

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BODFARI COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Held in the Dinorben Arms Bodfari and by ZOOM conferencing software at 7.00 pm Tuesday 9th May 2023

Present:

Cllr Martin Shutt (Chair)(MS)
Cllr Julie Burnage (Vice Chair) (JB)
Cllr Rebecca Parrin (RP)
Cllr Philip Barley (PB)
Cllr Sue Davidson (SD)
Cllr Alan Waterfield (AW)

Also present:

Heather Eubank (Clerk)

1. Apologies: None

2. Declaration of interests:

AW Declared an interest in item 9.

3. Urgent Matters: Notice of items which, in the opinion of the Chair, should be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency pursuant to Section 100B (4) of LGA 1972. None

4. To receive minutes of the meeting of 18th April 2023.

RESOLVED: That these minutes be approved as a true record

Proposed: **SD** Seconded: **MS**

5. Matters arising from previous minutes

- i. Tŷ Cerrig. Still Ongoing with DCC. Clerk spoke to RP and will follow up with DCC
- ii. Goalposts. Councillor Evans chasing Russ Welding. Clerk emailed other sports groups to find any recommendations.
- iii. Speed watch. Clerk emailed John Morris but could not contact, has tried another email address but no response yet. Clerk also spoke to Tremeirchion Clerk who has agreed to bring up at Tremeirchion CC's next meeting (20th May) with a view to sharing equipment and training.
- iv. Clerk Training and membership – SLCC Clerk enrolled for ILCA training and purchased membership
- v. Laptop and software – Clerk Purchased.
- vi. Pathway to park. Chris Evans reported the path to park from new estate on DCC reporting page. Advised other councillors to do the same and gain a reference number. Clerk emailed DCC requesting freedom of information on the commuted sums that were budgeted for the pathway and asked what the money has been spent on? Also raised the safety aspect of the children and parents accessing the park from the busy road leading to the Dinorben which has no footpaths. Given ref 00001018.
- vii. EV charging – School, Church, Dinorben not approached. Clerk Emailed Barry Mellor for information on proposed EV charging sites in Denbighshire. Barry replied to state he will gain information from relevant councillor and respond.
- viii. Storage Container. Clerk found another quote for buying and renting container but had not yet contacted David Meredith Jones.

Actions:

- i. Ty Cerrig – contact DCC. Clerk
- ii. Goalposts - Gain quotes from Russ Welding and others. Clerk.
- iii. Speed watch- Clerk to follow up with Tremeirchion Clerk after 20th May.
- iv. Complete
- v. Complete
- vi. Clerk to write letter to residents encouraging to also contact DCC about the lack of pathway and through which forum.
- vii. Clerk to send follow up email to Barry Mellor. Councillors to speak to school, church and Dinorben about the possibility of EV charging on their premises
- viii. Clerk to write letter to David Meredith Jones. AW suggested contacting large haulage companies to see if they have any redundant containers. AW also mentioned to ensure the containers were not registered for international travel as this could increase the price of the containers.

6. County Councillor's Report. This had been previously circulated. Cllr Evans also mentioned the lights at Maes Y Graig. The council had responded and done works and closed the C360. It was however noted that they had omitted to fit a new light as advised on the map as part of the original C360 submission (AW).

Action: Reopen C360 with DCC – AW.

7. Planning and Highways:

a) Highways

- i. MOLD ROAD NEAR ALLT Y DDOL BODFARI DENBIGH LL16 4DR GROVE LANE TO A541 CANDY MILL 13/06/2023 13/06/2023 Adnewyddu Polyn / Renew Pole SUNBELT RENTALS (DCC) BODFARI Ffordd ar Gau/Road Closure AOO/OOH C 0370 050 0792 0370 050 0792
- ii. TREMEIRCHION ROAD LL164EH PEN Y BRYN TO CEFN DU 15/05/2023 16/05/2023 Gwaith BT/ BT Works SUNBELT RENTALS (DCC) BODFARI Ffordd ar Gau/Road Closure AOO/OOH C 0370 050 0792 0370 050 0792

b) Planning:

- i. [41/2023/0170](#) Caravan At, Bryn Goleu, Pen Y Bryn to Cefn Du, Bodfari, LL16 4EH Lawful development certificate for the existing siting and use of static caravan within a defined curtilage for residential use (for information). Decision due 8th May 2023

No Action Required

8. Finance

Financial report: Bank balances at end April 2023. Reserve Account: £4454.45 Current Account. £13821.08

Payments:

i.	Clerk wages (Mel ab Owain) April 2023	£100.00
ii.	Clerk wages (Heather Eubank) April 2023	£203.11
iii.	Tax and Ni April 2023	£66.80
iv.	Clerk Expenses (Mel ab Owain) April 23	£60.69

v.	Insurance renewal Aviva	£313.37
vi.	Refund (HE) laptop plus software	£647.99*
vii.	SLCC joining and membership fee	£120.00*
viii.	SLCC qualifications fee (ILCA)	£144.00*

*See minutes 18/04/23 for agreed spend.

RESOLVED: That these be approved.

Proposed: **RP** Seconded: **PB**

9. Village Playground and Park

- i. Park inspection.
- ii. New swing base/swings.
- iii. Grounds Maintenance

AW went through the extensive report he submitted on 22-04-23 on areas of the park that needed attention. The council need to work through these and also write a new tenure document as a lot of the tree work could be included in the tenure when companies submit their quotes for the park maintenance going forwards.

Action:

- i. Contact Steve Cutmore re: the trees in park. Check the annual inspection doc re: slide and the 35mm gap – Clerk. New tenure doc – JB.
- ii. Letter to Bodfari Environmental to include concerns about the swing base, grass cuttings, strimming and boules court – Clerk.
- iii. Clerk to try again obtain 2 further quotes for Grounds Maintenance. AW has submitted a quote on behalf of Bodfari Environmental.
- iv. Notices – No Dogs Allowed and who to report damage or issues to - Clerk

10. Correspondence – none

11. Vacancy on the council.

BCC received 2 applications from Alan Shepherd and Julie Johnson. Applications were read out by the Chair - MS. BCC voted unanimously to appoint Julie Johnson.

Action – Clerk to write to both parties re: the decision. Julie Johnson to be invited to the next BCC meeting and to complete a Declaration of Acceptance.

12. Cost of Road sweeper and driver

BCC felt the sweeping of lanes in Bodfari was not a concern at this time but if this changes, would bear this initiative from Cllr Evans in mind as a consideration.

13. Lottery Funding/ Marquee

BCC congratulated SD on the successful lottery funding bid. £5205 has been received into BCC bank account and will need to be spent in the next 12-month period. SD stated there is a good chance that approval will be given to erect the Marquee in the school playing fields and there will be a meeting with DCC to confirm this. It is hoped that the Marquee will be erected in the last few weeks of summer term and it was thought best to just erect half of the Marquee at first. The only concerns DCC seem to have been when there is a generator on site and it was stipulated that the generator must be securely locked.

The land at the side of the Dinorben Arms had also been investigated as a possible site for the Marquee but the ground was found to be too hard so the decision was made to use the School Playing fields. SD asked about insurance and licences for the Marquee events.

AW suggested opening the sides of the Marquee to help the grass once the Marquee has been erected.

Actions:

- i. Send insurance documents to SD and MS and check that we are covered to hold events in the Marquee under our current insurance with BHIB. Gain licences for events from DCC as and when they are needed. Clerk
- ii. Create a separate accounting document for lottery fund income of £5205 and record expenditure against this amount as invoices are received. Clerk

14. Motions for 2023 AGM – One Voice Wales - None

A.O.B

PB and HE had noticed Register of Interest on website isn't up to date.

Action: Clerk to update.

Next meeting 7pm 13th June 2023 at Dinorben Arms.