Minutes of the Council's Meeting - 7.00 pm, Tuesday 21 March 2023

Present: Councillor Celfyn Furlong – Chairman

Councillors: Gwilym O. Jones, Gordon Owen, William Victor Owen, Sharon Parry, Einir Thomas and Dyfed Williams.

Also Present: - County Councillor Ken Taylor

Mai Owen - Clerk / Responsible Finance Officer and Evan Wyn Robertson

- 1. Apologies: Siân Enfys Jones, Lowri Owen and Gareth Thomas.
- Declaration of Interest declarations of personal intrest were madeas follows: Cllr. K. Taylor - planning matters because of his position on the Planning Committee. Cllr. Gwilym O. Jones - item 9.1 - donations to Y Rhwyd and Caergeiliog Village Hall. Cllr. Sharon Parry - item 9.1 – donations to MônFM and St David's Hospice. Cllr. Gordon Owen - item 9.1 donation to Caergeiliog Village Hall.

3. Vacant seat

An application was made by Mr Evan Wyn Robertson for the vacant seat on the Community Council. The applicant was considered to be eminently suitable and it was unanimously agreed to co-op him as a Community Councillor. The clerk would inform the County Council accordingly. As Mr Robertson was present in the building, he was invited to sit with the Community Council for the rest of the meeting.

4. Minutes of the previous meetings

The minutes of 21 February 2023 were accepted as being correct (Proposed Cllr. G.O. Jones, seconded Cllr. G. Owen.)

5. Matters arising from the minutes.

- 5.1 Playing Field: Some work had been done on the boundaries, the hedge had been laid and bare rootstock and cuttings of various hedging plants planted. Cllr. Celfyn Furlong would inspect the benches.
- 5.2 Defibrillator The location and power source was still an issue. The County Council was not prepared to follow Gwynedd County Council's practice and allow defirillators to be linked to the street lamps as they would not be able to monitor the power usage. Cllr. G.O.Jones had since made contact with Scottish Power and was waiting for a call from them. Cllr. Sharon Parry pointed out that Llanfihangel yn Nhowyn had a large population and also needed a defibrillator.
- 5.3 Dog waste bag dispenser there was no response from IOACC about getting another bin. Cllr. Furlong described an innovative home-made dispenser that he'd seen on a footpath in Valley. The clerk and Cllr. Sharon Parry agreed to have ago at making similar for Minffordd Road.

- 5.4 Street Lights and pavements Minffordd Road. the promised information regarding the street lights had not yet been received form IOAAC, however they had attended and cleared the stones from the pavement. Cllr. Victor Owen had also attended the site and cleared more stones, it was suspected that youngsters walking pulling down the wall as they walk to and from the bus stop. Members agreed to monitor this.
- 5.4 Any other matters arising from the minutes: none

6. Planning Decisions

- 6.1 HHP/2023/5 Isfryn, 1 Taniffordd Terrace, Caergeiliog Granted.
- 6.2 Traffwll Solar Park The Welsh Government Ministers had granted the application for the Solar Park. It was noted that ' the development to which this permission relates shall begin no later than the expiration of five years beginning with the date of this permission' and that there were a large number of conditions attached to the planning decision.

7. Planning Applications

7.1 HHP/2023/37 Bwthyn Ceirios, Caergeiliog.

Full application for the erection of a detached garage – Members expressed concerns about the size of the proposed garage. It looked big for a domestic garage and there were already concerns about the number of vehicles that appeared to 'spill over' from the property on to the public layby to the front of the site. It was agreed to ask that if the application was to be approved that it would be on condition that it was not to be used for any business purpose.

7.2 FPL/ 2023/43 27 Zealand Park, Holyhead

Retrospective application for the erection of new dwelling together with the construction of new vehicular access on adjacent land – it was noted that an application had already been agreed on this site, there were no further observations.

7.3 Site adjacent to Zealand Park Caergeiliog

Email received from Erw Consulting notifying the Council that they had submitted a planning application for eight affordable dwellings for the needs of local people....via Clwyd Alyn and Tai Teg.

8. Financial Matters

The RFO submitted the financial report for the period from 1.2.2023 to 28.2.2023 together with bank reconciliations, statements and copies of the accounts. Current Account £31,135.43, Deposit Account £3,940.64

- 8.1 Members Allowance no payments made in 2022/23
- 8.2 Internal Auditor Appointment agreed to ask Mr Hughie Lloyd Jones to carry out and audit.
- 8.3 Maintenance GMS Garden Services had notified an increase in grass cutting charges

from £70 to £75 plus vat per cut. – agreed to accept the increase. It was also agreed to continue to use Wharton Ground Maintenance Services for cutting the footpaths.

9. Payments agreed:

Salary (Feb.)	£398.52	C. Redmond	£90
IOACC Lease	£137	Ext. Audit 2020/21	£200
One Voice Wales	£281	Bank Charges	£7.80
Admin. (ink, stamps)	£76.33		

It was also agreed that the Clerk / RFO would pay any invoices received in respect of previously agreed expenditure.

9.1 Donations: it was agreed to make payments as follows

1.	Caergeiliog Village Hall	2500	Local GovernmentAct1972, s.19
2.	Y Rhwyd	150	Local Government Act 1972, s. 145
3.	St David's Hospice	300	Local Government Act1972, s.2
4.	Wales Air Ambulance	100	Local Government Act1972, s.2
5.	MônFM	100	Local Government Act 1972, s. 145

10. Correspondence – the following were submitted and noted.

- 10.1 Consultation launched on new registration rules for all bird keepers in Great Britain'
- 10.2 Consultation: Planning Policy Wales on net benefit for biodiversity and ecosystems resilience
- 10.3 White paper on the Taxi and Private Hire Vehicle (Wales) Bill

11. Member Reports

- 11.1 Cllr. William Victor Owen: Tywyn Trewan Board of Conservators were burning gorse bushes and dealing with recent complaints about damage to Anglesey Golf Course.
- 11.2 The bus shelter at the entrance to Treifan was damaged, the clerk would arrange for it to be repaired.

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12. Next Meeting – 18 April 2023.