

DRAFT MINUTES

Council Minutes Thursday November 10 2022 at 7pm

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

Apologies: C.Brewer

Declaration of Interest: None.

Minutes. Council minutes 13.10.2022, confirmed, proposed I.W.Griffiths, seconded C.L.Price.

Police. L.Roberts had discussed the situation in the village with Police Sgt Richard Evans and complained about the fact that no PCSO service is offered, Liz would favour having a meeting with officers to discuss the issue. She will provide the Clerk with contact details.

The A470. Clerk had supplied L.Roberts with correspondence that Council had received in relation to the A470 for Llyr H Gruffydd AM' attention. Photo of Rhian and Penny who are proactive in using the 'speed gun' in the village had appeared in the Daily Post.

County Council. No response to the request for a 'No through road' sign on the road near Pont y Pant station.

Footpaths. Clerk to contact Simon Rogers at the National Trust head office regarding the 'ladder' at Granllyn.

Bridges in the Area. Liz Roberts understood that a planning application for a 40T weight limit for the Sarn Ddu bridge had been submitted. Clerk to contact B.Shilland regarding the other 2 bridges in the area.

Planning

Ty'n Afallen - no decision

Bodygroes - “

Bridge Fedw “

3 Bron Llan - No objections.

Plans Tanrallt Farm - no objections.

Gwalia - no decision

Flooding The Chairman and L.Roberts are in discussions with E.Williams regarding the situation at the Meadow area.

Scottish Power. It is likely that no information regarding developments for felling trees in the Hafod Gwenllian and Gorddinan areas will be received until Spring..

Toilets. Clerk is arranging direct debit payments to pay for the electricity at the toilets. Comments were received from Zac as regards opening the toilets 24 hours a day - he suggested opening until 10:30pm but was worried that this may cause difficulties? Is there anything included in the insurance policy regarding opening hours? He suggested amending his working hours to 3 hours a week throughout the year - Members unanimously agreed to this.

Cenotaph Comments received from C.Brewer who was'nt able to attend the meeting, the craft work of soldiers created by M.Woodward is in place at the grounds and is very striking, Clerk to write to Mark to thank him. Work to repair the pillar will be completed by Remembrance Sunday along with repairs to the 'cast' fencing.

Work at the Cemetery. C.Brewer had provided an update as regards the work with comments relating to differing aspects of the work such as the walling, work on the gates, bulb planting and repairs to the slate plaques near the entrance to the cemetery. Once again the Chairman thanked Connie for her report.

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. Clerk confirmed he was meeting with Iona Edwards at Llanrwst on Tuesday.

Christmas Tree. C.Brewer had confirmed that she had arranged for the supply of a tree which should arrive on November 28, ALFA workmen will site it on the square in time for the switching on of the lights on December 2 at 5:30pm. Again she was warmly thanked for arranging all this.

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.

Logging. Letter received from Natural Resources Wales noting their intention to commence tree felling at Ty'n y Cwm in the near future and giving details of the work and timings, Clerk had contacted the local agent Carwen Evans who had confirmed that they will ensure lorries will not be active in the mornings nor afternoons when the children will be going to and from the school. There will be a need to keep an eye on the situation.

Castle Car Park. Discussion about the fact that the car park is closed and no entrance to the castle, agreed that L.Roberts and C.L.Price would discuss with the Authority.

Footpath near Ty'n y Bryn Quarry. Understood that there was an 'issue' with barriers on the path, L.Roberts and Chair to discuss with E.Williams.

First Responder. I.W.Griffiths was congratulated on deciding to seek training to become a first responder, an important and responsible post.

Translator. Glyn had confirmed this would be the final meeting he could attend as pressure of work and family responsibilities were making it really difficult for him to attend. The Chairman thanked Glyn warmly for his excellent work on behalf of the Council.

Date of next Council. Agreed to meet next on Thursday December 8.