

Betws-y-Coed Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held on the 11<sup>th</sup> April 2016

Present – Gareth Wynne Chairman, Gwawr Jones, Meirion Owen, Gareth Parry, Sian Godbert, Karen Pugh, Jim Boughton, Janet Charlton, Terry Bullock, Cllr Elizabeth Roberts Conwy CBC, Caerwyn Roberts, Clerk.  
Apologies, Marion Bettenev.

Declaration of interest. No declaration of interest

Minutes of the meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> March 2016, read and approved.

Matters Arising

[1] Police Matters

PCSO Phil Gales attended the meeting and advised on local matters in general terms, he also reported that SNPA were looking to install CCTV cameras at the Station Road Car Parks following a thefts from the car park pay and display machines over Christmas and the New Year.

[1.1] Swallow Falls Leaflet

The Chairman reported that the printing company had expressed concern regarding breach of copyright on the proposed leaflet. Chairman and clerk to liaise regarding the matter.

[1.2] Pentre Du Playground/Picnic Tables

Noted that the matter was ongoing. Cllr Liz Roberts agreed to pursue the matter.

[1.3] Xmas Lights

Resolved to purchase 3 additional ex hire Xmas lights in readiness for Xmas 2016.

[1.4] Swallow Falls/Cash Collection

The clerk reported that he was meeting with a representative of a cash collection company on the 12<sup>th</sup> April 2016.

[1.5] Disabled Bay/Adjacent to Londis/Post Office.

The clerk reported that no further information other than an ERF acknowledgement regarding a request to re paint the lines denoting the bay had been received from Conwy CBC. Cllr Liz Roberts agreed to pursue the matter

Main Agenda

[1.7] Planning Matters

Construction of two storey extension. Wenllys, Betws-y-Coed.  
Members raised no objection to the above proposal.

[1.8] Financial Matters

- [a] Resolved to approve the receipts and payments [circulated] made during March 2016.
- [b] Noted the comparison admission figures for Swallow Falls [circulated] to the end of March 2016.

[1.9] Management Agreement Cae Llan

The chairman reported that he along with the clerk had met with representatives of Conwy CBC and had expressed concern at the annual rental figure of £300.00 given the poor financial return to the Community Council from the hire of the field.

The County Council however, were now prepared to reduce the figure to £200.00 pa. Resolved to meet the reduced rental figure and to request a further meeting prior to the renewal of the management agreement in 2017.

[2] Nadolig Betws-y-Coed

The clerk reported that Nadolig Betws-y-Coed were proposing to create a permanent access to the field from the Station Road Car Park, which would avoid costs of removing the bund and reinstating on an annual basis etc. Cllr Elizabeth Roberts advised that the plans in the first instance be discussed with Mr Richard Thomas SNPA.

[2.1] Pay Award/Kiosk Attendants Swallow Falls

In accordance with Government guidelines, resolved to increase the hourly rate of the two kiosk attendants from £6.50 per hr to £7.20 per hr.

[2.2] Accident Swallow Falls

The clerk reported that he had been advised of an accident at Swallow Falls on the 8<sup>th</sup> April and that the Ambulance Service had experienced difficulties in gaining access to the falls. Resolved that a set of keys be made available to the first responder for the area Mr Tomos Hughes.

[2.3] Community Council Vacancy

Members noted a letter from Mr Nick Corney, Millrace Cottage, Pentre Felin, Betws-y-Coed expressing a wish to become a member of the Community Council, the clerk advised that when the vacancy was previously advertised, no applications were received. Resolved to invite Mr Corney to become a co-opted member subject to Conwy CBC's advice regarding the vacancy.

[2.4] Dog Fouling/Playground Pentre Du

Clerk to request signs to be placed on the entrance gate to the playground.

[2.5] Handyman Betws-y-Coed

Clerk to express the Community Council's appreciation of the work done by the County Council operative around the village.

[2.6] Cotswolds

Resolved to agree to a request from Cotswolds to operate a climbing wall on Cae Llan during the May Day bank holiday, subject to third party insurance cover and risk assessment documentation. Clerk to enquire whether a charge would apply to climb the wall.

[2.7] Brass Band/Cae Llan 24<sup>th</sup> July 2016

Cllr Jim Boughton agreed to enquire whether chairs could be borrowed from the Church Hall for the Sunday afternoon of the 24<sup>th</sup> July.

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_