

Betws-y-Coed Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held on the 9th November 2015

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

Declaration of interest. Cllr Sian Godbert declared an interest in minute [1.8] but left the meeting early prior to the matter being discussed.

Minutes of the meeting held on the 12th October 2015, read and approved.

Matters Arising

[1] Police Matters

[a] PCSO Dean Cavey attended the meeting and advised that Conwy CBC are to be requested to issue on the spot fines for bridge jumping off the Pont-y-Pair with the activity being viewed as anti social.

[a] The PCSO agreed to discuss with his colleague a recent complaint regarding speeding vehicles through the village.

[1.1] Highway Matters/ Extension of Double Yellow Lines/A5 Junction Pentre Du

Noted an acknowledgement from the Welsh Assembly to the Council's recent correspondence regarding a request for an extension of the yellow lines.

[1.2] Defilibrator

The clerk advised that he was now waiting for the electrician to install the defilibrator

[1.3] Proposed Play Area Cae Llan

Noted the letter from Mr William Hall expressing concern regarding the proposal, along with correspondence from Ms Carol Blain outlining an alternative "all range fitness" project. Resolved to forward Ms Blain's correspondence to the SNPA for consideration. The Chairman and clerk to arrange a meeting with Mr William Hall of the Gwydyr Estate for further discussion.

[1.4] Swallow Falls Information Leaflet

The Chairman advised that he was now in the process of summarising the information received from Mr Glyn Jones

[1.5] Extra Lighting Memorial Hall

Noted that the matter was ongoing.

[1.6] Pentre Du Playground/Picnic Tables

Cllr Terry Bullock reported that the tables had now been removed, resolved to wait for further information from Conwy CBC

[1.7] Giant Bubbles Cae Llan

[a] The clerk reported that no response to a further letter had been received advising the company of a hire charge for the use of the field. Chairman and clerk to discuss at the next meeting with Mr William Hall.

[b] Evaporation of bubbles on the pathway – The clerk advised that no response had been received from SNPA . Clerk to contact SNPA regarding the matter.

Main Agenda

[1.8] Planning Matters

Proposed Hydro Electric Scheme Fairy Glenn Betws-y-Coed.

Mr Dan Yates was welcomed to the meeting and outlined the latest position regarding the proposal advising that the Council could make further representations if it so wished.

Resolved that the Council's views had already been made in accordance with min 2.5 of the meeting held on the 11th May 2015.

Noted the drop in session at the Waterloo Hotel between 3.00pm and 7.00pm on the 12th November 2015 to discuss water abstraction as part of the proposal.

[1.9] Financial Matters

[a] Resolved to approve the receipts and payments [circulated] made during October 2015

[b] Noted the comparison admission figures for Swallow Falls [circulated] to the end of October 2015.

[2] Maintenance Agreement/ All Ability Path

The clerk explained that the maintenance agreement was now due for renewal and that Natural Resources Wales had requested a meeting to discuss the matter. Clerk to report further following discussions with NRW.

[2.1] Nadolig Betws-y-Coed

Members noted the numerous events proposed by Mrs Chris Crawley for Nadolig Betws-y-Coed.

[2.2] Bench/Public Footpath/Golf Club

Cllr Gareth Parry drew attention to a very old bench near the public footpath adjacent to the golf course which was worth preserving, clerk to contact Gwyn Lloyd to arrange inspection etc.

[2.2] The following information was noted

[a] Conwy CBC Christmas Parking concession information.

[b] Conwy CBC Sports Award.

[c] Active Travel Wales consultation document.

Chairman_____