

CLYRO COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
Meeting held at  
7pm on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2019  
In the Village Hall at Clyro

**MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Cllr R Wells (Chairman), Cllr R Lewis (Vice Chairman) arrived at 7.28pm, Cllr P Bate, Cllr J Carter, Cllr V Price, Cllr J Morgan, Cllr R Francis and Clerk to the Community Council, D Workman.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** County Councillor J Gibson-Watt and members of the public, Mr B Morgan, Mrs D Davies, Mr Cooper, Mr Lally-Cooper and Mr Davies.

**APOLOGIES:** Cllr E Brown and Cllr D Hood.

**MINUTES:** The Minutes for the meeting were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

**DECLARATION OF INTEREST:** None

**RESPONSIBLE PERSON** for the duration of this meeting for fire regulations: Chairman Wells who pointed out all fire exits and advised that the meeting point was by the church gate.

**COMMUNITY COUNCIL ASSETS:** Chairman Wells has checked all assets and found that bench 4 (above the school) is in quite a bad state of disrepair. He also had the opinion that the situation of the bench is not an ideal spot as the hedges and trees have grown in front of it meaning that the view is not a view anymore. Cllrs were asked to have a think about whether they would like to repair/replace this bench or investigate purchasing a new bench to put on the village green. Chairman Wells asked for volunteers to help with the maintenance of the benches that are owned by the Community Council.

Chairman Wells felt that the signage on the village green was looking a bit dated and proposed changing them, Cllrs informed the Chairman that the signs were only put in around four years ago so Chairman Wells agreed that there was no need to refresh them at this point.

The mowing of the Village Green has been taken on by the new residents at 19 The Green, they have said that they are quite happy to mow it when they are mowing theirs. It was discussed and agreed to send a letter of thanks to the resident for keeping this Community asset tidy.

**PLANNING MATTERS:**

1. **Application [18/0708/FUL](#).** Field near to Mill Cottage, Clyro, HR3 5SE. Creation of vehicular access.  
*Discussion was held and no objections were raised to this application.*

**MATTERS ARISING:**

1. Festival traffic calming 2020 – *Following requests from residents regarding the speed and volume of traffic to the park and ride carpark situated at Baskerville Hall, County Cllr Gibson-Watt asked for the 30mph sign to be moved. This can be applied for next year with a cost of £474. Discussion led to County Cllr Gibson-Watt being asked to enquire about extra permanent signage warning drivers that a 30mph zone is coming up, the road from Hay to Glasbury has this in place and seems to work.*
2. Place plan? Does Clyro need one? - *Chairman Wells explained what a place plan is and discussed the positive aspects of having one, the website has a Clyro Community and Village design statement from 2004 that has a lot of valuable information that would be used but to develop an up to date place plan will need commitment from Cllrs to complete. It was agreed the Chairman Wells will invite a Powys official, Peter Morris to help the Community Council decide if Clyro needs a place plan.*

**SCHOOL GOVERNORS REPORT:** Cllr Lewis sadly had to report that Mrs L Richardson, a long-standing teacher at Clyro school has died after a long illness. It was agreed that a card be sent to her family as an acknowledgement of feeling in the wider Community.

**REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR GIBSON-WATT:** See appendix A.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE (incl)**

1. One Voice Wales Innovative Practice Conference 10th July Builth – *No action*
2. One Voice Wales, online learning for Cllrs. [www.onevoicewales.org.uk](http://www.onevoicewales.org.uk) basic online training
3. Annual Financial Audit – *The Clerk passed the account book around the table for Cllrs to see and requested that Cllrs think about budgeting for the next year.*

#### **FINANCIAL:**

Current A/C £2,803.25 (as at 4<sup>th</sup> June 2019) Reserve a/c £3,838.08 (as at 30<sup>th</sup> April 2019)

Payments to be made BT (Direct debit), Clerks Salary (Chq £160) proposed Cllr Bate and seconded by Vice-Chairman Lewis.

#### **AOB**

Chairman Wells proposed inviting the Rhosgoch YFC to attend July's meeting to give the Community Council an update, all agreed and Cllr Bate offered to invite them.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

An email from Mr B James was received and discussed regarding the hedge that is growing out through the railings of the Old School and obscuring the vision when pulling out of the junction. Cllr Gibson-Watt is going to ask Powys highways to investigate and resolve as it is not in the remit of the Community Council to ask residents to trim their hedges.

Mrs Davies asked if there was any news on the proposed housing development, Mrs Davies reported a lot of activity and disruption occurring on the play area and football pitch. Chairman Wells said the works on the present playing field site were exploratory and a full planning application would be submitted and there

would be opportunity for consultation in due course. He explained the reason given that the play area was being relocated to the sloping ground adjacent to the Castle tump was that there were difficulties in digging foundations & drainage etc for house building due to the protection of the historic status of the land by CADW. CCC will continue to provide updates and information as it becomes available.

The meeting was closed at 8.19pm

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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Cllr R Wells, Chairman)

## Appendix A

### CLYRO COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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### REPORT BY COUNTY CLLR JAMES GIBSON-WATT.

#### Gwernyfed High School & Community Sports Centre

No further news on the capital investment at the school, but late last week the County Council announced that the recently-appointed Head of Education, Dr Alec Clark, had been offered and accepted the post of Director at an education trust in the south of England. He will leave the council at the end of August. This comes at a time when Wales's educational inspectorate, Estyn, is due to inspect the council's education service in early July and the general situation with school funding across the county is approaching crisis point.

#### Clyro C in W School and the Gwernyfed Catchment

Members will be aware of the very sad passing of teacher Laura Richardson recently. A very moving funeral for her took place in her home village of Llangynidr attended by a number of people from Clyro. She was clearly a much-loved person and a well-respected teacher.

#### Planning

Nothing of note other than the item on the council's agenda.

### **Housing**

The outcomes of the ground investigations on the land adjacent to Castle Estate, Clyro are awaited. Cladding work on the Castle Estate sheltered bungalows has apparently been completed, although not to absolutely every resident's satisfaction. Housing officers have been on-site to try to resolve any problems.

### **Highways**

Nothing of note to report. Please see the rural grass verge cutting schedule for summer 2019 attached

### **Grass cutting in Clyro area**

This was done as promised on Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> May and a reasonable outcome was achieved.

### **Canoe Launch Proposals for Glasybont Common, Glasbury**

Please find attached the latest draft proposals for managing canoe launching at Glasybont Common, Glasbury. Although this issue does not directly affect the Clyro Council area, the way that canoeing on the River Wye operates in the future will affect communities and residents of the Clyro area, so as the local county councillor I would encourage the council to respond to the proposals as it sees appropriate.

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