

Council Minutes at the Community Pavilion Thursday July 5th 2018 at 7:00pm.

Present: M.Skerrett, E.R.Noble, Marion L Hughes, Liz Roberts, M.Chapman, A.Fawcett, T.W.Jones.

Apologies: C.Brewer.

Minutes. Council Minutes 10.5.18, confirmed, proposed M.Chapman, seconded L.Roberts.

Police. Comments received from C.Brewer regarding the speeding through the village, we must get the authorities to consider the speed limit in the area or get a double white line arrangement, something must be done! Liz Roberts confirmed she had a rewarding meeting with NMWTRA and CCBC officials on July 2, she had discussed moving the 30mph sign near Pont Arenig, getting a sign near the Roman Bridge road entrance and had asked for a meeting in the village with an official from the Welsh Government to discuss the above issues and the speeding, in detail. A recent accident at the Village Square was as a direct result of driver error not on account of speeding.

The A470. L.Roberts took the opportunity at her recent meeting to discuss issues which had been raised for comment and attention and was informed that the path from the village to Pont y Pant, will receive attention 2 a year, trees/saplings along the road will be cleared, P.Brunton is looking into the causes of flooding across the road on the Crimea Pass. She had also noted the problem with water flowing down Allt Singrig onto the A470 and badly damaging the pavements.

County Council. L.Roberts confirmed that it was likely that work will take place on the Pont y Pant Bridge but not at Sarn Ddu Bridge. Clerk had received a complaint about the poor condition of the road off the A470 at Pont y Pant and had contacted CCBC, their reply confirmed that this issue will be seen to. Teleri W Jones had contacted the Clerk to report that oil was a problem on the A470 at Bertheos bend, again the Clerk had contacted the ERF Dept. who had confirmed that they were dealing with the problem.

Footpaths. Agreed that the Clerk should contact Ioan Davies for an update regarding the current situation with maintenance of footpaths in the area.

Station site. L.Roberts was anxious to remind everyone about the special events at the Station on August 4th. D.Standbury had arranged for the damaged walls to be repaired, Clerk to thank him.

Tree Harvesting Drosgol. E.Stevens has forwarded the Council inquiry to P.Lloyd.

The Cemetery/Cenotaph. No further information from C.Humphreys CCBC, Clerk to inquire as to whether they are coming to carry out any further work at the Cenotaph before the Winter?

Tree Harvesting Garnedd. Reply from CCBC confirming that repairs will take place in 'due course' along with attention to the pools of water. They will not be repairing the walls. Reply from Lansdown confirmed that the walls will be repaired in the Summer and that they have come to an agreement with CCBC regarding the road, CCBC will be responsible for the repairs and its maintenance.

3 Day Eryri Event. The event had taken place with no apparent problems.

IRPW. Members will need to review their decision annually.

Review Town & Community Councils. Letter received thanking Council for their comments.

Data Protection Regulation. Clerk confirmed that he found the course at Colwyn Bay very useful, it was obvious that it will involve much work. Information received from One Voice Wales confirmed that Council do not have to appoint a Data Protection Official.

Review of Electoral Arrangements Conwy. Council's comments have been sent, national discussions taking place would seem to suggest that no revision will take place.

Child Burial Fees. Nothing to report.

Sewage Issues. Clerk had contacted Gareth Roberts the Welsh Water official who met with Members at the site, he confirmed that the pumps have been strengthened and much maintenance work had taken place along the system to avoid a repetition of leakage from the site. They will be monitoring the site on a regular basis.

Land at Maes y Braich. Clerk to continue to discuss the situation at the land with G.Edwards and to ask him to carry out any work required at the site

Dog fouling. Clerk had arranged to purchase a new bin to be sited near to Bwlch Bridge, G.Roberts will carry out the work.

General. No response from M.Woosnam nor the National Park as regards creating a Remembrance Garden at the Cemetery, Clerk has written again.

Correspondences.

St Gwyddelan Flower Festival August 25-27. Invitation to prepare an arrangement received, M.Chapman said she would prepare one, she was warmly thanked for her offer.

National Park Meeting. Invitation to Plas y Brenin October 8th 6:30pm – 8:30pm.

Code of Conduct. Clerk to attend update meeting at Glasdir Llanrwst June 18th.

Conwy Clerks' Group. Meeting for Clerk to attend again at Glasdir June 6th.

Planning applications

Mur Coch Farm – Nothing to report

Woodland Plot Glan Gors – Nothing to report

Second application Tan y Castell – Nothing to report

'Telecommunication Dish' at the Pavilion – Nothing to report

Flooding. Reference was made to the meeting with Shaun Wasik on May 22nd and it was noted that from that discussion it was apparent that movement was taking place but that the process appeared to be complicated and long term? A business plan for Dolwyddelan has been prepared and Shaun and Liz Roberts were confident that it would be supported and approved. A.Fawcett emphasised that the Local Council should have a voice in the discussions and that they should meet and discuss with the Consultants. Shaun had attempted to explain that due processes had to be followed to get to a decision as regards funding improvements. An e.mail was received from Shaun following the meeting noting Adrian's concerns regarding the work his department are working on and asking if Adrian was prepared to think about solutions as to how to go about dealing with the flooding problem in the area. Adrian responded quite forcibly stating it was obvious, that in his opinion, Shaun and his team had not read nor considered his report, the Chairman and others attempted to pacify Adrian but he accused the Chairman and the Council of undermining his authority in this matter and said he was resigning from Council. Again the Chairman tried to reason with him pointing out that the Council had agreed to work with Shaun Wasik and that was the action they wished to take. He also pointed out that it was not up to

individuals to make their own decisions outside the wishes of Council. Adrian said that he didn't feel there was any purpose in him continuing as a Member and that he couldn't co-operate with the Chairman and walked out of the meeting. The Clerk followed him and managed to get him to return but as the discussion continued Adrian again reiterated that he didn't feel that he was getting any support and again resigned and walked out of the meeting. The Chairman expressed his disappointment with Adrian's response and emphasised that every Member was a part of a team working on behalf of the Community and that we all had to act within the Code of Conduct.

Hydro Scheme. Message from C.Brewer confirming that she had nothing to report and suggesting that it would be a good idea for the sub committee to meet with B.Burchell and S.Teale? July 31st was suggested as a possible date, Clerk and L.Roberts to contact S.Teale to arrange.

Financial. Clerk had distributed the regular financial report to Members which was fully discussed. Audit form already approved June 21 for the year ending March 31 2018 with the balances in line with the year ending bank statements.

Bills. Emptying dog waste bins Mai/Mehefin £60; Menter Siabod £10; Grass cutting May/June £765; Clerk April – June £250; Meithrinfa'r Felin flowers/work on the flower tubs £70; Macbear DVD £7.80; CCBC Community Centre £10. Bills for payment proposed E.R.Noble, seconded L.Roberts.. Following bill payments new balance £5202.20.

Date of next Council: Thursday September 13th 2018 at 7:00pm