

CYNGOR CYMUNED DINAS POWYS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Full Council

Minutes of Meeting

Virtual Meeting
23 July 2020, at 6.00pm

Present:

Cllr J Fanshaw (Chair)
Cllr R Grigg (Vice Chair)
Cllr S Griffiths
Cllr A Asbrey

Cllr V Driscoll
Cllr C Franks
Cllr A Robertson
Cllr S Thomas

140. Apologies for Absence:

Cllr M Hartrey
Cllr R Crowley
Cllr M Pratt
Cllr K Hatton

Cllr J Barker
Cllr S Kear-Smith
Cllr R Williams
Cllr E Jenkins

[Due to the Chairman experiencing difficulties with audio quality, the Vice-Chair took the meeting]

141. Declaration of Interests

Cllr R Grigg declared an interest in an item on the Planning Schedule (Item 7a).

142. To Confirm Minutes of Meeting held on 25 June 2020

Minutes of the meeting held on **25 June 2020** were taken as read, and on the Motion of Cllr. A Robertson and seconded by Cllr. V Driscoll, it was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes be **APPROVED**

143. Matters Arising from Minutes

Item 129 – Update on NRW Flood Management

Cllr Roberson informed Council that the Cwm George Bundits group are to continue to operate and keep a watchful eye and pressure should be maintained on NRW to begin implementing natural flood defences and undertaking physical improvements.

It grass cutting on the bank of the river had resulted in the cuttings being cast in to the waterway. Clerk to investigate.

Item 132 – Parish Hall Roof Repairs

Comparability of quotes was confirmed to the satisfaction of the Chair of Finance. Contractor given the go-ahead, Work is to commence in September.

Item 137) – CiLCA

Council were informed that the Assistant Clerk had successfully completed the Certificate in Local Council Administration. Congratulations are to be conveyed. One additional increment in salary to be awarded.

Item 139 a) – Rotary Club Signage Request

Awaiting further information

Item 139b) – Kerbstones and pavements

- Broken paving at the Woodlands development will be picked up as part of the snagging process;
- Kerbstones at Perclose are to be scheduled into Vale of Glamorgan's work plan.

139 d) – Removal of Cross Common Bridge

Timeframe is unclear. Changes in contractors have created additional delays.

144. To Authorise and Confirm the Payment of Accounts and Financial Position of Council

Cllr. J Fanshaw proposed, Cllr. C Franks seconded and Council **APPROVED** the Income and Expenditure Schedules and Financial Position as at 30 June 2020.

145. County Councillors Report

Council Meetings Update

Only two VOG Committee meeting have taken place virtually, so far.

Road and Pathway Closures

A number of temporary closures will be in place over the next few week to enable resurfacing and maintenance.

Playgrounds

Play areas across the Vale began opening on 20 July with appropriate Safety measures in place.

Members were advised that there are problems with older youths hanging around the Murch Play area, intimidating youngsters, misusing equipment and disturbing local residents.

Fly Tipping Update

Multiple instances of local fly tipping in recent months have resulted in two Fixed Penalty Notices being issued. Concerns were expressed by the apparent spike in incidences.

146. 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**

b) Finance & General Purposes Committee Update

There has been a huge drop in income due to closure of the Halls. Expenditure has been reduced where possible in an attempt to balance the books.

The cash flow forecast has been amended accordingly and projections provided for the full-term outturn. Although these are only estimates, they are based on what is known and an element of best-guess.

c) COSAC Update

- i. Cemetery - Upgrading of the Cemetery Footpath completed
- ii. The cemetery extension had been discussed by Committee for some time. Members unanimously **AGREED** to the removal of the soil tip as a matter of urgency. This has now been completed.
- iii. Overgrown hedges – letters were sent to households.
- iv. Litter bin at Station Rd end of DP Common is to be replaced.
- v. DP Common play area was opened on Tuesday.
- vi. The Allotments waiting list continues to grow.

d) Halls update

Halls have not been used since lockdown with a £12,000 loss of income to date.

Enquiries have begun to come in, but as yet there is no guidance or dates for re-opening.

The stage lighting scheme will be completed this week.

147. CRUZ (Community Recreational Use Zone)

The original timeframe suggested that the site would be handed over in the summer of 2021. It is likely that this will be delayed a little.

We are currently awaiting draft Heads of Terms to begin negotiations for a lease on the site.

Initial discussions have taken place regarding end-use, but these are still in the early stages. Further consultation may need to be undertaken.

It was **AGREED** that a working group of 6 Members would be set up to bring this project forward.

148. Urgent Items from the Chairman

A request has been made to hire out the Halls Garden to run a fitness class for up to six young children. A risk assessment has been undertaken, social distancing will be

maintained and parents provided with details of restricted facilities and conditions that would need to be adhered to.

Current regulations allow for socially distanced outdoor activities.

It was agreed that this activity could be granted permission subject to the Clerk being satisfied with the Risk Assessment.

149. Matters Members wish to bring before Council

a) Fly-Tipping

This is once again becoming an issue in the area. VOG had success in prosecutions recently and will continue to pursue offenders. This is particularly a problem if private land is used as the County Council has no jurisdiction, nor will they remove the material without charge. The responsibility for the removal of such material is that of the landowner.

b) Allotment Inspection

Cllr A Asbrey undertook the allotment inspection accompanied by the Allotments Representative. All appeared well.

c) Cross Common Junction

The overgrowth on the junction of Cross Common Road with Barry Road has resulted in poor visibility for traffic turning across the carriageway and heading into Dinas Powys. Cllr A Roberston to raise the matter with VOG officers.

Date of Next Meeting

10 September 2020

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