

CYNGOR CYMUNED CORRIS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Cofnodion Cyfarfod Gynhaliwyd Minutes of the Meeting 11 Tachwedd/November 2021

PRESENNOL/PRESENT Cllrs.

Cllr. R. Edwards
Cllr. J. Mumford

Cllr. T. Edwards
Cllr. M. Olsson

Cllr. A. Jones
Cllr. J. Tayler

PRESENNOL/PRESENT (ZOOM)

Cllr. E. Jones

Cllr. S. Wells

PRESENNOL HEFYD/ ALSO PRESENT

Clerk S. Mumford C. Cllr J. Pughe Roberts

The Meeting was declared open at 7.00pm

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- 75 Ymddiheuriadau/Apologies. None.
- 76 Cyhoeddiadau/Announcements. Cllr. M. Olsson expressed condolences to the Clerk on her recent bereavement. Cllr. M. Olsson also expressed sympathies to the family of ex-Cllr. S. Quincey who has been seriously unwell recently. It was RESOLVED to send a get-well card, considering the many years of service he gave to the community.
- 77 Confidential matters. Community Council land was discussed and grass cutting quotes were opened and reviewed.
- 78 Cofrestrriad o ddiddordeb/Registration of interest Cllr. J. Mumford item 82. b and 87. Cllr. J. Davies 84. c.
- 79 Cofnodion cyfarfod/Minutes of meeting.
a) Accept Minutes of the Meeting 07/10/21. Cllr. S. Wells noted a spelling mistake in point 71. viii. Cllr. J. Davies' name was omitted from the copy circulated. It was RESOLVED this could be corrected and Cllr. R. Edwards proposed the minutes as an accurate record and Cllr. J. Taylor seconded them.
- 80 Cynllunio/Planning. None received.
- 81 Materion mynwentydd/Cemetery matters.
a) Tools for shed. Tools have been purchased and an invoice submitted for £108.49. It was RESOLVED in 64. a. for the **Clerk to refund the costs** to Cllr. R. Edwards under the Parks and Pleasure Grounds Powers; Open Spaces Act 1906. Ss. 9 and 10.
b) Decisions on grass cutting contracts. It was RESOLVED to accept the grass cutting quote from Dan Owen. **Clerk to arrange a meeting** with Mr. Owen. **Clerk to email all applicants** with decisions and thank them.
c) Cemetery rules. It was RESOLVED for the **Clerk to re-word** section 7 and 8, then for the Clerk and Chairperson to accept and sign.
d) Clerk emailed GCC in October about dog fouling signs, no reply. It was RESOLVED that the **Clerk will email again** and copy in C. Cllr. J. Pughe Roberts.
e) Cllrs. J. Mumford, T. Edwards and A. Jones met at the Cemetery with Mr. A. Taylor to inspect the gravestones. Some were laid flat as were too dangerous to leave; the

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remaining hazardous stones have been taped with red and white tape. Cllr. T. Edwards has spoken to one of the family members. Cllr A. Jones and Cllr. J. Mumford will collate the rest of the information for the families to be contacted where possible. It was RESOLVED that the **Clerk will contact I. B. Williams** Stonemason, Llanbrynmair, to discuss options.

- 82 f) **Cllr. T. Edwards will arrange** for crosses to be made to mark the pre-paid graves.
Playing areas/fields and communal areas.
- a) Playgrounds. Grant from GCC. The playground inspection raised some concerns 1) the matting areas needs attention, there are some areas where nails are protruding from the wood and the edges where the wood has rotted away is a trip hazard. 2) Someone has made a temporary repair to the fence with a metal spike this needs removing and the fence repairing. 3) The OXO game under the climbing frame is missing parts and those left are broken. 4) some parts of the equipment frames are rusty. 5) Some of the trees are overgrown and need cutting back and the ground cover plants also needs clearing. A clean-up day has been organised for 20/11/2021 to makes some repairs, tidy up and to get costings for repainting the rusted parts. It was RESOLVED for the **Clerk to contact G. L. Jones** about quotes for matting and the OXO game to be repaired. It was also RESOLVED that **Cllr. M. Olsson would place a notice** on the Facebook page to notify residents of the clean-up day ask for volunteers to help with the work. GCC have a grant available for £15000, it was RESOLVED that **Cllr. E. Jones and the clerk will get quotes** and apply.
- b) KGV playing fields. Review letter. A letter was received from the owners of the field adjacent to KGV playing fields. They believe the fence between their field and the river is the responsibility of GCC, it was RESOLVED that the **clerk will forward** the letter to GCC and ask them to investigate the matter. **Cllr. J. Mumford will get costings** for a gate to go in the fence between the playing field and the pump track.
- 83 Ysgol Corris School update. On the day of the meeting the children chose a new school council, and their first task was to find out what the children would like in the playground. They found the most popular item requested was a trampoline and second most popular were monkey bars. Cllrs. will include this in their grant application to GCC. The school has had 2 positive cases of Covid, but the staff continue to test themselves regularly and children continue with handwashing etc.
- 84 Ffyrdd, Pont Dyfi ac coedwigaeth /Roads, Dyfi Bridge, and forestry.
- a) Road closures update. No Update.
- b) Flooding in Aberllefenni. Cllr. J. Pughe Roberts confirmed GCC will liaise with NRW to find a solution to the flooding.
- c) Dyfi Bridge updates. Works proceeding as planned.
- d) Parking in the main and overspill car park updates. GCC have advised that vehicles parked in the Community Council car park cannot be SORN as these vehicles can only be on private land. It was RESOLVED that the **Clerk write to the owner** of the SORN vehicle asking for it to be removed by the clean up day on 20/11/21. The ground cover plants, and hedge will be cut back once it has been removed, allowing cars to park closer to the fence to hopefully create more spaces.
- e) The road will be resurfaced between Aberllefenni and the old school to repair damage caused by the timber wagons.
- f) Complaints from residents about parking on the double yellow lines opposite Chapel Street. C. Cllr. J. Pughe Roberts advised residents to take photos and email them to the police.
- g) The bins near the old scout camp have been taken away and there has been a lot of rubbish left. It was RESOLVED that the **Clerk will email GCC** asking for the bin to be replaced and the area cleaned up.

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- h) No email back from Tillhill about a donation to the school, it was RESOLVED that the **Clerk will email again**.
- i) The footbridge in Corris Uchaf near the layby has been repaired to a high standard.
- j) The trees in Corris Uchaf have now been felled.

85 Meddiantiau/Assets

- a) Defibrillator in Pantperthog. **Cllr. R. Edwards and Cllr. S. Wells will meet** to check the battery on the Pantperthog defibrillator. Corris and Aberllefenni both checked and in good working order. **Clerk to update details** on The Circuit.
- b) Toilets Corris Uchaf. The contract has been sent to GCC. It was RESOLVED that the **Clerk will email for account details** to make the payment.
- c) Parking adjacent to Fron Haul Corris. No reply from Adre, it was RESOLVED that the **Clerk will email again** asking for action.
- d) Bus shelter relocation. The bus shelter was removed 2 weeks earlier than stated and taken away. Clerk spoke to GCC who could return the shelter to the village, though it was in a bad state of repair. It was RESOLVED the **Clerk will email** stating that the Cllrs. no longer require it.
- e) Asset inspection. Monument and bench. An asset inspection will be carried out during November. The bench and the railings around the monument need attention. It was RESOLVED to arrange a clean up day in the spring paint them and to tidy up. **Clerk to add** to March Agenda.
- f) Land in Corris Uchaf. The contract has not been signed due to a hold up with the buyer's solicitor. The contract is due to be signed imminently.
- g) Cemetery land rental. The signed contract has not been returned since the tree was felled on the land. It was RESOLVED that the **Clerk will email the tenant** asking for the signed contract and issuing an invoice for £10 for 20/21 rent.

86 Materion ariannol/financial matters.

- a) Report/Balances/HMRC. VAT. Precept. Current a/c £10215.02 Community a/c £5551 Corris Uchaf a/c £33722. It was RESOLVED that with money from the land sale and C. P. Productions due into the Community account, a budget will be made on what the money should be spent on. **Clerk to email Cllrs.** to prepare a budget. **Cllr. M. Olsson will resubmit** a VAT claim as the money has still not been paid despite a letter sent from the Clerk in September. The precept was discussed, and amendments will be made by December when it is due to be passed.
- b) Matters relating to audit. Nothing to report.
- c) Change of bank signatories. It was RESOLVED that the **Clerk will contact the bank**.
- d) Authorisation of any payments not authorised elsewhere.
It was RESOLVED unanimously for the **Clerk to pay** the following:
 - i. Invoice grass cutting monument £45.
 - ii. Clerk's SLCC membership fee £72.
 - iii. Clerk's ILCA training fee £144 (possible 50% refund).

87 Updates on filming. Filming was very successful; residents were cooperative and helpful. The day went smoothly, and the clean-up in Gwaelod y Pentre was very thorough. C. P. Productions would like to pass on their thanks to the community. The Community Council has been paid £5000 for use within the community. It was RESOLVED that **Cllr. M. Olsson will post a notice** of thanks on Facebook.

88 Gohebiaeth/correspondence

- i. Letter regarding holiday lets. Cllr. R. Edwards replied to the letter in the first instance, it was RESOLVED that the **Clerk will communicate the outcome** of the discussion. It was RESOLVED that the **Clerk will email C. Cllr J. Pughe Roberts and the GCC** to support the proposed policy that any house to be used as a holiday let/home needs to apply for planning permission as a change of use.

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- ii. GCC questionnaire Ardal Ni 2035. Answers to the Questionnaire: Question 1, name 4 positives of the village 1) has a school, 2) has a great history and quarry. 3) an area for wide range of outdoor activities. 4) has a great sense of community. Name 4 negatives: 1) lack of employment. 2) lack of housing to rent or buy. 3) lack of adequate healthcare provision. 4) high percentage of holiday lets/homes reducing the number of full-time residents or families moving into the area. Question 2 What could you change to make it an ideal place to live: more housing for families and young people to give the school a better chance of survival, better employment opportunities and transport links to get there and better healthcare provision. Question 3) a. Who are the organisations and groups that could come together to achieve the required changes: The Welsh Government, GCC, Adre and the Health board. Question 3) b. Are you aware of any local consultation or engagement work undertaken during in the past year? No formal consultation has been held, however the Community Council worked with other bodies to get the Aberllefenni to Aberangell road reopened as quickly as possible. It was RESOLVED the **Clerk will email the response to GCC.**
 - iii. Keep Wales tidy starter packs. Email forwarded to Cllr. S. Wells for the school to apply for more start packs if they wish. No news on the one already applied for. **Clerk to chase.**
 - iv. Operation London Bridge. It was RESOLVED that the Community council will prepare wording for the website on a black background. There will also be a loose page condolences book sourced and a designated area for residents to lay flowers, this will be the bench area outside the Institute. Flowers will be removed by the day of the funeral.
 - v. Queen's Jubilee celebrations. This matter will be discussed in the December meeting.
 - vi. Climate change impact. Flier received. Noted.
 - vii. GCC works programme November 2021. Noted.
 - viii. Braich Goch Roof. Information has been received that the Braich Goch will have a 3-way traffic light system in place while the roof is repaired in January 2022. The owners will ask for the vans to parked long ways to allow better vision at the junction.
- 89 Toiledau cyhoeddus/public conveniences. Invoice received £600. It was RESOLVED to pay the invoice and request the £300 payment from Corris Railway as in years prior to 2020.
- 90 Employment Matters. **(This is a confidential matter, and the public and press will be excluded from the meeting for this item).** No matters arising.

The next meeting is scheduled for 7pm Thursday 2nd December 2021 at Corris Institute.
The meeting closed at 9.25pm.

Date Minutes agreed.

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Chairperson's Signature.



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