

CYNGOR Y CYMUNED – LLANFERRES – COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of the General Meeting Held Thursday 9th FEBRUARY 2017

Present: Cllr. David Jones (Chair), Cllr John Almond, Cllr D Twomey, Cllr. Margaret Davies, Cllr. Rob Jones, Cllr. Rob Armstrong, Cllr Adrian Walls, Cllr. Jac Armstrong, Cllr Martyn Holland County Councillor and the Clerk, Mrs. Dillon. Members of the public were present.

- 1 **Apologies:** Cllr Yvonne Foden-McCorry,
- 2 **Meeting Open to Public** – The sign showing the Tourist Route in Maeshafn, is pointing in the wrong direction. *Report to Flintshire*
- 3 **Declarations of Interest** - None declared.
- 4 **Minutes of the Meeting Held 12th January 2017** - The Minutes of the General Meeting held on 12th January 2016 were received and signed as a correct record by the Chairman, subject to the following amendments:
'The Minutes of the Meeting held 8th October 2016' should read -
The Minutes of the Meeting held 8th December 2016'.
Training & Financial Issues – *'(£500 has been set aside for the last five years.....)* Should read: *(£500 has been set aside for the last three years.....)*.
- 5 **Matters Arising** -
 - a. The Notice Board, removed from Loggerheads by Countryside Services. The new oakwood legs have now been ordered at a cost of £90.00 plus the cost of nuts and bolts. Countryside Services will be responsible for re-siting the board.
 - b.) Llanferres Playing and Recreation Association had a good meeting held recently and the Park is now open again.
 - c.) The white paint for the edge of the steps on the footpath from Cae Gwyn is yet to be completed. (Cllr Walls).
- 6 **County Councillor's Report** – Cllr Holland confirmed that;
 - 1) the Waste Disposal Collections Diary has now been circulated to all households.
 - 2) Cllr Holland has asked that the new Loggerheads Car Park be brought up before the Scrutiny Committee due to the design problems with access.
 - 3) The mobile mast (Flintshire) situated in the area is causing problems.
 - 4) The fire-damaged vehicle on the A494 has been removed.
 - 5) Flintshire County Council is now responsible for the trunk roads in our area.
 - 6) There are great concerns with regard to dog fouling in Moel Famau as irresponsible owners are failing to 'clean up'.
 - 7) Due to the number of 'Not Spots' linked to Broadband in the area, the Welsh Minister is to attend a Public Meeting to be held in Llanarmon-yn-Ial
- 8 **Reports from Other Meetings** - none reported.
- 9 **Maintenance in the Community** – no new items reported. Still ongoing: the repair to the Millennium Fountain (to be repaired after the frosts). We require a better sign at the end of Rectory Lane 'Unsuitable for Heavy Vehicles' as very large lorries continue to access the lane and are unable to turn around.
- 10 **Christmas Lights in Maeshafn/Llanferres** – ongoing.
- 11 **Red Telephone Kiosk/s** – we are awaiting the next step.
- 12 **BT Telephone Kiosk in Tyn Llan** – no responses have been received from the community.
- 13 **Memorial Stone** – as under Maintenance in the Community.
- 14 **Risk Assessments** – none raised.
- 15 **Maes Ysgawen– Community Open Space** – The future Maintenance Plan, was agreed by the Community Council (total annual approx. cost £1180.00). It was proposed to create the wild flower meadows for the coming spring. The stream running alongside the field was

under comment. A full discussion following a site visit, will discuss the possibility of forming rock pools to slow the water progress during heavy rainfall. **Agenda Item*

Date Signed

16 Maeshafn Play Area – The necessary paperwork has now been signed without the need to have the current plan altered. If the size of the play area is deemed too large, then it may necessitate a further discussion with the Wild Life Trust on completion. The overgrown hedgerow has now been trimmed thanks to Cllr Rob Jones.

17 Training & Finance Issues Training Issues – none at present.
Finance Issues – a Precept preparation spreadsheet was circulated and discussed. With an election taking place this year, the sum of £1500.00 will be made available from the Revenue Reserves to cover the expenses. (£500 has been set aside each year for the last five years to meet this expense). The Precept (in real terms) has been kept or reduced over recent years. **Resolved: The Community Council agreed that the Precept be set at £8250 for 2017/2018.**

18 Bills AVOW/Clerk's Salary £238.08

Verbal confirmation of the Invoice (not yet received) for the External Audit will amount to £276.00

19 Planning Matters. None received.

20 Correspondence list – items of correspondence were discussed as above. It was agreed to include an article in the News & Views (together with a map of the community) to publicise the forthcoming Election in May 2017.

21 Other Matters Brought to Councillor's attention:

- a) It was drawn to the Community Council's attention that there was a tree leaning at the top of the Heulog Hill which may need checking. Also, another tree near to the upper entrance to Bryn Sirion Maeshafn.
- b) A complaint had been made that the street lighting in Cae Gwyn was too bright. As the Community Council are not responsible for street lighting, the matter should be referred to the County.

22 Date of next Meeting: A General Meeting is scheduled to take place on Thursday 9th February 2017 at **7:30** pm in Llanferres Village Hall.

Date:

Chairman