

Council Minutes at the Community Centre Thursday September 11 2014 at 7pm.

Present: E.R.Noble, J.Houston, Liz Roberts, Teleri W Jones, T.Jones, M.Skerrett, A.Fawcett.

Apology: C.Roberts, M.Chapman, C.Brewer.

Prayer. Council were lead in Prayer by the Chairperson.

Minutes. Council Minutes 3.7.2014. confirmed, proposed by J.Houston, seconded T.W.Jones.

Police. Detailed reply received from P.Gales explaining how he goes about Policing the area, he has visited the area on numerous occasions recently.

The A470. Reply from I.Tegid confirming there will an early, detailed research into the condition of the road and signage at Bertheos Bridge. G.Roberts, Gorddian had a nasty experience recently with a speeding driver and the Clerk had reported this. Liz Roberts understands that new signs will be sited there soon. An accident has taken place at the Granllyn bend.

County Council. The Clerk confirmed that K.Jones at the Council Depot at Llanrwst had responded promptly to his request to clear ragwort in the area. Clerk to ask him to have a look at the condition of the hedge opposite to 5 and 6 Maes y Braich.

Station site. The question of having 20mph signs near to schools has been referred to the Task & Finish Group at Conwy Council – each request is to be dealt with on its merit. Clerk to write to Neil Chapman to thank him for his work erecting the new sign at the Station site.

Menter Siabod. Teleri W Jones confirmed that a Fun Day has been organised for Saturday September 27 with many activities to take place.

Hydro Scheme. M.Skerrett confirmed that there are issues involved with the funding to connect the scheme to the national grid, can the charges be shared with others, discussions are continuing.

Footpaths. P.Rutherford had confirmed that the agreement with the National Park continues. D.Roberts at the Llanrwst Council Depot is to arrange for the sign near Bertheos to be resited. Clerk to contact V.Currie to ask for work to be carried out along 'llwybyr cul'.

The Cemetery. Clerk has met with the Caretaker, agreed that the grass at the Cenotaph should be cut more often than quoted on the agreement, it was agreed that the contract should be discussed carefully prior to next season, cutting the grass at the Cemetery twice a month possibly?

Financial. Clerk confirmed current balances and supplied Members with a detailed financial report.

Japanese Knotweed. Gary Edwards will be working on the site again in the Autumn.

Website. N.Ferguson visited the area to take photographs to be included on the website.

Village History. Medwen Roberts from Tanygrisiau will call on the Clerk to discuss the project.

The First World War. The Remembrance Service at the Cenotaph on August 22nd went very well with good local support, C.Brewer and Liz Roberts were warmly thanked for arranging the event.

The Pavilion. Liz Roberts confirmed that the priority is to secure funding for Michelle's post and that they are working hard on this. The aim is to help everyone in the area, individuals and groups, they must raise awareness of what is available at the pavilion. The question of Community Council support was discussed, raising the Precept is an option but if this was to happen the villagers would have to be told about the situation and what use was to be made of the funding. Agreed that the representatives should give an update when details are available which would allow the discussions to continue.

Planning applications

Caedu – Allowed

Tanaeldroch. – No information.

Lifting the Section 106 on 2 houses at Rathbone Terrace – An appeal has been submitted

Retrospective application re Arqiva Transmitting Station – No objections.

Bodegroes – Refused but a further application has been made.

Breffni – Allowed

Tyn Coed – No objections to a retrospective plan to changes to domestic curtilage.

New applications

Gwyndy – Application to remove numerous planning clauses. Members felt they did not have the required expertise to offer comments and Richard Thomas has already advised the applicant.

Bills. Bills referred by the Clerk discussed and agreed for payment, proposed T.W.Jones, seconded Tecwyn Jones. 2nd £2000 Precept payment received from Conwy Council.

Dogs fouling. The Dog Warden has visited the area and submitted a report, Liz Roberts has met with local complainants, Liz has finally been able to have the area confirmed as a 'hot spot' area and should receive special attention, this was welcomed and Liz was thanked for her work.

Traffic issues. Reply from I.Tegid regarding cars parking along both sides on Castle Terrace, he had suggestions but further information was required. Teleri Jones noted that visibility from the Sqræe up the hill was a problem. Clerk to ask I.Tegid to come and meet him for a site visit. Letter to Conwy Council to discuss having speed bumps at Maes y Braich.

Sports Awards. Thank you letter received from R.Johncock, agreed to nominate her for an award.

Tanrallt. Clerk has received confirmation that 2 of the bungalows are available to rent.

Remembrance Bench. Letter from H.Chapman asked for advice from the Council on behalf of a person who wanted to site a bench in the area, Clerk to discuss with Helen.

Village Surgery. M.Skerrett noted that many villagers are concerned about its future as Doctors are retiring in the new year, noting her interest, Liz Roberts said that the Betsi Cadwaladr Health Board are looking into the possibility of funding Doctors for the practice.

Bridge at Penamnen. Teleri W.Jones was concerned that the surface of the new river bridge was very slippery, Clerk to contact E.Stevens.

Date of next Council: Thursday November 6 2014 at 7pm.