Coychurch Higher Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held on

13th March 2023

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| Present: |  |  |
| Chairman: | John Powson | JP |
| Vice Chairman: | Richard Butler | RB |
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| Councillors | Catherine Reape | CR |
|  | John Holmes | JH |
|  | Rhys Jones | RJ |
|  | Vicky Evans | VE |
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| Clerk/RFO | Karyl Carter | KC |
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Time:1837

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| 1 |  | Apologies: Received from BC’s AWilliams, RWilliams and MEvans.CC’s JP, and RB (work). |  |
| 2 |  | Minutes:  The minutes of the January meeting had been read. CMR requested 8:i - amend St David’s to read St Paul’s then proposed they be accepted; seconded by RJ and all agreed. |  |
| 3 |  | Police matters:  No stats received. |  |
| 4 |  | Declarations of interest:  CMR – Sports and Social Club  Welfare Hall – all attendees |  |
| 5 |  | Matters arising: |  |
|  | 5:i | Footpaths: there is now a new volunteer and contact at CCV who has taken over bookings etc. He wants to meet to go over workplan and discuss materials etc. CMR will also attend when meeting is arranged. KC to re-send CCV’s workplan. | KC |
|  | 5:ii | Publicity/PR/Newsletter: No stories for a newsletter had been received by the Clerk. RJ confirmed he thought the proposed new Spanglefish website was more modern with a better functionality and reasonable at £107.00. RJ had suggested that a competition be held for the best photos of HeolyCyw, with CHC councillors as judges. RJ proposed we go ahead with this, seconded by CMR Everyone agreed thatthe Clerk to go ahead and arrange with Spanglefish. RB confirmed he would be happy to carry out first- aid and defib training sessions during half-tern x 3 sessions a day of up to 15 people. JH to speak to SB to ensure we can book the hall. | KC  MEMBERS  JH |
|  | 5:iii | Landscape project: the Clerk confirmed a meeting had been held last week. AS RFO, she has told the team, that until CHCC has something in writing to confirm that the money for the project is in place, CHCC wouldn’t spend any money. We will await o hear from Jess Hartley. KC has also confirmed with BCBC that the T and CC Grant for this project, can be carried over into the next financial year. CMR proposed we submit a request to the T and CC fund 2023/24 for a grant for benches for the new project. Seconded by RB and agreed by all present. | KC  CMR |
|  | 5:iv | Development- Travellers: nothing to report. |  |
|  | 5:v | Signage: BC RW is liaising with BCBC to take this forward | CMR  JH RW |
|  | 5:vi | Litter – B4280/Love it don’t Trash it: CMR has spoken to J Choats who would like a site meeting to check numbers of bins and sizes. CMR also confirmed the Love it Don’t Trash it scheme had been on hold since COVID. | CMR |
|  | 5:vii | Japanese Knotweed: nothing to report. | KC |
|  | 5:viii | Active Travel Plan – on hold. |  |
|  | 5:ix | Digital Hub: G Kiddie, who is assessing the project for BCBC, is arranging a meeting with all who were involved. KC will inform members once date/time has been set. | KC  RB |
|  | 5:x | Bins at bus shelters: CMR – see 5vi. | KC |
| 6 |  | Millennium site: Members agreed the site needed work. KC will speak to Pencoed College and the probation service. Contractor to b considered. | KC  CMR  JH |
| 7 |  | Cenin – there had been a number of concerns from the public, expressed on Facebook, but outside of CHCC area. KC had responded to all the queries. | KC |
| 8 |  | Defibrillator: KC confirmed the defib should be registered with the BHF and will take the necessary action. Who is the Guardian? | RB  KC |
| 9 |  | Christmas arrangements:   * Carol service will be held on 10th December 2023 – KC will contact choir to confirm ok to attend. * Christmas lights competition 2022 – Won by Mr and Mrs Owen - £100 to go to Bethel Chapel. Not paid to date due to bank issues. |  |
| 10 |  | Mayors Awards: The Clerk, as requested, had submitted proposals for Mrs Eileen Thomas and Mrs Cath Mathias to be considered. Both had been successful. Members offered their congratulations to CC Reape. |  |
| 11 |  | HeolyCyw Welfare Hall:   * Still waiting to hear about costings from Plumbwise. * The money from the Christmas concert to be considered for use against the stage roof repairs. KC to ask Dan Drury to have a look. * KC to speak to Warm Spaces scheme to see if money still in the pot. RJ suggested, if warm spaces goes ahead, to invite community pantry to attend. VE and JH will manage warm spaces if it goes ahead.   (VE left at this time – 1940) | KC  ALL MEMBERS  CMR |
| 12 |  | Correspondence and planning: as per attached correspondence list. | KC |
| 13 |  | To receive reports from: |  |
|  | 13:i | Representative on the School Governing Body: no meeting to report. | RB |
|  | 13.ii | Representative on the Board of Conservators: No meeting to report. | CMR  JP |
|  | 13:iii | Representative on One Voice Wales: JH confirmed no meeting had been held | JH |
|  | 13:iv | Representative on the Town and Community Council: JH confirmed next meting 6th March. | JH |
| 14 |  | Finance: the Clerk had emailed Members, keeping them with updated with the problems with HSBC. It is likely that we will have to open an account with another bank. To date, no payments have been made since November 2022, including salary and HMRC. | KC |
| 15 |  | Matters for the Clerk: | KC |
|  |  | None. |  |
| 16 |  | 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: 2043 |  |
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