

GWERNAFFIELD AND PANTYWMYN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ZOOM (VIRTUAL) MEETING

2nd June 2021

GENERAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

1.(A) Attendance (B) Apologies

(A) Councillors: David Bolton (Chair) Adrian Barsby, Ruth Appleton (Vice Chair), David Coggins Cogan, Sue Coles, Robin Edwards, John Elcock, Rob Challinor and George Tattum.

Stand in Clerk: Margaret Narburgh

(B) Apologies Kate Johnson and Karen Armstrong

2. Declaration of interests in relation to the listed agenda items.

None declared

3. To approve minutes of the AGM and General meeting on 5th May 2021

RESOLVED: The minutes of the last meeting were proposed by Cllr. Edwards and seconded by Cllr. Barsby and will be signed as an accurate record of the meeting.

4. To consider Streetscene Matters

1. The hedge has still not been cut at The Seven Styles footpath sign on Cilcain Road opposite the bus terminal and opposite the junction with Cefn Bychan Road so the sign cannot be seen.
2. Cllr Bolton has contacted Flintshire re speed restriction signs and they have agreed to install 30 mph signs at the end of the year when they re-surface the road. The position of 30mph decals on the road surface will be decided by the cc in conjunction with FCC. Separately the positioning of an interactive 30mph sign in Pantymwyn has been agreed by FCC but its position will be dependant on a power source unless a solar panel is used. **Action: Cllrs to consider what style of sign they want.**
3. Cllr Barsby had looked at the dog waste bin near the Golf Club and only had 2 packs of bags left. Cllr Coles offered to check the bin in Gwernaffield in future given the Clerk would no longer be passing it on her way to school.
4. Cllr Edwards e-mails to Gareth at Deeco Lighting regarding street lighting are bouncing back as undeliverable. He has left a telephone message and is now waiting for him to ring back. There are 3 issues needing attention:
 - a. Light on main road at Gwernaffield just after the Hand pub is on 24 hours a day.
 - b. The lamp in the light on the left further up the road is not working. Scottish Power have confirmed there is a live feed at the timer in the sub-station so fuse needs checking to establish if a new one is needed or if the timer needs re-setting
 - c. The light at the entrance to Cefn Bychan woods needs replacing with an LED lamp. Cllr Bolton has received a map from Flintshire showing the location of all street lights and has identified 2 are missing – one outside Norland's and the other at the entrance to Cefn woods.
5. Cllr Coles has reported the flooding across the Cadole Road due to 2 grids being full of silt washed down from the field but no action has been taken. **Action: Cllr Coles to chase**

5. Councillor Vacancy

No one has called for an election to take place so the vacancy can now be advertised.

Action: Clerk to issue Co-option notice

6. To approve the June Accounts for Payment

Standing order	K Roberts	Monthly Salary/HOA	767.56
Direct debit	Scottish Power	Street Light Electric	Awaiting invoice
Bank transfer	JRB Enterprises Ltd	1,600 dog waste bags	69.90
Bank transfer	JDH Business Supplies	Internal audit fee 2020-21	264.60
Bank transfer	One Voice Wales	Cllr training	30.00

Cllr Appleton proposed the June accounts be accepted; Cllr Coles seconded.

Cllr Bolton stated the bank reconciliation statement look very health at £37,000 but there were 2 outstanding payments to be made. One for the playground at £7000 and the other for the interactive speed sign in Pantymwyn. This would bring the amount down to just below last years level. Cllr Edwards thought there would be additional spending required on lighting and would report back to the Council with proposals. The Annual Accounting Statement had been received from the internal auditors.

Cllr Coles proposed the bank reconciliation statement and Annual Accounting Statement be accepted; Cllr Edwards seconded. **Action: Clerk to arrange for Chair to sign**

7. Purchase of Year 6 Leavers Gifts for Ysgol Y Waun

Cllr Appleton proposed the Clerk purchase the calculators as previously discussed; Cllr Tattum seconded. **Action: Clerk to speak to school and arrange date for presentation.**

8. To receive an update on community events and consider a deadline for the next newsletter.

Cllrs Appleton and Coles are not aware of anything on the agenda and stated that as Kate Johnson lead the Newsletter she was the best person to provide an update at the next meeting. Cllr Bolton felt a contents list would help plan ahead. Cllr Appleton stated there used to be 4 published per annum but it was now reduced to 2 in Spring and Autumn.

9. To receive verbal update from Community Road Safety Committee

The installation of the interactive speed sign in Pantymwyn is dependent on FCC & no time frame has been put forward by them. Councillor Dave Bolton will contact Andy Lightfoot to ascertain a likely time frame.

Flintshire continue to state there are no speeding issues and monitoring regularly records speeds of 30 to 32 mph. They would be surveying the road again at the end of 2021. Installation of interactive road speed signs could take years to install. Cllr Challinor insisted motorists were hitting the 30mph sign in Cilcian at 60 mph and suggested moving the measuring cables closer to the sign at the top of the hill for more accurate readings. Cllr Coles reported speeds of over 60 mph on the Cadole road which is particularly dangerous given the narrow roads. **Action: Arrange meeting of Road Safety Committee to discuss. Cllr Bolton to chase Claire Parry**

10. (A) Planning Applications (B) Planning Decisions

(A) Planning Application Ref: 062442 Pantybuarth Gwernaffield – Cllrs felt this has already been dealt with and had no further comment to make

Planning Application Ref: 062837 Fellside, Pantymwyn – As an aside the residents at Fellside had complained about not being consulted by FCC regarding a previous planning application for an adjacent property. They have now applied for their own planning to build above their single story garage. Cllr Tattum felt the development was in keeping with the rest of the property. Cllr Tattum proposed offering no objections; Cllr Edwards seconded and all other Councillors voted in favour. **Action: Clerk to write to planning.**

Planning Application Ref: Holmscales had been granted permission to fell a large tree that was damaging the drive earlier and were now applying to drop the kerb and widen the drive. Cllrs felt this was appropriate. **Action: Clerk to notify planning that no objections raised.**

(B) Planning Application Ref: 062489 Norlands, Pantymwyn had been approved

11. To consider items for the next meeting on Wednesday 7th July 2021

Cllr Elcock stated that street lighting was needed near his home. Cllr Bolton assured him this would be on the agenda when the Road Safety Committee meets.

Cllr Bolton stated that someone had hacked his e-mail account and Councillors may have received bogus e-mails from him. He had been told Zoom meetings were easy to hack. Cllr Barsby stated information re contact details was probably being harvested from the Councils website.

Cllr Bolton stated they should re-assess holding face to face meetings after the summer recess.

It was suggested the next Newsletter could include information relating to being a 'good neighbour', especially in relation to erecting garden buildings that could effect neighbours. Cllr Coles cautioned to be very careful on the wording.

The meeting was closed at 19.50

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