

**CYNGOR CYMUNED
TRELAWNYD & GWAENYSGOR
COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Minutes of the **Meeting of Trelawnyd & Gwaenysgor Community Council**
held at **Gwaenysgor Village Hall** on Thursday , 12th January 2023 at 7.00pm.

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

Councillors: P. Jones, I. Papworth,

A. Richards, B. Richards, John Whiteway, Abi Jones and Ed Lloyd – Ellis.

County Councillors: Glyn Banks and Gina Madison.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from David Allan

IN ATTENDANCE: Carol Britnell (Clerk), Max Wenger, Sarah Roberts, G.Borders,
C.Borders, Sue Borders, Mal Roberts, Jen Williams, Gareth Williams, Nanette
Barnard, Ian Barnard, Mike Hodgson, Sue Clarke, Andy Clarke, Dani Roberts (AONB)
David Shiel (AONB) Darrel Jones (FCC)

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – MEMBERS’ CODE OF CONDUCT

None advised.

5. MINUTES & MEETINGS

5.1. Approval of Minutes

RESOLVED:

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

- Meeting of the Council held on Thursday 10th December 2022

Proposed by Ian Papworth and Seconded by Peter Jones

5.2. Matters Arising

No matters arising but update on the Trelawnyd Memorial Hall was Given by the Chair. The lease has now been signed and the TCA have taken over the running of the hall, the Caretaker is now in the employ of the TCA. The accounts for bills have also been transferred to the TCA with the final bills due to be paid. There will be a rebate from the Water Bill as they have been estimating it for the last year.

6. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED:

That the following schedule of accounts be approved for payment.

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS January 2023

Voucher Number	Payment Method	Creditor Name	Payment Details	Amount £
1/12/22	BACS	Carol Britnell	January Wage	653.03
2/12/22	BACS	Carol Britnell	WFH, Microsoft, Go Daddy	93.83
3/12/22	BACS	ICO	Data protection Fee	40.00
			Total	786.86

* Agreement of the Council to the above being paid, proposed by John Whiteway and seconded by Ed Lloyd-Ellis, All in agreement

7. Street Lighting

This had been looked at last year with AONB with a view to reduce electric costs, possibly a pilot project? Funding for the costs of a survey. AONB are working to reduce the effects of lighting on the environment. LED has a detrimental effect – we are all sensitive to this. Possible partnerships with other organisations to support this work, with funding from Welsh Government to work across areas.

How can AONB help to achieve cost savings in the area? They can assist the Council to work out a project in the area that should achieve savings. They have done the lighting plan at Loggerheads. Welsh Dark Sky Week is 17 – 25 February. The right lighting is needed not ‘no lighting’ including the colour, temperature and direction. They could do a survey and suggest improvements, also signpost to possible funding or loans serviced by the savings in Electric costs.

Darrel Jones, Flintshire County Council, suggested a meeting between FCC, AONB and Ian Papworth to discuss further. AONB have some funding that could be used for a survey and could include both villages. It does take account of Health and Safety and could fund a designer for a scheme, with possible further funding for the first stage. In addition could assist with help to apply for further funding. SALEX Funding – borrow from the government and repay over ten years.

8. Biodiversity – Awards for All Update

IP has been leading on this project to move it forward, the trees and ancillary items have been ordered, the AONB Rangers have agreed to assist with planting. Placement of trees will need to be agreed and IP suggested that the members of the group should have a look at the sites for planting. Indigenous trees have been ordered by the Tree Officer, 6 to 10 foot trees have been ordered, including Oak and Rowan.

9. Planning.

There have been changes to legislation, so the chair read the new guidelines for this part of the meeting.

Application 790 – Demolition of existing buildings and a new home office and gym to be built, alongside demolition of part of a boundary wall, new parking spaces and a Vehicle charge point.

The Applicant – Mr Hodgson spoke for three minutes regarding the application and why it should be supported. The Climate Change Agenda was passed round. **Several of the Residents present wanted to speak but were not allowed. See note at end of minutes and minutes from Special Planning Meeting 18/1/2023** The Councillors discussed the application, the Clerk had been advised by a Planning officer that the wall was being dealt with separately so did not need to be included.

Four Councillors voted for the application, four against and one abstention. All were against the removal of the wall.

Application 778 – All the councillors agreed with this application and approved it.

Application 2/23 – Eagle and Child retrospective application for change of use from Agricultural land to a Car Park.

This application was discussed, and it was felt that it supported the Village by providing additional parking in a problem area. Seven Councillors in favour of the application and one abstention.

10. Budget and Precept

The new proposed Budget had been sent to the Councillors prior to the Meeting and all were in agreement with it, it means a 3.4% increase in the

Precept, mostly due to the rising costs of electricity for the Street Lights and the costs of upkeep of same. It was agreed that the clerk would complete the form and submit to Flintshire County Council.

11. CLOSE OF MEETING

The Chair closed the meeting at 8.45pm.

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Chair

Due to a misinterpretation of the rules residents who were against the applications were not permitted to speak. We apologise for this mistake and to rectify it held another meeting on Wednesday 18TH January where residents were given the opportunity to have their say. The Vote from the second meeting was submitted to FCC Planning by the deadline.