

CYNGOR CYMUNED DINAS POWYS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

COSAC Committee

Minutes of Meeting

Old Library, Dinas Powys
30 May 2018 at 4.00pm

Present:

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

Cllr V Driscoll
Cllr R Williams
S Davies (Footpaths)
N Gaskell (Allotments)

1. Apologies for Absence:

Cllr V Hartrey

Cllr S Kear-Smith

2. Declaration of Interests

There were no Declarations of Interest

3. Confirmation of Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on 14 March 2018 were taken as read, and on the Motion of Cllr. R Williams and seconded by Cllr. V Driscoll were **RESOLVED** that they are approved as a true record.

4. Matters Arising from Minutes

Item 34 – Wild About Nature Dinas Powys

No proposal received to date from the group.

Item 36 – Burials

Michaelston-le-Pit Community Council do not manage a cemetery. The position regarding burial referrals to be clarified.

Item 37 – Cemetery

No progress to report.

Item 41 – Footpath from Station Road to the Common

The problem appears to be at the bottom end of Station Road. Sue Davies (Footpaths Advisor) offered to take the matter up with VOG officers

5. Footpaths Report

The programme of evening walks starts on 6th June. These will happen every Wednesday. Meeting point – The Twyn at 7pm. Duration depends on agility levels of participants, but will anticipated completion will be before 9.30pm.

Cllr C Franks mentioned that kissing gates along footpaths present a problem for buggies. Sue Davies will take this back to VOG and ask what the options might be.

6. **Allotments Update**

This year the 'Beast from the East' delayed seeding, although given the recent weather, everything is now catching up.

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

One allotment holder received a letter from the Office as there was no activity on the plot. This resolved the matter.

Allotment holders have requested permission for an annual barbeque. Committee felt that this was a positive idea, serving to further strengthen social networks within the community. It was unanimously **AGREED** that permission is granted for the holding of an annual Barbeque for allotment holders on site.

Annual Inspection of Allotments to take place on Saturday 2 June at 9am.

7. **Cemetery Update / Report**

Burial Board report provided to members.

Permission has been requested for a bench to be placed alongside grave no, D244. Committee **unanimously AGREED** to grant permission.

Due to the absence of the Maintenance Manager, permission is sought to ask JDW to undertake tasks which need immediate attention which are beyond the time capacity of the Maintenance Assistant. It was **unanimously AGREED** that JDW be approached to undertake these tasks.

8. **Play Area Inspection**

Annual Inspection undertaken by independent consultant contracted through VOG. Some minor works to be undertaken. Clarification is being sought on one item.

The gate to the play area also needs adjustment. Cllr R Williams volunteered his services to adjust the gate.

9. **Sycamore Tree in Parish / Lee Hall Garden**

This self-seeded tree is responsible for the delay in the progress of planning permission applied for by the Scouts. The tree is protected by a Tree Preservation Order.

The VOG Council have requested that a tree survey is undertaken.

Committee **RECOMMENDED** that this is referred to the Halls Committee for decision.

10. Any Other Business

a) Brambles impeding footpath

The spread of brambles from railway land along Cardiff Road is creating a significant obstruction to pedestrians, between Elmgrove and the railway station.

Cllr A Asbrey to arrange a working group to cut back the protruding plants.

b) Bryn-y-Don Playing Field

Cllr R Crowley noticed that the playing field has been locked recently at 8.40am, whilst it is advertised as being open from dawn until dusk, and was wondering if anyone was aware of a problem.

c) Family Fun Day

Cllr A Robertson attended the meeting and was requested to ask for support from members. Help is specifically required with developing a list of potential sponsors and advice and assistance with signage.

Parking on the Common as last year will be requested.

11. Date of Next Meeting – Wednesday 25 July 2018

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