

Betws-y-Coed Community Council  
Minutes of the meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> October 2014

Present - Gareth Wynne Chairman, Jim Boughton, Marion Bettenev, Karen Pugh, Caerwyn Roberts, Clerk.

Apologies, Gareth Parry, Gwawr Jones, Janet Charlton, Terry Bullock, Elizabeth Roberts  
Declaration of interest. No declaration of interest was made.

Minutes of the meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> September 2014, read and approved.

Matters Arising

[1] Police Matters

The clerk advised that Sgt Simon Evans would be attending the next Council meeting.

[1.1] Signs/Notices

Noted that SNPA are unable to undertake a survey of the signs/notices at present. Resolved to request that Cllr E Roberts pursues the matter on behalf of the Community Council.

[1.2] Station Road Toilets

The clerk advised that Mr Steven Teal [Environment Dept, Conwy CBC] would be attending the next meeting of the Council.

[1.3] Footbridge Betws-y-Coed Railway Station/Maintenance Request

Resolved that the Community Council attend to the most urgent maintenance issues, Cllr Marion Bettenev/Jim Boughton agreed to draw up a list.

[1.4] Yellow Lines A5 Trunk Road Adjacent to Glan Aber and Gwydr Hotels

Noted that matter was still outstanding.

[1.5] Swallow Falls Tourism Information Signs

The clerk reported that the symbol had now been added to the sign and that he would be consulting Mr Glenn Evans regarding the most suitable location.

[1.6] Lights 25 -29 Bro Gethin /Un lit Lamps

Note that the lights had now been repaired.

[1.7] Highway Matters

[a] The clerk referred to correspondence from Conwy CBC, that the owner of Hafan had agreed to carry out repairs to the wall.

[b] Wall opposite Hendre Farm campsite on the A5 trunk road. The clerk reported that the trunk road agency was arranging to inspect the wall.

[1.8] Llyn Elsie

Noted that water abstraction from the lake at present is for test purposes only, for the hydro station at Pentre Du.

[1.9] World War One Remembrance Service

Cllr Jim Boughton agreed to enquire whether arrangements could be made to conduct the service at the Memorial Hall.

## Main Agenda

### [2] Planning Matters

[a] Installation of solar photovoltaic panel system on garage roof. Willow Cottage, Pentre Du, Holyhead Road, Betws-y-Coed

[b] Proposed Retail Unit, Land at Isfryn Holyhead Road, Betws-y-Coed

The clerk referred to a meeting with Mr Richard Thomas SNPA and confirmed as follows:

[1] The first floor is for storage only, the building is therefore considered to be single storey.

[2] The plan for the building is already approved noting a reduction in height.

[3] The Community Council may send observations regarding the proposed business.

Members raised no objection to the above 2 proposals

### [2.1] Financial Matters

[a] Resolved to approve the receipts and payments [circulated] made during September 2014

[b] Noted the comparison admission figures for Swallow Falls [circulated] to the end of September 2014.

### [2.2] Caretaker Memorial Hall

The clerk referred to the resignation of Mr Raymond Hughes and that an advertisement had already been placed for a replacement. Chair/Vice Chair and Clerk to visit the cottage by arrangement with Mr Hughes to determine necessary repairs etc.

Chair/Vice Chair and Clerk to interview prospective candidates and report back to Council

### [2.3] Contribution/Bonfire Night

Resolved to contribute £75.00 to Llais Llugwy towards bonfire night.

### [2.4] Highway Matters

The clerk referred to correspondence from Aled Roberts AM seeking observations on the speed limit on the A5 trunk road within the community. Resolved to respond as follows;

[a] The current 40 mph at Pentre Du should be lowered to 30mph and also extended in the direction of Swallow Falls.

[b] Consideration should also be given to introducing a 40mph from Rhyd y Craeau to Waterloo Bridge.

### [2.5] The following information was noted

[a] SNPA Planning Services Focus Group 4/11/14

[b] Town & Community Councils Focus Group , CCTV contribution.

[c] Conwy CBC Sports Award

[d] SNPA Public Consultation, Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance

[e] Cartrefi Conwy , Community Led Spending Initiative.

[f] One Voice Wales, Area Committee 22/10/14

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_