

DRAFT MINUTES

Council Minutes Thursday December 8 2022 at 7pm

Present: E.R.Noble, C.L.Price, T.W.Jones, M.L.Hughes, M.Skerret.

Apologies: Liz Roberts, I.W.Griffiths, C.Brewer

Declaration of Interest. None.

Minutes. Council minutes 10.11.2022, confirmed, proposed M.Skerrett, seconded M.W.Hughes..

Police. Clerk had contacted an alternative member in the Police following information from Liz Roberts, no reply to date.

The A470. Information from Liz Roberts confirmed that a meeting has been arranged with J.Morris Police contact, regarding Community Speeding to obtain information as regards how the data is collated and distributed i.e. with the Police and NMWTRA.

County Council. Workmen have been at the Penrhiw Hill, understood that flooding is also an issue on the road near Ffridd. Cyfyng hill remains a problem. Contact Transport section at CCBC again to ask for a sign restricting cars from parking along the narrow road at Pont y Pant Station.

Footpaths.Reply from Simon Rogers National Trust confirming that it remains an intention by them to remove the 'ladders' this Winter. They need to contact other Bodies prior to doing this.

Bridges in the Area. No report from Liz Roberts but she is seeking more information from CCBC as there will be a need to harvest trees in Spring 2023, contact with Neil Dyson? Clerk has made contact with Bryn Shiland.

Planning

Ty'n Afallen - no decision

Bodygroes - “

Bridge Fedw “

3 Bron Llan - No objections.

Plans Tanrallt Farm - no objections.

Gwalia - nothing to report

Flooding Unfortunately 2 landowners are not willing to negotiate with CCBC so need to refer to Plan B, Officers will visit the Council to give a report once negotiations are complete. Imperative that 'a spade is dug into the ground' to ensure that work commences this year.

Scottish Power. Dim i'w adrodd.

Skip. Arranged for November 30, complaints received that people had no information about it even though the Clerk had sited posters widely about it a week prior to the date. Need to discuss local notifications again.

Toilets. Clerk had discussed opening 24/7 with Zac, he had some reservations and asked whether there was anything in the insurance policy about this?

Cenotaph The Cenotaph grounds looked really well for Remembrance Sunday, Chairman said he was grateful to all those who had been involved with this in anyway.

Work at the Cemetery. C.Brewer had prepared a detailed report regarding the work at the Cenotaph, the siting and switching on of the lights on the Xmas tree and the work at the Cemetery and the Chair thanked her for this. The wet weather is having an effect on the work of course so patience is required. CCBC are taking an interest in the work from a grant payment and timetable aspect.

Financial. Clerk reported to Members on the current financial situation, agreed on the bill payments, proposed T.W.Jones, seconded M.Skerrett, and all in favour. The final Precept payment will be paid in December.

Christmas Tree. The tree arrived safely and is in place, grateful thanks to Connie, ALFA staff especially A.Farrar and to Ken and Sel with the lighting. The switching on of the lights went well with the Ti a Fi children involved and having a visit from Father Xmas, everyone enjoyed a mince pie and mulled wine and the carol singing.

Council Website. M.Skerrett confirmed that the site had received around 400 visits.

Japanese Knotweed. Clerk has written to the landowner but no response to date, would having a word with A.Farrar ALFA be appropriate?

Logging. It was understood that the work is progressing well with no problems apparently.

Footpath near Ty'n y Bryn Quarry. L.Roberts not present but the general feeling was that having a stile at the site would be the solution?

Date of next Council. Agreed to meet next on Thursday January 12.