Coychurch Higher Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held on

9th December 2024

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| Present: |  |  |
| Chairman: | Cath Reape | CR |
| Vice Chairman: | John Holmes | JH |
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| Councillors: | Tracy Boxall | TB |
| Councillors: | Mary Goodman-Edwards | MGE |
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| Via Remote Link | Richard Williams | BC RW |
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| Member of Public | Mr Stephen Bird |  |
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| Clerk/RFO: | Antoinette Chislett | AC |
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| Start Time: 18:30 |
|  |  | CR officially opened the meeting. |  |
| 1 |  | Apologies: Received and accepted from BC’s A. Ulberini-Williams and M. Evans |  |
| 2 |  | Minutes:Minutes of the November meeting had been read. TB proposed they be accepted; seconded by MGE and agreed by all. |  |
| 3 |  | Police matters:3 Violence against person |  |
| 4 |  | Declarations of interest: * CR – Sports and Social Club
* MGE – RFC
* TB - Allotments
* All CHCC attendees - Welfare Hall
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| 5 |  | Matters arising: |  |
|  | 5:i | Publicity/PR/Newsletter: who confirmedWH Christmas All members thanked for their contribution to organisation of Christmas decorations and trees. £159.98 spent on new tree lights.Carol service £170.45 collected during the Carol service – confirm with KC how this should be distributed since St Pauls has closed. Formally 50% to Bethel Newydd and 50% St. Paul’sEvent costs = £66.25:-£42 for selection boxes and 1 box of biscuits£24.25 for mince pies / cakes / biscuits / milk / tea / coffeeMid Glam Mixed Choir have asked if we want them to come back – 2nd Sunday in December 2025. All agreed that they should be asked to return. | AC |
|  | 5:ii | Landscape project: * Geoff has requested a Purchase Order based on the maintenance quote.
* CR to speak to Geoff / Jess / A. Mason reference sign over and official opening
* Plaque is missing, stand has been used as a bin
 | ACCR |
|  | 5:iii | Development- Travellers: Update from BC A. U-Williams following P. Thomas site visit reviewed by members. Acknowledgement by members that A. U-Williams has been actively seeking follow up information for some time. Members were encouraged to see a detailed update.All members agreed that they want to receive future updates but this situation is best managed by qualified specialists. Rhiwceiliog residents are involved with BC A. U-W |  |
|  | 5:iv | Signage: * BC RW to meet with CR 11th December on site to review signs. Other items to be reviewed during meeting – knotweed and drop kerb / bus stops on Pant Hirwaun.
 | BC RW / CR |
|  | 5:v | Litter: Ask J. Choats for bin in the park | CR |
|  | 5:vi | Active Travel Plan: * No further update
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|  | 5:vii | Miners FootpathPencoed Clerk recommended members speak to A. Mason as he has been involved in the project overall.CR to speak to Conservators regarding project hand over on Pencoed side. | CR |
|  | 5:viii | Traffic Speed: Request PCSO assistance regarding “scoping” and any help from the Police. | AC |
| 6 |  | Millennium site: CR and MGE plan to start reducing bramble before Spring | CR / MGE |
| 7 |  | Cenin/Hybont: - Nothing further |  |
| 8 |  | HeolyCyw Welfare Hall: * MC meeting on Wednesday
* Invoice needed for December meeting and Carol Service
 | JH |
| 9 |  | Christmas: * Choir booked for next year
* Next years planning to include tasks for members
* TB and MGE to judge Christmas decorations competitions
* Lights to be switched off on 12th night
 | ACACTB / MGEJH |
|  10 |  | Training and Code of Conduct Training: AC attended South East Wales – Strategic Development Plan training |  |
| 11 |  | Correspondence and planning:  |  |
|  | 11:i | Correspondence (see attached correspondence list) :* + Item 11 – update from JH. All members agreed to respond stating no RACC in Welfare Hall
	+ Item 15 – CR stated Board of Conservators are sourcing boulders
	+ Item 21 – CR to ask St Pauls if they would be happy for notice board to moved to Welfare Hall
	+ Item 22 – AC to request social media friendly bulletin for Councillors to be distributed on CHCC Facebook page
 | CRAC |
|  | 11:ii | PlanningNo new planning requests |  |
| 12 | 12:i | To receive reports from:Representative on school governing body – No update |  |
|  | 12:ii | Representative on the board of Conservators:Nothing to report |  |
|  | 12:iii | Representative on One Voice Wales Nothing to report |  |
|  | 12:iv | Representative on the town and community council:* Next TC&C meeting to be scheduled
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|  13 | 13:i | Finance:* As agenda item #5 £226.23 spent in total on Christmas
* Precept request due date 3rd January. Precept payment will be made on or before 30th April 2025.
	+ CHCC to request £11,550 precept. All members voted and agreed.
	+ AC to email Precept request
 | AC |
| 15 |  | Matters for the clerk Report from resident that Christmas street lights are not working – this has been reported to BCBC. | AC |
| 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: |  |
|  |  | Meeting closed: 20:29 |  |
|  |  | Signed:  |  |
|  |  | Dated:  |  |