

CYNGOR CYMUNED CAERSWS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes for Remote Meeting held on Wednesday 29th April 2020

DUE TO THE COVID-19 OUTBREAK AND LOCKDOWN THE COUNCIL ARE UNABLE TO MEET BUT INTEND TO EITHER MEET REMOTELY OR DELEGATE DECISIONS TO THE CLERK IN CONSULTATION WITH ALL CLLRS AND TO BE FINALISED WITH THE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR.

Present: Chair Cllr B O'Sullivan, Vice Chair Cllr D Collington, Cllr A Wallbank, Cllr L George, Cllr P Breese, Cllr M Cheshire

In attendance: Clerk, Mrs S Palmer

1. **Apologies:** Cllr T P Calvin-Thomas, Cllr E Thomas, Cllr I Astley, Cllr L Gethin, Cllr M Harding, Cllr R Davies
2. **Declaration of interests of any items on the agenda** *Declarations of interest, whether likely to benefit or disadvantage, should be disclosed prior to commencement of discussion of any items for discussion.*
None given
3. **Minutes** of decisions made on 25th March 2020 were agreed and proposed as an accurate record by Cllr M Cheshire and seconded by Cllr P Breese. Clerk to add comments regarding planning.

4. UPDATES RECEIVED:

- **Highway Matters:**
 - a) **Pavement widening between Spar and car park** Trunk Road Agent are writing to the landowner in order to have confirmation of an agreement in order to try and progress this matter.
 - b) **Road markings at Weig Lane crossing** Clerk is still chasing a response on this.
- **Matters Arising:**
 - i. **Defibrillator (Llanwnnog)** Clerk is still looking to have someone confirmed to install this so that even if it is not possible during lockdown we can get it sorted as soon as lockdown is lifted.
 - ii. **Caersws CC Logo** a more detailed logo was sent through by Delma that the head teacher at Caersws has completed for us. I think I have sent it through to everyone but can resend
 - iii. **Bench plan** Clerk has put a spreadsheet together to be agreed
 - iv. **Dog Fouling** No further updates relating to this at present
 - v. **PCC Flood Consequences Assessment** PCC have not come back to the Clerk regarding this yet
 - vi. **PCC: Bus Infrastructure Improvements** Time tables for trains and buses cannot be coordinated due to the use of the buses for school routes etc.
 - vii. **Electric Car Charging** no further updates yet
- **Correspondence:** The following information has been forwarded onto Cllrs prior to the meeting
 - i. **SARPA:** Transport Select Committee press release-Letter to Secretary of State-Covid-19: Fair refunds for season ticket holders.
 - ii. **Addiction Assistance Helpline** Clerk to add information to website
 - iii. **Resident near WC:** Request for double yellow lines on the small roadway off Bridge Street past the WC. Cllrs agree that double yellow lines should be added in this area. Clerk to action.
- **Planning Issues/Queries:**
 1. Gateways in Caersws (Unicorn & Weig Lane) no update received as yet
 2. Bungalow in Caersws without planning the response from planning was as follows: *This matter has now been closed as not being expedient to pursue enforcement action. The works being undertaken relate to a domestic extension within the residential curtilage. It is likely that if an application was submitted there would no material planning concerns and an application would likely be supported.*
Clerk received comments from Cllr T P Calvin-Thomas regarding the above and he does not agree that it is an extension. He would like CCC to write back to the planning dept to state this and complain. Clerk put these comments to the other Cllrs but they were not all in agreement so this matter will be deferred until the Council can meet to discuss fully.

5. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION / COMMENT / APPROVAL:

- **Caersws Public Conveniences:**
 1. **Blockage in men's toilets** This has been an ongoing issue on and off for a few weeks. The cleaner said that it seems to have cleared for the time being so will keep up to date on this. The Clerk will arrange for someone to take a look if need be.

- **Planning Applications:**

1. **Application Reference: 20/0385/HH.** Grid Reference: **E:302205 N: 293919** Proposal: Erection of a garden room, extension Site Address: Bronderw, Llanwnnog, Caersws, Powys SY17 5JG
No objections
2. **Application Reference: 20/0507/OUT** Grid Reference: **E:304266 N: 294158** Proposal: Erection of a rural enterprise dwelling, installation of package sewage treatment plant and all associated works
Site Address: Land At Trecastell Wood, Llanwnnog, Caersws, Powys SY17 5PD
No objections
3. **Application Reference: 20/0527/HH** Grid Reference: **E:300401 N: 293126** Proposal: Demolition of part of dwelling and erection of a 2 storey extension Site Address: Pen Y Coed, Caersws, Powys, SY17 5QP
No objections
4. **Application Reference: 20/0563/FUL** Grid Reference: **E:304970 N: 293250** Proposal: Erection of 3 cabins, installation of package treatment plant, parking and internal roads and other associated works Site Address: Cleared Wood Field, Aberhafesp, Newtown, SY16 3HR
Cllrs discussed this application and agreed that as per the Powys Highways objection, there is a concern over the danger involved here due to the stretch of road this is on. This is a dangerous road where many accidents have occurred and this will only add to the risk.

- **Cemeteries:**

- i. **Rules for services held at Llanwnnog Cemetery:** Clerk was asked by a Funeral Director how many people are allowed at the cemetery for a burial. Clerk consulted the current guidance which does not specify a number of people allowed but rather restricts to direct family members only. Cllrs unanimously agreed that Funeral Directors must ensure that they are following the Government guidance regarding funerals and make their own judgement on specific numbers.
- ii. **Llanwnnog Cemetery Risk Assessments:** Clerk has checked the cemetery for anything urgent and can report that there are no urgent issues at this time. Cllr L George has confirmed that he will deal with the weeds at Yr Ynys and this is to be added to the next agenda to discuss if further action is to be taken. There is also a headstone to be fixed which is loose, Clerk to action.
- iii. **Shiloh Clatter Graveyard** no updates to report

- a) **Finances:**

- a) **Bank Balances:**

Current Account	= £14,898.24
Reserve Account	= £16,794.43

- b) **End of Year Accounts and Internal Audit** Clerk is finalising the accounts and audit paperwork in order to send to the auditor who has confirmed he is still happy to carry out the audit for CCC.

- c) **Bills to be Paid:**

Sophie Palmer	Clerks salary & Expenses (April 2020)	£702.23
HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE Tax for Clerk (April 2020)	None to pay
Hugh Jones	Cleaning at W/C (Mar - Apr 20)	£192.00
Satch Norton	Website Domain name (10 year renewal)	£120.00
Border Janitorial	WC supplies	£77.14
Clatter Community Centre	Meeting Room Hire (2019)	£125.00
Andrew Evans	Grass cutting at Caersws and Clatter (Mar & Apr)	£511.20

- Direct Debit Payments:**

Scottish Power	DD Caersws W/C electricity	£34.61
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Bills were unanimously agreed for payment by all Cllrs present.

- a) **Revenue Received**

W/C revenue	Jan - Feb 2020	£126.20
R Hamer	Burial Fee	£157.50

6. **MATTERS CURRENTLY ON HOLD DUE TO LOCKDOWN:** The following items will be addressed once the council is in a position to meet again.

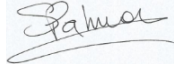
- **Projects:**
 - a) Place Plan
 - b) ABC Charity idea

- **Matters Arising:**
 - i. **Defibrillator (Llanwnog)** If this is not able to be done before lockdown ends, it will need to be organised once restrictions are lifted
 - ii. **PCC Flood Consequences Assessment** PCC have not come back to me regarding this yet
 - iii. **Electric Car Charging**

7. **Date of next meeting:** The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 27th May 2020 at 7.30pm REMOTELY.

Chairman Cllr B O'Sullivan thanked everyone for attending the remote meeting and closed the meeting at 8.20pm.

Signed:



Sophie Palmer (Clerk & RFO)