

CYNGOR CYMUNED DINAS POWYS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

COSAC Committee

Minutes of Meeting

Old Library, Dinas Powys
20 March 2019 at 6.30pm

Present:

Cllr A Robertson (Chair)
Cllr C Franks
Cllr R Williams
Cllr M Hartrey
Cllr E Jenkins

Cllr A Asbrey
Cllr V Driscoll
N Gaskell (Allotments)
Cllr S Kear-Smith

Also In Attendance:-

Andy Perry & Katie Stamp – Junior Football Festival
Emily Ward-Smith - Family Fun Day

71. Apologies for Absence:

S Davies (Footpaths)

72. Declaration of Interests

Cllr A Asbrey declared in interest in item 12 on the Agenda – on matters relating to NRW
Cllr M Hartrey declared in interest on item 8 on the Agenda – on matters relating to Allotments

73. Junior Football Tournament

Permission is being requested for the staging this event on the Common on 11 May 2019, including the parking of vehicles. A site meeting has already been held with DPCC representatives to enable better understanding of the proposal.

The event is to be a mixed competition for youngsters aged 6 – 11; with in the region of 680 players; each game lasting between 8 and 25 minutes.

Organisers claim they have commitment from sufficient volunteers who will focus their attentions on car parking and cleaning as well as before event preparations. St John's Ambulance will be in attendance; and the local PCSOs will be informed. The local athletics, rugby and cricket clubs have been consulted.

The organisers will arrange for the grass on the playing area will be cut to the correct requirements, at their own expense.

Parking will only be permitted on the Common if the ground conditions are favourable. DPCC representatives will inspect the site prior to the event and either grant or deny permission accordingly. This matter will not be open to negotiation.

The organisers were reminded that parking on pavements is not permissible at any time.

74. Family Fun Day

2019 will see the 3rd year of this event, although a final date has not yet been set. There appeared to be a desire to avoid clashes and main holiday period.

Emma stated that whilst last year, the event went well, she was significantly lacking in support and would welcome assistance with a number of aspects including marketing, secretariat, litter clearance, marking out of pitches etc

Cllrs A Asbrey & Kear-Smith offered their support and assistance.

75. Confirmation of Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on 16 January 2019 were taken as read, and on the Motion of Cllr M Hartrey and seconded by Cllr C Franks, it was **AGREED** that the Minutes are approved as a true record.

76. Matters Arising from Minutes

Item 67 – Siting of Storage Containers

The Golf Club have agreed to site the Scouts' containers on within the curtilage of the Club.

Item 61 Station Road Closure

Works on the gas pipes are coming to an end.

Item 58 – Footpaths Report/Update

Footpath 13 – This has been passed to VOG who will be dealing with the matter.

77. Footpaths Report / Update

No update available.

78. Allotments Report / Update

A comparison of allotment charges levied by different bodies in the region was undertaken and presented to Committee. Prices per perch ranged from £3.30 to £12.50.

Following a vote, it was **AGREED** that the fees be raised to £5.25 per perch, per annum, from 2020.

There are 2 new tenants who appear extremely enthusiastic.
The BBQ agreed by Committee last year is planned for this summer.
Plot 11B is inactive. Letter to be sent.

79. Cemetery Report / Update

a) Land acquisition

Cllr A Robertson has now clarified land ownership and has contacted the landowners in order to explore the possibility of land acquisition to add to the cemetery / allotment parcel. Whilst there has been a mixed response, dialogue will continue.

b) Re-positioning of Litter Bin

It has been requested that one of the litter bins is moved as it is located very close to a grave.

80. Grounds Maintenance Quotes (Confidential Item)

- a) Cemetery & Allotments
2 quotes received.
- b) The Common & Scout Field
Only one quote was submitted.

It was proposed by Cllr V Driscoll, seconded by Cllr C Franks and **UNANIMOUSLY AGREED** that the most beneficial quote for the cemetery / allotments and the only quote for the Common & Scout Field were accepted.

81. Fly Tipping Issues

A perpetrator was caught in Dinas Powys recently and enforcement action is being taken.

82. NRW - Flood Defences Update

There is a great deal of disquiet in M-L-P and a strong criticism of NRW based on research of recent projects.

DPCC is in a difficult position – a flood prevention scheme would be potentially beneficial to come residents and detrimental to others.

Recent development and lack of maintenance to the course of the river have added to the problem.

There has been no meaningful consultation by NRW and no significant dialogue between VOG & NRW. More detail on design and proposals would be welcome.

NRW to be invited to next COSAC meeting to provide an update.

Meanwhile, Clerk to set up a single-topic meeting with MLP CC.

[Cllr C Franks left the meeting]

83. Commemorative Trees & Plaques.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY AGREED** that the dead trees commemorating the Queen's 90th Birthday be replaced and plaques installed, at the appropriate time of year.

84. Overgrown Shrubbery

Cllrs E Jenkins and A Asbrey are to address the area around St Cadoc's / Wellwood Drive next, inviting local residents to assist with a litter-pick in the area.

85. Any items which the Chairman has decided are urgent

A request has been received by a resident to replace gravel on the access road to cottages on the Common. A site visit was undertaken. There would be no cost to the Council

Cllr A Robertson proposed and it was **UNANIMOUSLY AGREED** that permission be granted.

A 'No Through Road' sign was also requested. Cllr A Roberston to contact VOG.

The removal of lower branches of a sycamore tree alongside the access road has also been requested. Clerk asked to get a quote for work.

86. Any other Business

There was no other Business

87. Date of Next Meeting – Wednesday, 22 May 2019

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