

Council Minutes Thursday July 12 2023 at 7pm

Present: E.R.Noble, C.Brewer, T.W.Jones, C.L..Price, Liz Roberts.

Apologies: M.Skerrett, I.W.Griffiths, M.L.Hughes

Declaration of Interest. None

Council Minutes: Liz Roberts referred to the need to consider painting the bus shelter near the Square - Members to consider possible names for the Clerk to contact them. Following this comment minutes for meeting July 12 confirmed, proposed E.R.Noble, seconded L.Roberts and all in favour.

Police. Letter received from P.C.Jessica Williams Police Community Support Officer, she is the PCSO for the 'We Don't Buy Crime' initiative for Rural Conwy, they will be supporting the new initiative in various ways including holding events in local communities, these could be during the week or at weekends.

The A470. L.Roberts had received information confirming that the 30 mph sign will be moved back to the Pont Arenig lay by with appropriate road markings painted on the road surface. This will 'warn' drivers sooner that they are approaching the village. Following the introduction of the 20mph limit the speed of cars will be monitored and a new sign will be introduced triggered by cars' speed for monitoring and assessing speed. Noted that siting 20mph signs along Church Street, Bridge Street and Maes y Braich should also be considered..

County Council. Still no response from B.Shiland as regards the condition of the river bridge nor the wall along Bridge Street, Clerk to contact Andrew Wilkinson. Strong barriers have been sited at Allt Singrig to prevent drivers travelling along the road and causing further damage. M.Skerrett had confirmed that 'No through road' signs had been sited at the 'back road' at Pont y Pant, he didn't know if they had also been sited at the Hendre side.

Bridges in the Area. Clerk to contact Bryn Shiland for an update, no response to date.

Planning

Dulas Maes y Llan. No response.

Sarn Ddu Bridge. No response.

Bryn Teg. No response.

9 Maes y Llan: No response.

Flooding Liz Roberts intends to arrange a meeting, she will confirm the details when known.

Scottish Power. L.Roberts had met with the new NRW Team Leader who had confirmed that work should commence during August 2023 depending on the situation with birds nesting and the like, this would delay making a start on the work.

Toilets. Clerk was hopeful that all would be well during Zac's holiday period, he is hopeful that Zac has found someone to do the work in his place. The 'water station' on the toilet wall has been repaired, L.Roberts was thanked for contacting Gary Williams at CCBC to arrange this..As CCBC have arranged with a new company regarding making card payments at the toilets it is likely that the Community Council will need to pay, Clerk to discuss with G.Williams.

Cenotaph. C.Brewer noted that Dolwyddelan in Bloom members had been working at the grounds recently. Julie Bron Haul had presented the Clerk with a bill for plants etc. The Clerk

confirmed that Mark Woodward had offered to paint the railings at the grounds, Clerk confirmed that he had thanked him and confirmed that he had said that the Council would pay for the paint.

Work at the Cemetery. Some concerns regarding one of the gates not 'resting' properly when opened, Members have looked at it, contact with Iwan required? The issue with pot holes which flood during wet periods remains. Liz Roberts and C.Brewer were thanked for their continuing work with the development plans.

Clerk had contacted various Community Councils in the valley as regards their burial charges, following a reasoned discussion, it was agreed to raise the charge for the purchase of grave space and erection of a grave stone to local people to £300 and to £650 for those outside the village, proposed E.R.Noble, seconded L.Roberts and all in favour.

Financial. Clerk reported to Members on the current financial situation, agreed on the bill payments, proposed C.Brewer, seconded C.L.Price, and all in favour.

Japanese Knotweed. Understood that the land has been sold.

Skip. Clerk has arranged a skip visit for July.

Defibrillator. Liz Roberts has discussed the possibility of having Defibrillators at Pont y Pant and Roman Bridge stations with Mel Lawton and is waiting for a response from her.

Bus Service. Liz Roberts confirmed that she has had detailed discussions with the CCBC transport team to ask them to consider providing a Flexi Bus Service for the area, she is very hopeful that this will happen.

Flower boxes alongside the A470. Eurwyn Roberts has planted flowers in the boxes alongside the A470 and they look really good..

Tanrallt Houses. L.Roberts is hoping she can arrange to visit the houses with the Tenants Official - understood that some repairs are to be carried out on some houses.

Pont Arenig lay by. Clerk to contact CADW to ask them to provide a bilingual sign at the lay by to confirm that Public Toilets are provided at the village Square.

Trees alongside the road alongside the River Bridge. Clerk to contact CCBC to ask them to cut the branches overhanging into the road.

Date of next Council. Agreed to meet next on Thursday September 14..