CYNGOR CYMUNED CAERSWS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes for meeting Wednesday **24th February 2016**Clatter Village Hall 7.30pm

Present Clirs: Mrs R Davies, Mrs E Thomas, Mrs M Woosnam, Mr A Wallbank, Mr D Collington, Mr B O'Sullivan, Mr N Francis, Mr I Astley, Mr L George, Mr T P Calvin Thomas and Mr R Burrows.

- 1. Apologies Chairman Mr P Breese (vice chairman Mr N Francis to chair)
- 2. **Confirmation of minutes** of the meeting held on 27th January 2016 were proposed and seconded by two Councillors

3. Matters Arising

Cllr Mrs R Davies has confirmed that it is fine to have the beacon on the hill at Cefn Lladron. She has however expressed concern over health and safety due to all the rain. Only a tractor can get up the hill and there may be concerns for people going up to the beacon. This is to be discussed further closer to the time.

Lower rates from British Gas have been confirmed to us by asbas. We have not been receiving bills for the electricity supply at the toilets. Clerk to follow this up with British Gas.

4. Correspondence

a) Urdd National Eisteddfod 2016

2016 Eisteddfod requesting financial contribution. It was agreed that we should offer a contribution the same as previous years. Clerk to check this amount to offer as a donation.

b) Powys Volunteer Involvers Network

PAVO meeting on 11 March will focus on how our statutory partners (Powys County Council, Powys Local Health Board) can best engage with volunteers and develop good practice. No one is able to attend.

c) Powys County Council

Fuel Poverty - Nest Scheme: Information provided by Powys County Council who can provide information and advice regarding fuel saving. All agreed that this information should be made available to the community by putting the details up on the notice boards and the community council website. Clerk to action this.

d) PAVO

Enquiry of interest for training; booklet provided showing possible training for councils.

e) Kerry Powell PCSO

PACT meeting minutes from February. Vice chariman went through the items from these minutes. Items noted were that there was nothing to report regarding the footbridge.

f) Wind Prospect Gro

Community Liaison Group Minutes from January. It was decided that this information did not affect the community council as it is outside the ward.

g) Arwain

Possible funding scheme for projects within Powys. A request for expressions of interest for projects within Powys that will promote social inclusion, reduce poverty and develop and sustain our rural communities. Clerk to make contact regarding Maes y Dre play area.

h) Resource Efficient Wales

Free impartial energy advice. A Welsh Government service offering free impartial energy advice which they would like promoted across Powys.

i) One Voice Wales

Membership for 2016/17. Membership renewal for 2016/17 proposed and seconded by two councillors. Clerk to update membership.

j) Welsh Government

Independent Remuneration Panel Annual Report. To be printed for Clerks files.

k) PAVO ebriefing

Info on current funding, training opportunities etc. To be printed for Clerks files.

I) Powys CC

Submission of the Deposit Powys Local development Plan 2015. No development currently happening in this area.

m) One Voice Wales

Response to proposal on provision of court and tribunal services. Vice Chairman read out for everyone's attention.

n) One Voice Wales

Response to Draft Local Government (Wales) Bill. To be printed for Clerks files.

o) PAVO

Volunteering for Community Health Councils in Wales. CHCW requires volunteers with 2-3 hours free per week.

- 5. **Risk Assessment** Cllr. Mr Andrew Wallbank recorded the cemetery was generally tidy. The following were highlighted:
- The creosote on the shed could be tidied up some time.
- The area between the gate to the entrance of the cemetery could do with resurfacing as there are some pot holes. Clerk to contact PCC to see if they can resurface this area at the same time as they resurface locally.
- Gravestones that were previously reported as loose still are. Clerk to contact Mr R Hamer regarding this.
- Clerk to check and confirm what day the bins go out and let the relevant people know.
- Next risk assessment to be done by loan Astley.

6. Planning Applications

P/2016/0063 Proposed alteration and extensions to dwelling at Teglys, Greenlands Lane, Caersws. Mr and Mrs Bennett.

It was confirmed that work has already begun.

7. Bills for payment

Healthmatic W.C Maintenance (January)

Caersws Village Hall Hire 2016 Cariad Defib

Satch Norton Update to website

Clerks salary February 2016 Clerks expenses (incl mileage) February 2016

- Clerk to chase up getting the door to the disabled toilets painted
- Cllr Mrs M Woosnam suggested we request further funding for the defibrillator, seconded by one Cllr, Clerk to make enquiries.

8. Any other business

- Change of contact details to new clerk for bank account signed.
- Maes y Dre play area children at the school to choose equipment on Monday 29.02.16. Clerk to report back on this with the results.
- Cllr T P Calvin Thomas reported a hole in the footbridge at Manthrig Lane in Caersws. Clerk to contact PCC regarding this.
- Issue regarding drainage by Cllr land was looked at by 2 people but he hadn't been told of any kind of surveying going on. Would like to have been informed.
- Cllr said a large hole on the A4568 which keeps re-opening. It may be to do with Severn Trent Water. Clerk to contact Severn Trent.
- Regarding the bank account with NatWest, Cllr has spoken to Santander but they
 don't seem to be an option. Clerk to find out from previous clerk where she got with
 this and make some enquiries.
- Cllr said that Delma Thomas would like a copy of the picture that went into the County Times when Linda Yapp left as Clerk so it can be put in Seren Hafren.

Meeting closed at 8.40pm.