

**CYNGOR CYMUNED
TRELAWNYD & GWAENYSGOR
COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Minutes of the **Meeting of Trelawnyd & Gwaenysgor Community Council**
held virtually on Thursday, 9th March 2023 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: Councillor D.H. Ellis (Chair).

Councillors: P. Jones, I. Papworth,
A. Richards, B. Richards, Abi Jones and County Councillors Gina Madison and
Glyn Banks .

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Ed Lloyd-Ellis

IN ATTENDANCE: Carol Britnell (Clerk), Sue Clark and Sarah Roberts

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – MEMBERS’ CODE OF CONDUCT

Bridget and Andrew Richards and Dai Ellis (Trelawnyd Memorial Hall)
Ian Papworth has received a Dispensation from FCC in regard to the
Memorial Hall.

5. CO-OPTION OF NEW COUNCILLORS

Statements from the prospective councillors had been circulated previously to
All councillors. Both ladies were asked why they wanted to become
Both explained that they had lived in the area for a long time and time now
Wanted to become more involved with the community and represent the
Residents of their village.

All Councillors present agreed that they were in favour of the co-option and
the Chair welcomed the new Councillors to the Council.

6. TRAFFIC IN THE VILLAGES.

Lee Shone had been emailed twice to invite him to come and speak to the
Council regarding an update on the survey and the proposals from FCC.
Unfortunately the Clerk has had no response.

The Back to Twenty scheme will be going live in September, Cllr Banks pointed
out that there would be exceptions but these needed to be lodged now. He
went onto say that there would be anomalies, Talacre, coast road to Gronant
would stay at 40mph. But every 30 limit would become a 20 unless an
exception was noted. Average speed cameras would be used by Police,
County councillors had put areas forward but unfortunately none of them had

Been accepted. Interactive signs had been promised but no action had been taken. He had put forward 8 areas but none had been accepted. The suggestion of a Meeting to try and get some of these measures accepted.

7. MINUTES & MEETINGS

7.1. Approval of Minutes

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the following meetings be approved as a correct record.

- Meeting of the Council held on Thursday 9th February 2023

Proposed by Peter Jones and Seconded by Ian Papworth

7.2. Matters Arising

The trees have now been picked up from PJ, 7 to be planted in Gwaenysgor, with a meeting been agreed for next week to decide planting. 7 to be planted in Trelawnyd, all permissions for planting had now been received.

A Bio-Diversity report needed to be submitted ASAP but apart from The trees there was nothing to report. DE and IP had attended a virtual meeting with AONB regarding the street lighting, this cannot be progressed until the list of lights is received from FCC which is not forthcoming. It was agreed that a letter should be sent to the Chief Exec of FCC to complain about the lack of response to emails and Messages from his officers.

8. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS – March 2023

Date/ number	Payment Method	Creditor Name	Payment Details	Amount £
01/0323	BACS	Carol Britnell	Salary	653.03
02/0323	BACS	Carol Britnell	Expenses (WFH, M/soft, paper)	55.75
03/0323	BACS	One Voice Wales	Membership	161.00
			Total	869.78

It was agreed by all present to make the payments listed above plus the Payment to FCC for the un-invoiced VAT payments for the last four years Amounting to £1,327.01

9. Flintshire CC Lighting Contract and Electricity

The new Street Light Contract has been received from FCC, the costs could Be astronomical and are not budgeted for within this years budget. FCC Informed the council that many of the lighting hoods need replacing at a Cost of £270 plus VAT each and a new light costing £2,150.00 plus VAT The cost of inspection amounts to £1,075.00 plus VAT per year. This is a big Increase and these extra costs have not been included in the precept Budget. Clerk to contact regarding the list of lights not received despite Previous requests. If not forthcoming the Chair will arrange a meeting at Altami to get this. No list no contract. The AONB may be the answer and IP And DE to follow this avenue up. Suggested by GB that we look into a loan To update the street lighting over ten years as the savings could cover the Loan.

10. Place Plan

Thanks to PJ for updating suggestions, these helped and made it so much Easier. Pointed out that the church/chapel in Trelawnyd had now all Closed, this to be amended in the plan. All agreed to the adoption once Done and would be readopted with the other updated policies at the AGM.

11. Memorial Hall Insurance

A proposal has been put forward that the Memorial Hall Buildings Insurance should be continued to be covered by the Community Council. The TCA are unable to obtain this insurance due to historic subsidence That has been addressed previously. As the owner of the Building the Community Council can carry on with this insurance from their current Provider. The cost of the insurance would be taken from the yearly grant To the TCA to help with costs. Four councillors (AJ, PJ, IP and SC) were in Agreement and approved the proposal.

There would need to be a slight amendment to the lease to show that the Council would be doing this and why. All in favour.

12. Holywell Leisure Centre

The request for funding to help with costs from Holywell Leisure Centre

Was discussed, the councillors would have liked to support this Application but felt that at this time they couldn't. Clerk to inform.

13. Summer Play Scheme

The proposal had been sent to all councillors just prior to the meeting, there was some discussion about the proposal but it was felt that more time was needed to properly assess it.

Agreed that it would be put on the Agenda for the next meeting.

14. Letter regarding the Cluster proposal agreed by Councillors and to be sent Contact, Roger Seddon to provide details.

15. Planning

FUL/000070/23, extension to Barn, the Councillors agreed that the had no Issues with this application, there were no access issues and that it should Be approved.

FUL/000114/23, Lodges at Rose Hill Cottages, Issues with this application Including access to the site, strain on the sewage system already Overloaded, species on site. The Councillors were not in favour of this Application and felt it should not be approved. PJ abstained from the vote.

There have been increasing issues with applications coming through with a Response time before the next meeting allowing Councillors time to Respond after discussion at a meeting. It was agreed that a letter be sent to Planning regarding this. To try and stop this situation happening in the Future a suggestion was put forward that a sub group be set up to discuss Any applications with a response time outside of meetings. The group Would discuss these applications, form a response which would then be Sent to Councillors who would have three days to respond to the clerk. If no Objections to the report received the clerk would then forward the report To Planning. All in favour of this course of action. The sub group would be Made up of two councillors from each village.

SC and S from Gwaenysgor and DE and IP from Trelawynd

16. Chairs Update

The Chair has received a response from FCC regarding the work behind the Nazareth Chapel. FCC are writing to the owners regarding the work which Does not have planning permission. They have not consulted with Neighbours and have disregarded the Conservation Area. DE to contact FCC for an update.

DE has received a letter from the school regarding new fencing for the Playing field. The Head is obtaining quotes for this, this cost has not been Included in the Precept.

Issues in Gwaenysgor regarding the blocking of the Notice Board by parked Cars. No markings on the road to prohibit this, FCC to be contacted Regarding this.

Denbighshire CC are in agreement about gates at the top of Gwaenysgor Hill, PJ to supply name and contact details for DCC contact and clerk to Contact for an update.

Meeting Closed at 8:58pm

Next Meeting Thursday 13th April 2023, 7pm at Gwaenysgor Village Hall.

8. Biodiversity – The Councillors would like to follow up on a lighting survey, Would also like to have follow up from FCC regarding the survey about Lighting. The siting of the trees was also discussed.
9. Planning.
Consultation regarding the proposed application for a Touring Caravan site at Pentre-Ffyddion Farm, Trelawnyd, LL18 6EB
The proposal was discussed and the Councillors felt it was something they could support as they felt it would be good for the Village and would support local businesses. They did have several concerns around Road Safety, they felt it needed a slip road in and out to allow slow moving caravans to safely enter exit the road. There needed to be lighting installed and they would like to see a Drainage plan but they did agree with the AONB that an archaeological survey of the Dyke should be commissioned.

10. Place Plan
The Place Plan had previously been sent to the Councillors as it needs to be updated. To be included in the Agenda for March. PJ to send the clerk his suggestions for this, this will be sent to the councillors prior to the meeting.
11. Memorial Hall Insurance
The current buildings insurance, held by the Community Council runs till June. The proposal is that the Community Council should continue to cover the Hall as it is still the owner, the insurance company have agreed to this. The fee for the Insurance would be part of the grant to TCA every year. As there were not sufficient councillors present, due to conflict of interest, it was agreed that a decision would be made at a later meeting.
12. Speed in Trelawnyd
It was agreed that this would be deferred until the March Meeting and that Lee Shone (FCC) be invited to attend to update the Councillors on any proposals regarding this.
13. Play Scheme
FCC had sent out the pricing for the Play Scheme for Trelawnyd and Gwaenysgor, it was felt that it did not represent value for money. TCA have expressed an interest in running a Play Scheme for the Council from the Memorial Hall. BR to provide the council with a budget for this to the next meeting.
14. Updating Policies and Procedures
Training Plan to be updated as is a legal requirement following a Government Consultation (11/12/2022) Electoral Administration and Reform White Paper (October 22)
15. Councillor Vacancies
Posters detailing the vacancies to be put on the Notice Boards in both villages, Clerk to send the advert to all contacts from the Planning meeting in January. Should there be more than two applicants by the closing date a small committee consisting of DE, PJ and BR to assess them prior to the meeting.
16. Chairs Update
The Chair updated the Councillors of the proposed sites for building that will be included in the latest LDP which included the School Field that had recently been transferred to the school on a lease from the Community Council.
17. CLOSE OF MEETING

The Chair closed the meeting at 8.40pm.

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Chair