

GWERNAFFIELD AND PANTYMYN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Gwernaffield and Pantymwyn Community Council held on 2 March 2016 at Ysgol Y Waun.

Present

Councillor A Barsby, Councillor J Elcock, Councillor C Garrett, Councillor C Hopwood, Councillor R Hughes, Councillor R Morgan, Councillor L Pritchard (Chair), Councillor G Tattum.

In Attendance County Councillor Adele Davies – Cooke and Mrs K L Roberts – Clerk.

1. Apologies for absence

Councillor D Bolton, Councillor R Edwards, Councillor L Jones, Councillor K Williams

2. Approval of Minutes

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting of the council held on 3 February 2016 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Cllr G Tattum seconded by Cllr. C Garrett.

3. Declarations of Interest

None.

4. Matters Arising from the last minutes

Point 4 Cilcain road should state Cadole road.

5. Matters Arising

Website training had taken place on 26 February 2016 and those who attended can now update the community council website. This will allow timely updating of agendas, minutes and other points of interest for the community. Work has already started on updating the website which can be viewed at www.gwernaffield.org.uk. Cllr. Pritchard asked all councillors in particular to look at the Business Contacts under ABC on the website and report any updates required.

6. Clerks Update and Correspondence

The clerk reported on a letter received from the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales who have produced their annual report which can be viewed using the following link: <http://gov.wales/irpws/sub/home/publication/2016-17/irp-annual-report-2016-17>

Mr C.A.Mills, Manager of Mold Golf Club had responded to community council communication with regard to safety concerns expressed for people using the entrance/exit to the golf club. They will erect notices and advise members/users to be cautious. The golf club share the same concern and this was the reason they erected mirrors opposite the entrance to assist drivers. Some years ago there was a proposal to move the exit to a position higher up which was unfortunately not supported by the community or the community council and the golf club wondered had this changed? A councillor at that time recalled the objection to the proposal being from highways. Councillors requested a second communication be sent to request consideration of lowering the hedge or widening the existing entrance/exit to improve visibility.

7. To confirm date and time of the Annual Litter Pick

Councillor Pritchard gave members a provisional date of 16 April 2016 for the annual litter pick at 11.30am at Pantymwyn Village Hall. This time and date would need to be checked with Gwernaffield Village Hall. It is hoped that more members of the community together with community groups will join in this year.

8. To confirm insurance provider for 2016/2017

Zurich will provide the insurance for 2016/2017 at a cost of £380.91 inclusive of the community street lighting (£153.26).

RESOLVED That Community Council street lighting to be included on the asset register at a cost of £153.26.

9. Footway Lighting Renewal Project

Cllr. Barsby reported he has been given a contact with Cadwyn Clwyd and an application to request funding from them will be made from May 2016 by the lighting subcommittee. An earlier feasibility study conducted may help enable a consideration of partial solar energy.

Cllr. Bolton, is reviewing the number of street lights. The clerk had forwarded a draft example of a tender from Flintshire County Council to enable a specification of works to be drafted.

The clerk had received a request for information from SP Energy Networks. She will collate information required to enable the unmetered readings to be reviewed and updated.

10. To complete the transfer form for ownership of Gwernaffield Playing Fields/Park (GPF)

Cllr Pritchard and the clerk had met with the solicitor and transfer paperwork was brought to the meeting.

Mr Ian Haigh an existing trustee had stated there was £1000 in their account which was an award from community chest toward maintenance of GPF he is seeking guidance on the conditions of the award. It is understood it needs to be spent in this financial year by them before the transfer is completed.

RESOLVED The transfer document prepared by Capper Jones Solicitors was signed in the presence of the council by Cllr Pritchard and the clerk, as proper officer.

This will safeguard GPF as a play area now and in the future.

A separate fundraising group will be established. Enquiries on registering as a charity will commence when the transfer is complete.

11. To discuss nominations for chair and vice chair

Cllr. Pritchard asked councillors with an interest in the position of chair or vice chair to put their names forward to the clerk before the AGM meeting in May 2016. Procedure is to have a proposer and seconder and the vote will take place at the meeting by show of hands.

12. Planning

There were no planning applications to be considered by council.

13. RESOLVED: Accounts for payment

Clerk's Salary	100711	£301.15
Chairman's Allowance	100712	£250.00
Website Training Session (2 members and clerk)	100713	£60.00
SLCC Training Course (clerk)	100714	90.00
HMRC Income Tax	100715	£53.00
Zurich Municipal Insurance (annual premium)	100716	£380.91
Scottish Power (electricity)	100717	£294.78

General matters raised by members

New village signage was discussed - 3 signs. Cllr. Jones has obtained funding from a company to cover costs. Wording was agreed to include village name and reference to driving carefully in the villages and a new sign for Gwernaffield Playing Fields/Park. Streetscene have offered to erect the signs free of charge.

Concern with regard to blasting noise from the quarry. As council representative on the quarry liaison meetings Cllr. Tattum will make contact with the quarry to find out when the next meeting is to take place.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm.