Coychurch Higher Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held on

Monday 8th March 2021

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| Present: |  |  |
| Chairman: | John Powson | JP |
| Vice Chairman: | Richard Butler | RB |
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| Councillors: |
|  | Judy McCarthy | JMcC |
|  | Cath Mathias-Reape | CMR |
|  | Victoria Evans | VE |
|  | Alicia Ingham | AI |
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| Clerk/RFO | Karyl Carter | KC |
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| Also present:  t BC Alex Williams |  |  |

Time: 1845

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| 1 |  | Apologies: offered by LD and accepted. |  |
| 2 |  | Minutes: the minutes of the February meeting had been read. CRM proposed they be accepted. Seconded by AI and agreed by all. |  |
| 3 |  | Police matters:  Crimes – 3  ASB - 4  Theft of tools from van in car park – ongoing investigation. | KC |
| 4 |  | Declarations of interest:  JP – RFC, allotment and caretaker  CMR – Sports and Social Club  VE – RFC  JMcC – St Pauls Church  AI – Sports and Social Club |  |
| 5 |  | Matters arising: |  |
|  | 5:i | Footpaths: on hold due to COVID. | KC |
|  | 5:ii | Publicity/PR: KC is drafting a Spring Newsletter for approval by Members. | KC |
|  | 5:iii | Car Park – CAT: CAT not going ahead – update of plan pf works had been emailed to Members following the meeting attended by AW with BCBC on 12th January. Members agreed this information to be added to Newsletter. | KC  AW |
|  | 5:iv | Road safety: Road markings have been completed. Members agreed to delete this item. | KC  AW |
|  | 5:v | Accolade: NFA due to COVID. Will be arranged when safe to do so. | KC |
|  | 5:vi | Horse Handle for gate (AW): CRM looking into repairing horse handle and will liaise with the person who brought the enquiry to AW. | KC  CR |
|  | 5:vii | Illegal Tipping: RB to supply grid reference for NRW. | KC  RB |
|  | 5:iii | Dangerous Tree: AW has tried chasing this up but no response to date. Some BCBC departments have been re-deployed to support COVID. | AW  KC |
|  | 5:ix | Landscape project: KC has asked RJ/BCBC for a meeting as there seems to be some cross wires re: grant funding. | KC |
|  | 5:x | Development- Travellers: AW heavily involved with this matter. CHCC had strongly objected to planning application. AW confirmed that despite stop notices being filed for the site, work still going ahead and building materials are being delivered. Residents very upset and frustrated. KC will email planning team to express Members concerns. | AW  KC |
|  | 5:xi | Rockwool: Rockwool had agreed to accept the outcomes of the noise survey. Dust however, is still presenting a problem. | AW |
| 6 | 6:i | Heol Y Cyw Primary School:  Artefacts: KC confirmed that neither AW, VE or V2C know where the time capsule is. KC to speak to Site Manager. | AW  KC |
|  | 6:ii | S106 money: KC confirmed the S106 money will be used for a new bus shelter outside the rugby club. Hopefully, this will be in place by mid-May. | KC |
| 7 |  | Defibrillator: working correctly. | RB |
| 9 |  | Cancer incidences: on hold due to COVID-19. | KC |
| 10 |  | Millennium site: on hold due to COVID. CRM has kindly had a tidy up. | KC |
| 11 |  | HeolyCyw Welfare Hall: £17,000 in grants had been secured. CRM had confirmed that the leak in the roof is due to the old fans which are now being removed at a cost of £575.00. | KC  CRM |
| 12 |  | Litter – B4280/Love it don’t Trash it: on hold due to COVID-19. Waste bin outside the school has been replaced. CRM reported the bin at Bulls Row is rotten and needs replacing. | AW  KC  CRM |
| 13 |  | Consideration of purchase of footpath: KC was still waiting to hear from BCBC and has emailed Coalboard Regeneration Trust. However, following discussion, Members instructed the Clerk to contact Cllr R Turner to say CHCC will not be involved in this project. Item now to be deleted. | KC |
| 14 |  | Active Travel Plan: due to the fact some residents had shown an interest in a cycle path, the Clerk has contacted BCBC not least as the work carried out by Ms Hawkins had ensured all the permissions for the project were already in place, plus there is still S106 money being held by Rockwool. AL will be attending a webinar on the Active Travel Plan tomorrow and will feedback to Members. JP confirmed he would be happy to be part of a working committee. | KC  AW  AI  J{ |
| 15 |  | SWWR: AW updated Members re: SWWR and confirmed the planning decision has been deferred until March. . He confirmed the site has a major gas leak which has caused significant inconvenience for the residents at Mount Pleasant. AW has contacted the Leader of BCBC, Wales and West, H I-D, CE, MP an asked the to intervene to close the site until assurances can be given re: health and safety at the site. | AW |
| 16 |  | Correspondence and planning: as per attached correspondence list. | KC |
|  |  | To receive reports from: |  |
|  | 17.i | Representative on the School Governing Body: RB at meeting this evening and will report back at next CHCC meeting. | RB |
|  | 17.ii | Representative on the Board of Conservators: CR confirmed no meeting to report. | CMR |
|  | 17.iii | Representative on One Voice Wales: unable to attend meeting. | LD  JMcC |
|  | 17:iv | Representative on the Town and Community Council: next meeting 15th Feb – VE and LD informed. VE confirmed she will be attending the meeting. | LD  VE |
| 18 |  | Finance: | KC |
|  | 18:i | Office: as approved, KC had purchased Office 365 for a year. | KC |
|  | 18:ii | Window cleaner: RB to send KC bills for payment from window cleaner | RB |
| 19 |  | Matters for the Clerk: |  |
|  | 19:i | Turnstile: CRM has repaired the broken turnstile near the bus shelter at Bulls Row. | KC |
|  | 19:ii | Trustees Liability: KC to obtain update for JMcC. | KC |
|  | 19:iii | Signage: Agreed by all that CRM obtain costings for signage on entering Heol Y Cyw, and KC to submit a grant application to the T&CC Fund. | KC  CRM |
|  | 19:iv | Rockwool: AW confirmed Rockwool have commissioned a noise survey and confirmed their agreement to accept the recommendation of the Noise Consultant and will take action. However, AW reported there is still a dust problem on site. | AW |
|  | 19:v | Library: JP confirmed the library service is now offering a phone in service whereby they will choose a book for you in the genre you like and deliver it in a sealed plastic bag. KC mentioned the Family History support service offered by Library. |  |
|  | 19:vi | RFC – CAT: AW confirmed the CAT will now be moving forward and that it is possible the RFC will need support with funding. |  |
|  | 19:vii | Minnfrwd Road: it was reported that the erection of a detached utility and day room has been erected without planning approval. |  |
|  | 19:viii | Neighbourhood Watch: a number of residents had mentioned setting up a neighbourhood Watch Scheme. KC to find out the correct procedure. | KC |
| 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 2025 |  |
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