**CEIRIOG UCHAF COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

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| **COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING**  **4th July 2023** | **Present:**  **Cllr Benning (Chair),**  **Cllr D Berriman**  **Cllr S Berriman,**  **Cllr Claybrook**  **Cllr Evans Swogger**  **Cllr A Jones**  **Cllr G Jones**  **Cllr Morris**  **County Cllr Bates**  **PCSO Gareth Jones**  **Clerk: Miles Matile**. |

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| **1** | **APOLOGIES** | **NONE** |  |
| **2** | **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS RELATED TO ANY AGENDA ITEM** | **NONE RECORDED** |  |

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| **No** | **AGENDA ITEM** | **DISCUSSION** | **ACTION**  **WHO/WHEN** |
| **3** | **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**  **13th June 2023** | **APPROVED**  **PROPOSED** : Cllr Evans Swogger  **SECONDED**: Cllr Aled Jones |  |
| **4** | **MATTERS ARISING**  **13th JUNE 2023** |  |  |
| **4(i)** | **CCTV** | * Cllr Benning confirmed that he had made further enquiries with SecureCam. He has obtained an app which allows for all recordings to be viewed and allows access for the Police if requested. No further improvements to the existing system can be made but it provides an adequate response. * Recommended that as the system is now 4 years old. the Council should consider a potential upgrade during its discussions about the Precept later in the year. |  |
| **4 (ii)** | **CENTENARY PLANNING** | * Cllr D Berriman and the Clerk informed the Council that further work had been undertaken by Sylvia Jones in designing a programme leaflet and it was ready to go to print in preparation for the first event on the S**aturday 15th July** at the Memorial Institute with the historic exhibition. * The Programme through the remainder of 2023 would allow for 7 events, 5 of which will take place in Ceiriog Uchaf. The first event will be attended by the Mayor of Wrexham who will officially open the Exhibition of the ‘**Saving of the Valley’** * The Council considered two proposals for the printing of the brochure and approved by a vote of 5-3, to follow the advice of the designer and make a s137 payment of £200 to W O Jones of Llangefni to provide 2000 printed brochures- to a submitted specification. These will be available for the 15th July. * The Council asked that any financial surplus from the events be donated to a local Ceiriog Charity.   **The Council wished to thank Sylvia and Trefor Jones for all the time they have given freely, both in designing the brochures and organising several of the events**. |  |
| **4 (iii)** | **COMMUNITY AGENT** | The Clerk informed the Council that there had been a further, very recent meeting with Wrexham CBC and the Clerk of Glyn Ceiriog   * Since the 1st April Christina Brewin has provided 60 hours to Ceiriog Uchaf as a result of referrals made to her. The case for a community agent is already established. * Glyn Ceiriog CC are still in negotiations with WCBC as to the form and wording of the contract to provide the additional day. As a consequence no money has been transferred for salary. * A further meeting is to take place to determine a resolution. | CLERK to advise the Council on the progress of the agreement between respective Community Councils. |
| **4 (iv)** | **DE-FIBRILATOR** | * The Clerk informed the Council that contact had been made with Adam Salomson regarding its potential re-location. * Given the complexity of re-location and its long-term destination it was agreed that no decision would be taken at this point. | **Chair and Clerk** to review this and advise the Council later in the year |
| **4 (v)** | **LICENSING OF SHOOTS** | The Clerk informed the Council that he had had completed the National Resources Wales Survey and represented the views of the Council and the decision of the 13th June 2023 |  |
| **5** | **REPORTS** |  |  |
| **5 (i)** | **NORTH WALES POLICE** | The Council was very pleased to receive a report from Gareth Jones.   * Recorded crime data was aggregated for the entire valley and comprised of a range of offences against person and property; * A request for PACT funding for the Friday Drop-In has been made and it is hoped that £250 would be received which will be paid directly to the Hall Committee |  |
| **5 (ii)** | **WREXHAM CBC** | Cllr Bates:   * Confirmed his involvement with a number of Council departments and that WCBC continued to manage services in a very difficult financial climate. * ‘SmartWater’ is being introduced across North Wales for the protection of property. Each item can be marked to the individual owner so that in the event of theft and re-capture – it can be returned. |  |
| **5(iii)** | **OFF-ROADING** | * Cllr D Berriman and Cllr Bates confirmed their continued involvement with relevant Associations and the police to monitor and advise on the Council’s approach to off-roading. * The had been 77 responses sent to WCBC in relation to the proposed Traffic Restriction Order. |  |
| **6** | **DRAFT STANDING ORDERS** |  |  |
|  | **ADOPTION OF STANDING ORDERS** | The Clerk presented updated Standing Orders to the Council. Standing Orders had been previously presented in 2018 which were approved. The current Standing Orders are based upon a model format from One Voice Wales and have been adapted for this Council.  The Council approved their adoption. | **Clerk** to send to Unity Bank |
| **7** | **HUW MORUS MONUMENT** |  |  |
|  |  | The Chair confirmed that the MP for Clwyd South would attend some date to show his appreciation for the work of the various parties in the restoration of the monument. |  |
| **8** | **FINANCES** | * The Clerk provided the Council with a list of payments since the last meeting. * The Clerk also circulated an ‘*expenditure against budget’* sheet for **Month 3** which showed an ‘improved projection on the planned deficit. This now stands at **-£310.25** * The Clerk issued the balance of accounts up to 04/07/2023 **£5,859.49** * Formal transfer from HSBC to Unity Trust Bank is on-going subject to the provision of Standing Orders. * The Council will have a full audit this year. * Cllr S Berriman requested an early consideration of spending in 2024-2025 to enable forward planning of the Precept |  |
| **9** | **ANY OTHER BUSINESS** |  |  |
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| **10** | **NEXT MEETINGS** |  |  |
|  | **1st AUGUST 2023 @ 7.00** | COUNCIL MEETING |  |