

CYNGOR CYMUNED CORRIS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

The Institute, Corris, Machynlleth, Powys, SY20 9SH
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Cofnodion Cyfarfod Gynhaliwyd Minutes of the Meeting 07/09/2023

PRESENNOL/PRESENT Cllrs.

Cllr. D. Atherton

Cllr. J Davies

Cllr. T. Edwards

Cllr. E. Jones

Cllr. S. Wells

PRESENNOL HEFYD/ ALSO PRESENT

Clerk S. Mumford

The Meeting was declared open at 7.05pm

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Ymddiheuriadau/Apologies.

Cllrs. A. Jones, J. Mumford, M. Olsson, J. Taylor and C. Cllr. J. Pughe Roberts.

In light of the absence of the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman the meeting was Chaired by Cllr. E. Jones.

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Cyhoeddiadau/Announcements.

None.

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Cofrestrriad o ddiddordeb/Registration of interest.

None

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Derbyn Cofnodion y Cyfarfod/Accept Minutes of meeting 06/07/22.

The minutes of the ordinary meeting 06/07/23 were agreed as accurate.

RESOLVED: Unanimously to approve the minutes of the meetings 06/07/2023.

Proposed by Cllr. J. Davies and seconded by Cllr. D. Atherton.

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Matters arising.

None

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Cynllunio/Planning.

No planning applications received since last meeting.

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Materion mynwentydd/Cemetery matters.

Sub-committee will arrange a meeting in September to discuss garden of remembrance for ashes.

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Playing areas/fields and communal areas.

a) Playgrounds.

No update on work plan. Email received from The Playground Inspection Company advising that the annual inspection is due. Cost is £115 per playground exc. VAT.

RESOLVED: Unanimously to approve the payment.

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ACTION: Clerk to email and engage their services.

b) KGV playing fields.

CUFC have requested to use the school grounds for parking when there are games on. The school have authorised usage pending the appropriate forms being completed. The pitch has been well maintained over the summer and the new season starts this month. The Club have appointed a new manager for the season – Dan Roberts.

c) Orchard.

No further reports of dog fouling in the area. This will be closely monitored.

62 Ysgol Corris School update.

The school term started on Monday 04/09/2023 and there are 32 children registered. All children are settling in well. Parents were reminded of the school policy regarding social media.

The head teacher has requested help from Corris Community Council regarding parking in the main car park near the school. On Tuesday 05/09/2023 2 deliveries to the school could not be made due to one vehicle with a paddleboard on the roof blocking the delivery lorry's path. Cllrs. have previously requested help from GCC regarding this matter.

ACTION: Clerk to email again asking for white lines to be repainted and for the traffic enforcement officers to attend more regularly. Clerk to also ask if there are allotted disabled spaces there are no visible markings on the road.

63 Ffyrdd, Pont Dyfi ac coedwigaeth /Roads, Dyfi Bridge, and forestry.

a) Flooding at the Cob, Aberllefenni.

New ramps have been laid to divert the water when it floods. The area will be monitored during the next heavy rainfall to see if it resolves the issue.

b) Tilhill extraction routes update.

Clerk emailed the Clerk for Dinas Mawddwy Community Council to arrange a meeting to discuss the actions taken regarding the extraction routes. The reply received was that appetite for a meeting was low as they felt it would not make a difference to Aberangell.

NRW have replied to the letter sent to them by Mabon ap Gwynfor on the Cllrs. behalf. Reply was unclear as to their stance on working with Tilhill and GCC. A separate meeting will be held with all parties to move forward.

ACTION: Clerk to arrange a meeting with NRW, Tilhill, GCC and Corris Cllrs.

c) Pavements and footpaths.

The public footpath opposite the Church in Corris has been cleared as has the bridge in Corris. The benches at the bottom of the footpath near the Institute and outside the Bungalows have been painted and the broken wood on the one near the institute has been replaced. Cllrs. were very pleased by the work done on the paths and benches by Tŷm Tacluso, the new team in GCC to help keep villages tidy.

ACTION: Clerk to email the officer to express thanks for all their hard work in the villages.

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The ownership of the pavements on Bridge Street in Corris from opposite the shop to opposite the pub is still unclear. No response from the 1st email sent.

ACTION: Clerk to email again asking for clarification.

d) Parking in Corris Uchaf.

In July the Clerk wrote out to residents in relation to matters raised. One resident telephoned and sent emails to the clerk with unfounded accusations of harassment and racism. Clerk took advice from OVW and the police regarding the matter and followed their advice. The matter will be passed on to GCC to action.

e) Speed monitoring in CU.

Some residents of Corris Uchaf have set up a speed awareness group and have been in touch with GCC. The clerk was included in the reply from GCC and Cllrs. will support the group going forward.

f) Bethania Chapel Corris Uchaf.

The owner has started work on installing a fence. He stated there was no fence in place in the past but he is in the process of erecting a new one.

g) Wild Sheep complaints.

The Council have received 2 emails and numerous verbal complaints regarding the wild sheep in the villages and on the main road. Clerk spoke to GCC who have taken the details but advised that there is little they can do and advised to contact 101 and speak to the police.

64 Meddiantiau/Assets.

a) Benches.

The benches have repaired and painted as noted in 63 c. The bench from Keep Wales Tidy is still in Corris Uchaf awaiting a decision on where it should be situated.

b) Monument.

No further correspondence received.

c) Defibrillators.

New pads for Aberllefenni fitted and all defibrillators have been checked. Pantperthog Hall have confirmed by email in July and August that theirs is fully functional.

d) Corris Uchaf Toilets.

Clerk has set up the account with Welsh Water in the name of Corris Community Council, all bills should now come directly to the Community Council not GCC.

After the removal of the asbestos there are no facias on the building. Quotes have been requested to have them repaired and fitted before the bad weather.

e) Sorting of paperwork.

Ongoing.

f) Notice board in Corris Playground.

The wording for the new sign was reviewed and is awaiting translation.

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RESOLVED: Unanimously to commission the same business to create Digi-bond prints as for the cemetery.

ACTION: Clerk to email business and have 2 made; one for each playground.

65 Materion ariannol/financial matters.

a) Monthly financial report, HMRC, VAT. Institute Investment Fund.

Cllrs had no changes to make to the financial report. VAT refund was received in July. The institute Committee are in the process of changing the names for the investment fund.

b) Remuneration report submitted.

Clerk submitted the remuneration report for 2022/23.

c) Matters relating to audit.

Email received asking for documents including proof of submission of remuneration report. Clerk provided all evidence requested.

Cllr. Training Plan will be emailed out to the Cllrs. each month. Cllrs. to book places through the Clerk.

d) Payments made using delegated authority, Clerk's report.

Payments made to GCC for Corris toilets and audit fee, and to clerk to reimburse payment for defibrillator pads using delegated authority.

Letter of thanks received from resident for the help to contact GCC regarding fallen wall and scaffolding issue. 3rd email sent to GCC regarding pricing for a new grit salt bin, still no reply. Road closure signs were falsely erected in Chapel Street. Clerk emailed GCC who dealt with it promptly.

e) Authorisation of any payments not authorised elsewhere.

- i. Major and Evans invoice £180.
- ii. Clerk's quarterly wages £540
- iii. PAYE £135

RESOLVED: Unanimously to approve payment of invoices, wages and PAYE.

66 Review of policies and Regulations.

a) Finance and Governance toolkit for Community and Town Councils.

Toolkit almost complete, Chairman making final notes.

b) New Standing Orders from OVW.

The new version of the Standing Orders were reviewed by Cllrs.

RESOLVED: Unanimously to accept the new version.

c) Code of Conduct.

The code of conduct was reviewed by Cllrs.

RESOLVED: Unanimously to accept the code of conduct.

d) OVW info on public participation at meetings.

OVW provided the following guidelines on public participation at council meetings.

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The period of time designated for public participation at a meeting will be specified in the Council's standing orders (usually 10 -15 minutes) and not exceed this unless directed otherwise by the chair of the meeting. Councillors who are member of principal Councils (i.e. Unitary Councils) have the same speaking rights as members of the public. In practice this usually means that local County Councillors have a point on the agenda to give a report and answer questions. They can only speak at other times in response to a direct request from the Chair. They cannot take part in debate.

e) Opt-out forms.

All Cllrs. in attendance completed the forms.

67 Consultations and Surveys.

a) North Wales Public Sector Equality Network Survey (Completed).

b) Holiadur Cymunedau / Community Questionnaire.

Cllrs reviewed the questionnaire and provided responses for the Clerk to submit.

ACTION: Clerk to complete the questionnaire.

68 Gohebiaeth/correspondence.

a) Look at use of .gov website and email addresses.

The Chairman is looking into the use of a .gov website and feedback will be provided.

b) Clerk's telephone.

Following calls to the clerk on her personal mobile and on advice from OVW a specific phone for the Clerk was discussed.

RESOLVED: Unanimously to provide Clerk with a work phone.

ACTOIN: Clerk to source SIM deals and feedback at next meeting.

c) Article 4 Control Use of Dwelling Houses info.

Noted

d) Mantell Gwynedd: Voluntary Sector Grant.

Notes

e) Hedgehog highways.

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f) Tyn y Berth Hall enquiry.

Email received asking for Cllr. support for a project involving Tyn y Berth Hall. Clerk emailed all Cllrs. who were in favour of supporting the project. Clerk emailed back advising of this.

g) Letter from National Forest for Wales.

Notes.

69 Toiledau cyhoeddus/public conveniences.

Invoice paid to GCC for the Public Toilets. Cllrs. discussed invoicing Corris Railway for their contribution.

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RESOLVED: Unanimously to instruct the Clerk to send out the invoice for £300.

ACTOIN: Clerk to email invoice to Corris Railway.

70 AOB.

Nothing to discuss.

71 Employment Matters. **(This is a confidential matter, and the public and press will be excluded from the meeting for this item).**

Nothing to discuss.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for 7pm Thursday 05/10/23 at Corris Institute.

Date Minutes agreed 05/10/2023.

Chairperson's Signature.



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