



Gwernymynydd Community Council Cyngor Cymdeithasol Gwernymynydd

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Minutes of the meeting of Gwernymynydd Community Council held on Thursday April 4th, 2024, at 7.00pm.

1. Councillors present
Marjorie Thomson, Phil Roberts, Frances Rosedale, Vicky Norman, Sharon Godwin, Rhian Griffiths & Karen Hughes. Guest in attendance, for first part of the meeting was Lucy Boots from 'Outside Lives'
 2. Apologies for Absence. Paul Bellis.
 3. Lucy Boots from 'outside lives' joined for the start of the meeting to discuss how she may be able to help with the development and upkeep of the boarders and beds in the Llys Enfys play area. She suggested applying for funding from the Keep Wales Tidy, Wildlife Package, with the view to finding volunteers through outside lives to plant and maintain the gardens. It is hoped that the areas can be used to provide friendship gardens to encourage as much wildlife as possible and creative nature clubs. This is with the view to include the school children in making bug boxes etc. Also to contact Flint Share for any help they may be able to provide.
 4. Members Code of Conduct, Declarations of Interest, the clerk outlined to the members their responsibility to declare any such interests that they have regarding discussing items and any actions determined that may influence decisions taken on agenda items. No members had any such declarations.
 5. To approve the minutes from the meeting held on Thursday 29th February 2024.
 6. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Above Meeting. No matters to discuss from the minutes.
 7. Vacancy for the position of Councillors, members are asked to actively recruit new members, as there are currently 3 vacancies. Steven Foley has not formally resigned but has not attended 6 meetings in succession so can no longer be a member of the community council. The clerk has emailed the minutes and agenda for the past six meetings and asked if he intended to attend the meeting, with no reply to date. The clerk will email Steven Foley a final time to inform him that he can no longer hold his position on the community council.
- 8 To Discuss the communication policy, website, Facebook, and council email addresses.** Following on from the one voice Wales communication webinar which was completed by the clerk and John Seddon who updates the community website, it was advised that council members don't communicate via Facebook to avoid unwanted comments or the engagement in a verbal Rangel. The preferred method of communication is via the website, which has been updated to allow the clerk to present community council news and updates, which will be taken from the minutes of the meetings. Members

will be given access to communal emails, which are in the process of being arranged to allow all to view the details and messages like the current WhatsApp group.

A policy will be drawn up for entertainment and fund raising to differentiate Community Council activities and those of the Village Centre.

The Community Council will adopt 'Outside Lives' as its charity for 2024/25 and any proceeds received from community walks etc will be donated to them.

A new date for the litter pick which will be held on Saturday May 11th, 2024, details will be confirmed in the next meeting.

9. Events Taking Place Within Gwernymynydd.

Vicky Norman has a meeting arranged for Friday April 12th with Louise Ankers the head of the Hafod federation to discuss matters going forward with Gwernymynydd school which is celebrating its 50th anniversary. All members feel it is a positive step going forward for the community council to have a greater and better relationship with the school. Vicky Norman will become the representative for the community council with the school and hopefully attend governor's meetings to report back to the members.

10. Planning Developments

PLANNING APPLICATION CONSULTATION - Ref No: FUL/000142/24

PROPOSAL: PROPOSED ALTERATIONS TO FRONT FACADE

LOCATION: NEW HEY, Glyndwr Road, Gwernymynydd, Mold, CH7 5LP

No Objections by members, therefore the clerk will put a response on the planning portal at FCC.

11. Police Matters

Helen Holden is no longer the PCSO for the community she has been replaced by Emma Owen and Kaya Watson, the details from the complaints have been passed on to them. The clerk will email them both to ask for an update on the complaints and to extend the invitation for one of them to join a future community council meeting.

12. Member Area Reports. Individual Councillors to report.

Tros y Wern, Swan Lane, Llys Enfys, Cadole, Glyndwr Road,
Minffordd Fields and Blaen Wern

Phil Roberts reported on the problem relating to the flooding of the Old School house, which happened following torrential downpouring of rain last October. The clerk will email Mr Stevenson the owner of the property to offer the community councils support and chase up any historical information relating to the problem.

13. Development Plan

The development plan has been finalised and a copy will be emailed to John Seddon to publish on the website. The pictures will be updated shortly with drone pictures and soon as they are available.

14. Finance

To receive invoices for payment to order payment and to sign cheques.

To authorise the yearly Direct debits to Scottish Power

July 23 £668.06

Oct 23 £701.37

Jan 24 £712.36

Payments authorised for the Council meeting held on April 4th, 2024.

Information Commissioner renewal	£38.00
O V W membership renewal	£217.00
Planning aid Wales training course	£100.00
Salary and pension C Buckley	£778.64
O V W training invoice	£38.00
Mr John Seddon Website costs	£136.89
Deeco Lighting	£289.25

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