

**CYNGOR CYMDEITHAS BODFARI
BODFARI COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Meeting of the Bodfari Community Council
Held on Wednesday 12th July 2017 at Ysgol Bodfari at 7.00pm**

Present: Cllr Rebecca Parrin (RP)
Cllr Alan Waterfield (AW)
Cllr Eira Roche (ER)
Cllr Naomi Luhde-Thompson (NLT) (chair)
Cllr Chris Marston (CM)
Helen Roberts (Clerk)
Dee Jones (DJ)

39. Apologies for absence:

Cllr Tanya Bowyer (TB)

40. Declarations of interest:

There were no declarations of interest. The clerk presented the updated Register of Business Interests.

41. Minutes of previous meeting:

RESOLVED that the draft minutes of the meeting of 14th June 2017 be accepted as correct records and signed by the vice-chair AW (proposed RP seconded ER).

42. Matters arising from the previous meeting:

- 18(b)(i) DCC had been in touch with the clerk to advise that their actions were still ongoing, and they would organise a new meeting when they had all their findings.
- 22(vi) AW presented a design to produce a rectangular planter 2.4m long, by 1.4m wide and 0.6m high, made out of railway sleepers and with 'Croeso i Bodfari' on one side. It was **RESOLVED** that the clerk would approach local business for quotations to bring to the next meeting.
- 30 The council accepted the apologies of Mrs Davies, who no longer wished to join the council.
- 35 There had been an informal chat with the manager of the Dinorben Arms regarding road safety and traffic exiting the car park – he had suggested he would put up some safety signage. It was **RESOLVED** that ER would arrange a more formal discussion, to include potential confusion caused by the original 'Way In' sign which is still in place, and any plans for a defibrillator. CM would also speak to DCC Highways.
- 37(x) TB attended the OVW meeting and would report back at the next meeting.

43. Casual vacancies:

Councillors will continue canvassing for new members to be co-opted. It was suggested that the leaflet planned for distribution could help to increase interest.

44. County Councillors report:

CM reported that there were changes coming in to the bus route 40 from Aberwheeler to Rhyl and agreed to forward details to the clerk for inclusion on the website. RP would put the new timetables up on the gallery noticeboard.

CM also reported that Aberwheeler Community Council had now acquired a small plot of land by Efail y Waen with the intention of using it to build a community hall. County Councillor Merfyn Parry is setting up an action group and invited representatives from Bodfari to the first meeting on 2nd August. It was **RESOLVED** that RP, NLT, ER and AW would attend. DJ also planned to attend from the community.

45. Denbighshire County Council:

There were no new planning applications this month.

As DCC plan to replace missing footpath signs as a batch job, it was agreed that any missing signs would be identified and reported.

46. Finance:

- (i) Statements were circulated to the meeting. Vat refund receipt of £1055.93 was noted.
- (ii) An invoice had been received from Bodfari Environmental for the two repairs to the swing and the gate, as previously quoted at £456.00. It was **RESOLVED** to pay this.

47. Village playground / Recreation ground:

- (i) Inspection reports were collected. It was noted that the infestation on the fruit trees, which appeared to be a scale insect, was getting worse. It was also noted that some trimming is required on overhanging branches and trees growing through the fences. Further, all the tree stakes had been removed and the signs about clearing up after dogs were being taken down. ER reported that the school had discussed vandalism and appropriate behaviour in the park with the children. It was **RESOLVED** that NLT would draft a letter to go out to the children in the school, inviting them to volunteer to be Park Ambassadors.
- (ii) It was **RESOLVED** to hold an Apple Day on Sunday 15th October.
- (iii) It was agreed that NLT would liaise with the school regarding arranging an autumn herbwalk.
- (iv) Following suggestions made at the boules court opening day, it was **RESOLVED** that ER and RP would initiate boules sessions on Facebook, inviting people to form teams and let others know when they were available to play.

48. Information leaflet:

Following suggestions at the previous meeting, AW presented a draft of a leaflet to be distributed around the village, detailing the work of the community council and how to contact your councillor. It was **RESOLVED** that AW and ER would produce a finished version.

49. Village Committee:

Dee Jones attended the meeting on behalf of the village committee. Following difficulties using the marquees of the Aberwheeler Sports Committee, it had been decided by the committee that it would be sensible for one to be obtained for Bodfari; this could be stored in the church bier house and made available for the school, church, village committee and for hiring out. This was loosely costed at £1200 for a 4m x 12m structure and DJ asked that the community council could contribute to the fundraising, as they had previously planned to contribute to the Aberwheeler marquee.

It was **RESOLVED** that AW would talk to Aberwheeler regarding the arrangements for use of their marquees, that the clerk would check the council insurance to see if it would cover a new marquee without amendment, and that Dee would come back to the council with detailed costings and storage arrangements after consideration of the size and weight of the range of marquees available.

50. Training:

The clerk had circulated a list of training course currently available. It was agreed that councillors would let the clerk know if they wished to be booked on any of these courses.

51. Correspondence:

- (i) St Stephen's church – receipt for donation
- (ii) St Kentigerns – receipt for donation
- (iii) Urdd – receipt for donation
- (iv) SP Energy Networks – promotion of hotline number, clerk to request posters for display
- (v) David Davies – survey of website provision, clerk had responded with new website details

- (vi) OVW – conference and AGM 30th September 2017
- (vii) Trefnant Nature Time – July and August Events
- (viii) OVW bulletin – email 3rd July
- (ix) Dial a Ride AGM 31st July
- (x) Welsh Government consultation on broadband provision – councillors to respond
- (xi) Welsh Government Workshops for local government representatives on higher activity radioactive waste management and disposal – email 5th July

52: AOB

- (i) Green Flag – ER reported that Green Flag status had been awarded to the Bodfari playground. A press release template had been supplied, which the clerk would complete and put on the website. The clerk would obtain quotations for a flagpole by the next meeting. The new status opens up funding opportunities which ER will explore.
- (ii) The external inspection of the park had been carried out last week – the report has not yet been received but the clerk had been advised that the basket swing needed to be removed. This has been done and the clerk will obtain quotations to replace the swing by the next meeting.
- (iii) Further to the resolution on donations at the June meeting, the parents of Ella Roberts have agreed that the council will make a donation in her name to Ronald McDonald House Alder Hey, which provided them with support after her birth earlier this year. It was **RESOLVED** that £75 would be sent.

53. Date of next meeting:

Wednesday 13th September 2017 at 7.00pm at Ysgol Bodfari

Meeting closed at 9.05pm

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