

**CYNGOR CYMUNED  
TRELAWNYD & GWAENYSGOR  
COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Minutes of the **Meeting of Biodiversity Committee** held remotely on Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2021 at 7.00pm.

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PRESENT: Councillor M. Jones (Chair).  
Councillors: D.M. Allen, J.E. Lloyd-Ellis.  
External Members: G. Jones and K. Manley.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from D. Ellis, P. Humphrey-Jones, and M. Wenger. It was further noted that P. Humphrey-Jones had given notice of his resignation from the Committee, with immediate effect.

IN ATTENDANCE: J. Baker (Clerk).

BC1. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIR – 2021/22 MUNICIPAL YEAR

The Chair asked for any nominations. Cllr M. Jones was proposed and duly seconded.

RESOLVED:

That Cllr M. Jones be elected Chair for the 2021/22 municipal year.

BC2. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE VICE CHAIR – 2021/22 MUNICIPAL YEAR

The Chair asked for any nominations. Cllr D.M. Allen was proposed and duly seconded.

RESOLVED:

That Cllr D.M. Allen be elected Vice-Chair for the 2021/22 municipal year.

BC3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – MEMBERS’ CODE OF CONDUCT

Minute No.	Name	Personal	Prejudicial	Nature of Interest
BC7 1)	K. Manley		✓	Trustee of Trelawnyd Community Association

BC4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING – THURSDAY 15<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2021

- Ash Dieback Disease – Dewi Ellis to contact Chris Cairns about the replacement saplings to be planted.
- The WI were running a competition through the Neighbourhood Award scheme; judging would take place in July 2021.

BC5. JOINT WORKING OPPORTUNITY

Members considered the email from the Trelawnyd Community Association, that concerned partnership working. Members saw this Committee as an umbrella group that would coordinate with local groups across the community, as and when specific projects are considered, or the need arises.

RESOLVED:

Clerk to confirm the arrangements with the Trelawnyd Community Association and Gwaenysgor Conservation Group.

BC6. BUDGET UPDATE

Members reviewed the budget statement. It was noted that £1,000 had been delegated for Committee usage by the Council, and a further £1,000 may be available subject to Council approval.

BC7. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTS

1) Trelawnyd Community Association – Pond Project

Members considered a £1,200 contribution to a pond development project, phased over two years (£600 in 21/22, £600 in 22/23). Members were mindful that proper community consultation should be undertaken, and further clarity was needed on the specific details of the work planned to be undertaken. Members noted there was a road drain routed into the pond. Cllr J.E. Lloyd-Ellis had met Mr Nick Taylor at the pond. The project was being funded through a match fund grant available from the AONB Social Development Fund.

RESOLVED:

That members agree in principle to support the project, subject to Mr Nick Taylor being invited to the next available meeting of the Council (July) to provide further project detail. Cllr J.E. Lloyd-Ellis to liaise with Mr Taylor.

2) Gwaenysgor Conservation Group - Village Green Project

Members considered the above application (£300) put forward by M. Wenger, to purchase plants associated with the project.

RESOLVED:

That members agree in principle to support the project, subject to M. Wenger providing further detail. Clerk to inform Mr Wenger and signpost to Dewi Ellis, as required.

BC8. ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- Plans for both villages. Clerk to follow up with Dewi Ellis.
- G. Jones – WI were progressing a large project with Keep Wales Tidy. The Community Association were looking at funding to provide a sensory garden and vegetable plot. The beds were also being raised in Llys Mostyn.
- Grass verges – Wildflowers were to be sown as part of the Flintshire County Council pilot scheme.
- G. Jones to approach a potential new Committee member.
- K. Manley to confirm if Bridget Richards will remain an active member of this Committee.

BC9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED:

It was agreed for meetings to be bi-monthly, possibly moving to quarterly during the Winter period. Clerk would check available dates for early August. Informal meetings between Committee members could take place at any time as required to progress agreed projects.

BC10. CLOSE OF MEETING

The Chair closed the meeting at 8.00pm.

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Chair