1. Apologies for Absence

Councillors; Frances Rosedale & Stephen Foley

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.

3. Vacancy for Community Council member.

Mr Paul Bellis attended the meeting to observe proceedings, Subsequently Mr Bellis has expressed his wishes to become a member of the Community Council. All members agreed with his appointment.

There is still 1 vacancy for a community councillor, all members are encouraged to actively recruit for the vacancy.

4. To Approve the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting have been distributed and were confirmed as a true record of the business transacted.

5. Matters Arising from the last meeting

Cllr Phil Roberts raised concerns that he felt there had been a confusion over the location of a planning application. The exact location of planning applications must be reported on, and full details and grid references can be found on Flintshire planning website.

6. **Training Report, Gwernymynydd Community Council.**

One Voice Wales Training is ongoing, and dates have been emailed to all members.

7. **Police Matters and Member Reports**

**Glyndwr Road; Blaen Wern; Minffordd Fields; Ruthin Road; Swan Lane.
Tros y Wern; Cadole and Llys Enfys**

**Member Area Reports. Individual Councillors to report.
Tros y Wern, Swan Lane, Llys Enfys, Cadole, Glyndwr Road,
Minffordd Fields and Blaen Wern**

Nothing to report on these areas and no crime reports.

8. **Community Newsletter**

Nancy Matthews is to retire February 2024, the decision to appoint her replacement, will be made by the board of trustees of the Village centre. Councillors and the clerk are still requested to provide snippets and information for the newsletter to new editor upon their appointment.

9. **Carmel Chapel Garden**

Maintenance was carried out on November 3rd to tidy the area and prepare it for the winter months. Cefn Mawr quarry have very kindly offered to donate a piece of stone for the plaque. Mike Meadway is to be in contact with the Quarry manager. They have also implied that they would be willing to help fund a defibrillator for the Cadole area of the village.

10. **Planning Matters**

There are currently no planning matters for discussion, although the recent siting of a caravan on the land at Tyn -y-Cae is causing concerns. Correspondence has been sent and a response received from Flintshire planning, stating that planning permission was not needed to locate the caravan.

Rhian Griffiths is to be added to the planning sub-committee.

11. **Llys Enfys Play Area**

Work on the improvements is expected to start and be completed by the end of December, there have been delays in receiving the equipment.

12. **Events taking place within Gwernymynydd.**

Plans for the Christmas Fayre which is due to be held on December 2nd at the village centre, were finalised with GCC donating £50.00 to cover costs.

Renewed costings for the summer playscheme were received and it was decided that Gwernymynydd and Cadole will go ahead with the planned 3-week summer playscheme, on a 3-year commitment basis, to take advantage of this discounted rate. The carol concert which was due to be held in the village centre by the school on December 20th has been relocated due to a lack of capacity.

Fund raising and social activities are being planned for early 2024, a bingo evening and an 80's themed night. Further details will be available, and dates will be decided on in January meeting allowing plenty of time to inform and promote on social media and the newsletter.

13. Finance

To receive invoices for payment. Expenditure is documented on the last page of the minutes.

2024/2025 precept discussed and set at £19,550.

The village centre requested a grant to help with the cost of the upkeep and running of the centre £2500 was the agreed amount, the same as last year, with the premise to review for 2024/25.

Gwernymynydd pantomime group are fund raising for new lighting equipment the sum of £300 was donated, an increase of £50 from last year.

Funds for Gwernymynydd school, it was suggested that same donation as Gwernaffield Community council be adopted, which is to sponsor the year 6 leaving awards. Mike Meadway will discuss this with Louise Ankers the head and with the Hafod Federation.

14. Gwernymynydd & Cadole Community Calendars

The Calanders have been distributed and sales are going well. The winners will be presented with their prizes at the Christmas fayre, book tokens for the children and a Calander for the adults. It is imperative that all calendrers are sold to ensure it is a profitable project to continue for next year.

Reports

15. Sub-Committees

16. Correspondence

Chairman.....

Dated

Payments authorised for the Council meeting held on the 30th November 2023.

C Buckley	£1841.96 (salary, pension & postage) 2 months Nov & Dec
P Roberts Allowance	£156.00
G V C grant	£2500.00
Dee Civil Eng (Deeco Lighting)	£289.25
S L C C membership	£183.00
R Griffiths Allowance	£156.00
Pantomime group grant	£300.00
Village centre donation	£50.00