

**Ceiriog Uchaf Community Council / Cyngor Cymuned**  
**Minutes of meeting held on Tues 5<sup>th</sup> September 2017 7.30pm**

Meeting opened at 7.30pm

Present : Cllrs F Evans-Swoggers (Chair), RW Edwards, GM Jones, JW Thomas, EW Morris, K.L.Benning, JW Thomas, E. Owens

Apologies: P.C.S.O Martin Griffiths

Declaration of Interest

Minutes of last meeting: Found to be a correct record. Prop. By Cllr KL Benning & sec. by Cllr.GM Jones

Matters Arising :

070 Co-Option -

To fill a vacancy. Cllr EW Morris proposed Jonathon Greatorex, The Hand Hotel, for consideration & this was unanimously accepted. Formal procedure to be carried out at next meeting.

071 Police Report –

No PCSO present. Police report for July & August reported crime was low. However, councillors were concerned by ongoing problems with 4x4 's, in particular, a case of criminal damage on Swch Cae Rhiw moor, Llanarmon, where they gained illegal access to the moor by breaking a padlock on one gate and destroying another gate & gatepost at the other side of the track when they left. This was reported by Elgan Jones & he has written to Ken Skates Assembly Member & Susan Jones M.P. We await their responses.

Cllr EW Morris informed the police on July 23 of two 4x4's stuck in his pond. P.C.Roberts (Rhos Police Station) took a statement 2 weeks ago & has yet to hear anything further. Jonathon Greatorex recorded video of 4x4's in the village at 2.30am, shortly after the break-in; no response. Cllr EW Morris suggested the clerk write to the police, stating that any response-action takes too long. Further instances of illegal off- road activity was cited. Cllr Trevor Bates (WCBC) has had meetings with various bodies & is pursuing various avenues.

072 Finance/Bank - The balance at 3 Sept 2017 was £7046.09. 2 cheques outstanding, each for the sum of £100. Balance £6846.09.

Thank you letters received from Wales Air Ambulance for £100 donation; Ceiriog Valley Federation for £100 donation.

A.on Insurance will no longer be willing to undertake local council insurance next year.

073 Planning -

Plans have been submitted for extension & renovation at The West Arms. Jonathon Greatorex declared an interest & stated he had no comment.

074 Roads/Lighting:-

Unit 7 opposite the school has been repaired – Hallelullah !!!

The Ceiriog Valley Partnership has received an estimate of costs from WCBC to replace valley signs with signs previously approved by CUCC. This price has been negotiated from £1906 down to a much reduced £906. If each community council can split the cost between them by contributing £302, Jo Bickerton (Destination Manager WCBC) will ask highways to proceed with the work. Cllr KL Benning proposed that the Community Council paid for these signs, as they will much improve the image of the village & in light of the fact that the external auditor was concerned with the amount of liquidity held. Seconded by Cllr EM Jones & voted unanimously.

Cllr Benning was concerned by the dangerous state of the road from Tregeiriog to Pen Rallt. Clerk to write letter & copy to T Bates (WCBC)

Reports from Committee Reps -None

#### 075 A.O.B

Cllr Evans-Swogger volunteered to provide new signs for Public loos available at The West & for new signs outside the church, as existing ones are looking pretty old.

Cllr T Bates (WCBC) is to make further enquiries as to whether WCBC will repair the Public Convenience roof, prior to handing it over to the Hall Committee.

Cllr JW Thomas thought the police should be asked to attend next meeting, as it is some time since they were present.

Next meeting Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> October 7.30pm Centenary Hall, Llanarmon D.C.

Meeting closed 20.38