

CYNGOR CYMUNED DINAS POWYS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

COSAC Committee

Minutes of Meeting

Old Library, Dinas Powys
25 July 2018 at 6.30pm

Present:

Cllr A Robertson (Chair)
Cllr C Franks
Cllr E Jenkins

Cllr A Asbrey
Cllr R Williams
N Gaskell (Allotments)

11. Apologies for Absence:

Cllr S Kear-Smith
S Davies (Footpaths)

Cllr V Driscoll

12. Declaration of Interests

There were no Declarations of Interest

13. Confirmation of Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on 30 May 2018 were taken as read, and on the Motion of Cllr. E Jenkins and seconded by N Gaskell were **RESOLVED** that they are approved as a true record.

14. Matters Arising from Minutes

Item 9 – Sycamore Tree in Parish / Lee hall Garden

Following a visit by VOG planners, the matter is now resolved.

Item 10 b) – Bryn-y-Don Playing Field

The site should be opened at 8am. On many occasions this has not happened. Matter has been reported the VOG Parks Department.

15. Footpaths Report / Update

In the absence of the Footpaths Warden, the Clerk provided a brief update:-
There were 5 Summer Walks organised; number of participants – 25 to 45.

The condition of the footpath opposite the Railway Station, linking Station Road with the Common has been reported - waiting for a response.

Brambles were reported along the Ash Path. This has been inspected and there is no (longer) problem. This is registered as a Footpath and therefore cycles are not permitted along this route.

The 'kissing gates' along the footpath through Mill Field – the choice of stock-proof access provision is the option of the landowner. There appear to be no options which provide access for pushchairs and wheelchairs that are both safe and stock-proof.

16. Allotments Report / Update

Inactive allotment holder has responded to letter, stating that a 'vast improvement' will be seen during August. Committee **AGREED** to allow time before further action is taken.

The Annual Allotment Holders BBQ (agreed at COSAC Committee 30 May) is being planned, although may not happen this year. **NOTED**

The 4 new plot holders appear to be doing well and are very enthusiastic.

Allotment Inspection to take place on Saturday 4 August at 9.30am.

Water Conservation – a complaint was received regarding one allotment holder leaving a hose pipe on whilst not on site. This appears to have been a one-off, but will be monitored.

17. Cemetery Report / Update

Burial Board report provided to members. Only two plots remain.

Exploratory meetings were conducted with landowners in relation to acquiring additional land to extend the cemetery. Cllrs A Robertson and Cllr E Jenkins will pursue the discussions further with neighbouring land owners.

Health & Safety matters within the Cemetery ultimately fall under the responsibility of DPCC. One memorial was found to be in danger of falling over, so has been laid down on the grave. An inspection of all graves will be undertaken in due course.

18. Public Space Protection Orders – Dog Controls

This matter was delegated to COSAC by Full Council in view of the timescales for response.

This VOG aims to strengthen existing powers. Committee felt that it would be no more effective than the present system without enforcement, and feel that current rules are sufficient if people act responsibly.

Clerk to respond to consultation.

19. Bin Beside Play Area on DP Common

The location of this bin, close to the play areas and next to a bench, is not ideal as odours from dog mess deposits can be extremely strong.

As there are sufficient bins around the Common, it was **AGREED** to remove this bin altogether.

20. WI Poppy Waterfall installation

Following approval from DPCC to install the Poppy Waterfall on the Tywn, the WI have proposed using the tree opposite the old post office to support the installation.

Committee unanimously **AGREED** to this proposal.

21. Public Footpath – Pen-y-Turnpike Road

Following consultation and subsequent correspondence with VOG in Dec 2016, DPCC have now received confirmation that the VOG Highways section will extend the adopted pavement to meet with the public footpath which links the Ardwyn Walk development with Pen-y-Turnpike Road.

22. Trees in Scout Park

A letter has been received from the residents who neighbour the Scout Field. They would like the Council to consider granting permission to reduce the height of these trees and removing overhanging branches as they feel they are a safety concern. They also ask if the Council would be able to contribute to the cost of this work.

Clerk to respond.

23. Rambler Request for Commemorative Tree / Bench

Cllr A Robertson suggested setting up a fund to commemorate the late Cllr V Hartrey. She was very special to the community of Dinas Powys and perhaps other organisations would like to be involved in raising funds to purchase and commemorate a bench.

24. DP Family Fun Day and Dog Show

Planning is progressing well and in collaboration / with support from the Athletics Club. Parking of stall-holders' vehicles on the Common has been requested, Committee unanimously **AGREED** that this was acceptable, with the same conditions as last year.

25. Any Items which the Chairman has decided are urgent

There were no urgent items.

26. AOB

a) Overgrown Shrubbery

Cllrs E Jenkins & A Asbrey are to undertake a recce of the overgrowth spilling out onto the pavements and footpaths, before taking the matter further with VOG.

Particular reference was made to:-

- Cardiff Road – the Railway Station to Bryn-y-Bon (towards Barry)
- Wellwood Drive
- Cardiff Road opposite the Railway Station
- Pedestrian bridge by Hebron Hall

27. Date of Next Meeting – Wednesday 21 November 2018

Signature:	Date: