## CYNGOR CYMDEITHAS BODFARI BODFARI COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## Meeting of the Bodfari Community Council Held on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at Ysgol Bodfari at 7.00pm

**Present:** Cllr Rebecca Parrin (RP)

Cllr Alan Waterfield (AW) Cllr Eira Roche (ER) Cllr Tanya Bowyer (TB) Ccllr Chris Marston (CM) Helen Roberts (Clerk)

## 26. Apologies for absence:

Cllr Naomi Luhde-Thompson (NLT) (chair)

## 27. Declarations of interest:

AW declared an interest in a quotation received for repairs in the park; it was **RESOLVED** to move this to the end so that he could leave early.

## 28. Minutes of previous meeting:

**RESOLVED** that the draft minutes of the meeting and AGM of 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017 be accepted as correct records and signed by the vice-chair AW (proposed TB seconded ER).

## 29. Matters arising from the previous meeting:

- 18(b)(i) A meeting had taken place between NLT and DCC planning department, with the clerk and Alan Williams also in attendance. The clerk gave a summary of the meeting's findings in the absence of NLT. A further meeting is to be arranged to consider the next steps after DCC have investigated the various planning issues that were raised.
- 125(i) Mrs Briggs had confirmed that the road had been repaired and cleaned, but the drainage issues were still outstanding. Continuing erosion of the road edges had also been reported to CM by another resident on this road, to report back to DCC Highways.
- 10 The Facebook page is being well received and had been used to publicize the recent Boules Court opening to great effect. It was suggested that BCC could build on this by producing an 'About the community council' leaflet for distribution in the village. This would be considered in more detail once the casual vacancies were filled.
- 120(b)(i)The footpath sign opposite Yewtree Cottage is listed for replacement by DCC hopefully over the summer; this work is contracted out and is rolled up until a minimum amount is reached.
- 22(iii) The swings should be repaired shortly.
- 22(iv) The Boules event had been well attended, although disappointment was expressed that no games had been organised. It was **RESOLVED** that TB and ER would consider organising teams and a schedule of games though Facebook.
- 22(vi) It was **RESOLVED** to replace the A541 planter in the autumn, AW will bring some designs for consideration.

### **30.** Casual vacancies:

Mrs Sharon Davies of Yew Tree, Bodfari had expressed an interest in the vacancy and had supplied councillors with a written statement of her background and how she could contribute to the community council. Although she had been unable to attend this meeting several of the councillors had met her therefore it was **RESOLVED** (pRP sER) to Co-Opt Mrs Davies to the council.

## **31. County Councillors report:**

Chris Marston was welcomed to the meeting as the new ward county councillor and wished to let everyone know that she is here to help and willing to assist as needed.

## 32. Denbighshire County Council:

There were no new planning or highways issues this month.

### 33. Finance:

- (i) Statements were circulated to the meeting. Vat refund receipt of £1055.93 was noted.
- Requests for donation that had been received through the year were considered. It was
  **RESOLVED** (pER sAW) to donate £50 to St Stephen's church for the upkeep of the churchyard,
  £50 to St Kentigern's and £50 to Urdd Gobaith Cymru towards the 2020 Eisteddfod. A further donation would be considered after consultation with a local resident.
- (iii) The clerk presented her payroll it was **RESOLVED** to pay this.
- (iv) Invoices had been received from BCC for the annual bin collections in the playground of £151.80, £45.01 from ER for supplies for the Boules event and £120 from One Voice Wales for training courses. It was **RESOLVED** to pay these (pER sAW) and to ask for a schedule for the bin collections.

## 34. Village playground / Recreation ground:

(i) Inspection reports were collected. It was reported that several of the new fruit trees had some leaf infestation, one picnic bench was loose and that the woodwork was still suffering strimmer damage. It was **RESOLVED** that the clerk would report the strimming to the maintenance contractors. The clerk reminded the meeting that the annual external inspection would be carried out shortly.

It was also noted that there had been some minor vandalism and an increase in littering in the park. It had been suggested through correspondence that this could be addressed through the school, with one of the regular visits by PC Heledd focusing on good behaviour and social responsibility in the park. It was also suggested that some older children could be 'park monitors' - ER will discuss this with the school.

- (ii) New inspection schedules were issued, also a new checksheet including the boules court.
- (iii) A suggestion had been received to plant lavender around the boules court. It was **RESOLVED** that AW would approach a local garden centre to discuss prices for an appropriate amount. ER offered to arrange the planting.
- (iv) (AW left the meeting for this discussion) Since the last meeting the pedestrian gatepost by The Old School House had broken off at the base. Bodfari Environmental had quoted £130 plus VAT to repair this, and it was **RESOLVED** (pER sRP) to accept this quote.

### 35. Village road safety:

With the opening of the Dinorben Arms increasing traffic in the village, and cars exiting the car park adjacent to the footpath to the park, councillors had concerns about the safety of children walking through the village. It was **RESOLVED** that the council would inspect the road after the meeting to see if any safety improvements should be suggested to DCC.

### 36. Social Media Policy

The clerk presented the new BCC Social Media Policy. It was **RESOLVED** (pAW sER) to accept this.

### 37. Correspondence:

- (i) Urdd Eisteddfod Denbighshire 2020 request for support
- (ii) Play Wales Focus on Play May 2017
- (iii) Clocaenog Forest Wind farm compliance with planning regulations
- (iv) Seafarers UK Merchant Navy Day, request for councils to fly the Red Ensign
- (v) Dangerpoint quiz night 29.6.17

- (vi) Fire & Rescue Service consultation
- (vii) Welsh Hearts vote email 6<sup>th</sup> June
- (viii) OVW bulletin email 6<sup>th</sup> June
- (ix) OVW Code of Conduct training schedule email 2<sup>nd</sup> June
- (x) OVW Conwy Denbigh AGM & OGM 5.7.17 agenda ER and TB to attend

## **38.** Date of next meeting:

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2017 at 7.00pm at Ysgol Bodfari

# Meeting closed at 8.50pm

Signed..... Chairman Date.....