

# CYNGOR CYMUNED DINAS POWYS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## Full Council

### Minutes of Meeting

#### Virtual Meeting

8 October 2020, at 7.00pm

#### **Present:**

Cllr R Grigg (Chair)  
Cllr R Crowley (Vice-Chair)  
Cllr S Griffiths  
Cllr A Asbrey  
Cllr J Fanshaw  
Cllr K Hatton

Cllr V Driscoll  
Cllr C Franks  
Cllr S Kear-Smith  
Cllr S Thomas  
Cllr E Jenkins  
Cllr A Robertson

#### **1. Apologies for Absence:**

Cllr M Hartrey  
Cllr R Williams

Cllr J Barker  
Cllr M Pratt

#### **2. Declaration of Interests**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

#### **3. To Confirm Minutes of Meeting held on 10 September 2020**

Minutes of the ZOOM meeting held on **10 September 2020** were taken as read, and on the Motion of Cllr. K Hatton and seconded by Cllr. J Fanshaw, it was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes be **APPROVED**

#### **4. Matters Arising from Minutes**

##### Item 156 b) iv) – Parish Hall Roof

It was suggested that an assessment is undertaken to understand the true position and if necessary get quotes for the repair / replacement.

To be placed on Agenda for the next Halls Committee

##### Item 159 a) – Traffic in Mill Road

It was requested that County Councillors continue to pursue this matter.

#### **5. To Authorise and Confirm the Payment of Accounts and Financial Position of Council**

Cllr. K Hatton proposed, Cllr. J Fanshaw seconded and Council **APPROVED** the Income and Expenditure Schedules and the Council's Financial Position as at 30 September 2020.

## 6. **County Councillors Report**

### a) Vale Council Meetings

These have started up, but with issues with reception and transmission resulted in an unsatisfactory experience. A new system is to be put in place by November.

### b) Special Council Meetings

Meeting held to consider the approval of Accounts. There were two complaints from electors which were outstanding, with no detail provided. For that reason, DPCC Vale Councillors voted against the approval of the accounts.

## 7. **To Receive Committee and other Reports**

### a) Planning Committee Update

Members of the Planning Committee are being consulted via email and the collective opinion being submitted to VOG. These are summarised in the Planning Schedule.

The Planning Schedule was **NOTED**

## 8. **Waiving Financial Regulation 11.1 (Contracts)**

Reason - In order that the Council can expedite the outcomes of the Tree Survey undertaken last year in a timely, effective and efficient manner.

It is **RECOMMENDED** that Council approve the waiving of Financial Regulation 11.1 (g) in order to enable the works to progress for the following reasons:

- Attempts were made to obtain 3 quotes, although only one was submitted, with two organisations declining the invitation;
- Health and Safety is a serious consideration, particularly as we approach the winter period with a greater likelihood of stormy weather;
- Tree surgery is specialised work; in this instance involving road closures and access platforms;
- There are a limited number of specialists operating in this field;
- Ash Die Back is a significant problem and needs to be dealt with in a timely manner to reduce further infestation;

It was proposed by Cllr. K Hatton and seconded by Cllr. A Robertson that the recommendation to waive Financial Regulation 11.1 for the reasons outlined above. As there was no other proposal, members voted with 11 voting for the motion; Cllr. V Driscoll against.

The Motion was **PASSED**.

## 9. **Purchase of additional litter bin**

The Council have been offered a litter bin, additional to the one ordered, at a reduced price, due to a supplier error. The reduction is £115 in total, around 25%. (To purchase the two bins would take the total sum above the £500 spend limit allowed)

It was proposed by Cllr. K Hatton and seconded by Cllr. J Fanshaw that Council accept this offer.

As there were no other proposals, it was unanimously **AGREED** that the additional bin be purchased.

**10. Natural Resources Wales (NRW) Update**

A statement has been issued by NRW in relation to the Dinas Powys Flood Scheme, stating that they will continue to support the community with current approaches to flood management by maintaining the river and clearing blockages that increase flood risk, subject to funding availability.

Consultation responses demonstrated a willingness amongst the community to work jointly to further explore and develop natural flood management options in the Cadoxton catchment.

Applications have been submitted to Welsh Government for funding to explore natural flood management opportunities around Dinas Powys, the community will be informed of progresses. If funding is obtained, further engagement with the community and potential partners will take place.

It was noted that the recently stalled footpath/cycle route from McDonalds to Dinas Powys runs through the flood plain and there may be opportunities to align the two projects creating wider benefits.

**11. Correspondence received regarding parking on Highwalls Road**

An email was copied to the Council regarding a complaint made to the DP Golf Club concerning club members and visitors parking on Highwalls Road, resulting in residents experiencing difficulties accessing their properties and being inconvenienced.

Clerk to pen a letter to Golf Club. Cllr E Jenkins to visit and speak to the club management as a follow-up.

**12. Urgent Items from the Chair**

There were no urgent items

**13. Matters Members wish to bring before Council**

a) Remembrance Day

There has been no clarity or guidance provided either by the Royal British Legion or the Government, despite questions being asked.

Local churches and chapels, including St Peter's, may be holding a two minutes silence during their services on the morning on Remembrance Sunday, 8 November. Please check with your church or chapel if you wish to attend, and note that because of Covid-19 regulations, places will be very limited. Booking of seats may be required, track and trace contact details are required, and social distancing and face coverings are mandatory

As COVID restrictions apply, there will be no service at the Twyn. Instead, the laying of wreathes will be much more informal – with wreathes being laid during a 3 day window, between 8 and 11 November.

b) CRUZ

Meeting of the Working Group to be arranged.

c) Boundary Review

Deadline for response is looming. Cllr C Frank to compile a response in consultation with Cllr V Driscoll.

**Date of Next Meeting**

12 November 2020

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