

CYNGOR CYMUNED DINAS POWYS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Full Council

Minutes of Meeting

Virtual Meeting

8 July 2021, at 6.30pm

Present:

Cllr R Crowley (Chair)
Cllr A Asbrey
Cllr A Robertson
Cllr E Jenkins
Cllr S Thomas
Cllr M Pratt

Cllr C Franks
Cllr J Fanshaw
Cllr R Grigg
Cllr V Driscoll
Cllr K Hatton

26. Apologies for Absence:

The following apologies for absence were accepted

Cllr M Hartrey	Cllr J Barker
Cllr S Kear-Smith	Cllr R Williams
Cllr S Griffiths	

(Dispensation granted – March 2021 - to Cllrs J Barker and M Hartrey for a period of 6 months)

27. Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

28. Discussion and Q & A session with E Reed regarding traffic management options, traffic proposals, local connectivity and road safety schemes.

The WelTAG Stage 2 Plus study will not be taken forward due to lack of funding (VOG & WG) and policy changes by Welsh Government. However, there are some elements within the report that the County Council are looking to implement as and when funding allows.

This would include:

- Active Travel - Biglis to Bryn-y-Don
Arcadis have been appointed to undertake the Consequential Assessments and provide a list of options.
- Bus Shelters
3 new shelters have been installed in Dinas Powys. Options for funding the remaining one (St Georges Row) are being explored.
Digital information boards are planned (subject to funding availability)
- Next Bikes
The provision of 2 docking stations are being explored.

Land issues / permissions need to be addressed

- Park & Ride facilities (west end)
No resources available to progress this at the current time
- Speed reduction
20 mph limits in built up areas is progressing through the legislative process. Likely to be enacted in to law in 2023
3 pilot areas in VOG currently operational. Grounds for decision on selection of pilot areas to be provided.
- Pavement parking
Legislation making pavement parking illegal is progressing through the legislative process.

Matters brought up by Members included:

- Public Consultation on WelTAG study
Should DPCC wish to fund the Public Consultation on the WelTAG stage 2 Plus report, the estimated cost would be in the region of £20,000.
- Cross Common / Cardiff Rd junction
Hazardous junction – visibility is limited, recent bus accident.
The blocked end of the old Cross Common Rd is unsightly.
- Cardiff Rd / Station Rd junction
Dangerous junction, needs re-configuration as a priority.
May be potential to support through Road Safety Grant
- Footpaths
Seriously underfunded, particularly in regards to signage, overgrowth, stiles, path conditions. Partially down to overuse during the pandemic, but also apparent lack of maintenance.
- Local Speeding
Areas of concern – Longmeadow Dr, Mount Rd and others
Contact details to be provided for Community Speed Watch – ref speed cameras
- Eastbrook Station - Railway Footbridge
Removal of footbridge requires closure of car park and some road closures. Likely to result in Chaos. Information shared by Network rail limited to neighbouring properties.

29. To Confirm Minutes of the Meeting held on 10 June 2021

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 10 June 2021 were taken as read, and on the Motion of Cllr A Robertson and seconded by Cllr J Fanshaw, it was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes be **APPROVED**.

30. Matters Arising from Minutes

Item 15 a) Tesco Car Park / Murch Rd connecting path.

Not in Tesco's Ownership. Not adopted by VOG. Uneven paving slabs becoming a hazard.

Clerk was asked to pursue in order to effect repairs.

31. To authorise and confirm: -

- a) Payment of Accounts
Cllr. K Hatton proposed, Cllr. R Grigg seconded and Council **APPROVED** the Income and Expenditure Schedules for June 2021
- b) Financial Position of Council as at 30 June 2021
The Council's Financial Position as at 30 June 2021 was **NOTED**

32. To Receive Committee and other Reports

- a) Planning Committee Update
The Planning Schedule was **NOTED**
There was one application where concerns were expressed to the planning authority.
- b) Halls Committee Meeting – 29 June 2021
Cllr J Fanshaw provided a brief overview of the meeting
It was proposed by Cllr R Grigg, seconded by Cllr E Jenkins agreed that the actions and recommendations within the minutes be **APPROVED**.
- c) Finance & GP Committee Meeting – 6 July 2021
Cllr V Driscoll provided an overview of the meeting. Key points:
It was proposed by Cllr R Grigg, seconded by Cllr R Crowley and agreed that the actions and recommendations within the minutes be **APPROVED**.

[Cllr E Jenkins left the meeting]

- d) COSAC Committee Meeting – 7 July 2021
Cllr A Robertson provided a brief overview of the meeting.
All members were invited to attend the LNP Site visit regarding bio-diversity of DP Common. Weds 14 July – meet at Athletics Club car park at 2.30pm.
The proposed CRUZ site visit to be opened up to all members (if possible) should they wish to attend. Date to be circulated once arranged.
It was proposed by Cllr R Crowley and seconded by Cllr J Fanshaw that the actions and recommendations within the minutes be **APPROVED**
- e) County Councillors Report
 - i) VOG Reserves
The Vale Council Cabinet has reports have noted that the reserves the Council holds, has increased over the year by £13.5 million. This is from April 2020 to March 2021. Meanwhile the Vale Cabinet approved a Council Tax rise for 2021 by 3.9%.
 - ii) Bus shelter replacements – Cardiff Rd
As part of last year's 106 money allocation, both Bus Shelters on Cardiff Road have finally been replaced with newer, up to date versions. Work now continues to look at replacements of other bus shelters in the village - notably the one in Eastbrook.
 - iii) Network Rail – Replacement of Eastbrook Train Station Pedestrian Bridge
Between on 9pm on 9am on both 21st/22nd August and 2nd/3rd October Cardiff Road will be closed between junction Redlands Road, Penarth and Barry Docks Link

Road. Access will be maintained for residents and emergency services and pedestrian access will remain in place at all times.

This is for the replacement of the pedestrian bridge at Eastbrook train station. The Council are working with the contractor to implement pedestrian diversion routes - the initial plan has been shared with us but it is yet to be risk assessed and signed off.

There will be no pedestrian crossing facility at this station during this time.

iv) Trader Charges in the Vale of Glamorgan

From the 1st of July 2021, new measures have been introduced in relation to costs of utilising outdoor spaces for businesses.

This includes café licenses paying up to £750 each year for the use of 11 or more tables. The new charges also include a £300 annual charge for spaces larger than 5 metres and a £100 charge per advertising board with a maximum of 2 boards permitted per business.

This is in contrast to other Welsh local authorities, who have granted traders the use of outdoor spaces during the pandemic for free.

v) Parking Permits & Car Parking Charges

From the 19th of July, Car Parking Charges will be introduced across the Vale of Glamorgan. This will come into force across the County's Country Parks.

On the same day, parking permit zones will also be introduced. Residents can apply for a free parking permit - parking zones are to be implemented near Cosmeston Country Park in Penarth, to areas around Barry Island and the Knap, Middlegate Court in Cowbridge and a number of streets in Ogmore-By-Sea.

A decision on whether a similar approach is appropriate near Llandough hospital will be taken shortly by the Vale Cabinet.

33. Update on Defibrillator Installation & Management

An update was provided on the installation of the new defibrillator at the Murchfield Community Centre

All defibrillators in the village have been checked and parts / accessories replaced or topped-up.

All have been registered on the national register and each has been allocated a guardian, who will check the equipment regularly and report back to the Community Council Office, who in turn would update the national register.

Information for **NOTING**

34. To consider Transport for Wales' proposals to install defibrillators at Railway Stations

It was mentioned that 200 defibrillators will be installed at Railway stations in Wales.

Representation to be made in an attempt to have at least one installed in Dinas Powys, with Eastbrook station as the greater priority.

35. To Consider Network Rails proposals in relation to Eastbrook footbridge

Concerns expressed at the duration of works and resulting difficulties for passengers. It was noted that only immediate neighbours to the station had been informed of the proposed works.

Clr R Crowley agreed to contact Network Rail.

36. To consider any items which the Chairman has decided are urgent

Eastbrook River

The overgrowth on the banks of the river flowing through the village has been reported to NRW's maintenance team.

So far, no action has been taken.

37. Matters which the Chairman and other Members may wish to bring before Council

Keep Clear signs on Cardiff Rd

Felt to be needed at junctions with minor roads, particularly as traffic levels are now increasing.

Cllr A Robertson to discuss with VOG Officer

Remembrance Day

Cllr J Fanshaw brought to the attention of the meeting that planning for Remembrance needs to begin shortly. Anyone wishing to join the Committee, please get in touch.

Date of Next Meeting

The next Full Council Meeting will be held on 9 September 2021 at 6.30 pm

Signature: Date: