

CYNGOR CYMUNED Y FELINHELI

Minutes of the meeting held on the 8 th April 2014 at the Memorial Hall, Y Felinheli at 7pm.		
PRESENT		
Ken Brown (KB)	Daniel Williams (DW)	
Lena Ashley (LA)	Siân Gwenllïan (SG)	
Iestyn Harris (IH)	Pat Jones (PT)	
George Smith (GS)	Nerys John (NJ)	
Sarah Riley (SR)		
Wynne Barton - Swyddog Ariannol		
1.0	WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS	
	The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming the member and thanking Councillor Iestyn Harris for chairing the two meetings whilst he has been absent. Apologies: Bethan Jones, Louise Hughes, Gwyneth Williams	
1.1	Motion for the One Voie Conference. See appendix A. The matter was discussed and it was decided the motion would be supported. The Clerk to forward the motion to On Voice Wales.	CLERK
1.2	County Councillor's Report – See appendix B. In addition the following items were discussed. Referendum – there is means for Gwynedd Council on behalf of the Community Council to hold a referendum on local campaigns i order to ascertain local opinion. The council was of the opinion that the principle was right but further discussion was required. It was decided that the item would be placed on the agenda for May. Church Hall Car Park – The Councillor stated that discussions can be stared again on this matter and that she would be arranging to contact the Rural Dean. Culvert on Ffordd Llwyn - requires to be cleaned. Glan y Môr – Discussions need to be held as how best to develop the area on Beach Road. It was suggested that ideas could be asked from Civil Engineering Students of Coleg Menai and an exhibition could be held during Gŵyl y Felin. The Clerk to speak to Coleg Menai. Councillor Siân Gwenllïan left the meeting after these items were discussed.	SG CLERK
2.0	DECLARATION OF INTEREST	
	None	
3.0	Minutes	
	The minutes for March were presented. The Council were eager for the minutes in regard of the planning applications to be changed. The minutes to be presented at the next meeting for ratification.	CLERK
4.0	MATTERS ARISING	
4.1	Footpath 21 - (Cefnau Tai) – the Clerk gave a short report on the matter and that Gwynedd Council are to make enquiries with the Land Registry to ascertain ownership. This was as a result of then receiving a copy of an old letter dated 7 th November 2000 from Watkin Jones to the Planning	

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	and Economic Development Department stating that they were not the owners of the land. Gwynedd Council has the responsibility for ensuring that the footpath is suitable for walking. The Clerk to contact Gwynedd Council for advice in responding to Bangor Street residents who brought the matter to the attention of the Community Council.	CLERC
4.2	Dog Fouling – the Clerk stated that she had received the observations of Gwynedd Council on the matter. Felinheli had a number of Dog Fouling bins and that no further bins would be introduced, also normal bins can be used if secured bags were used.	
4.3	Bridge across the Lon Las -Gwynedd Council had closed the Lon Las for dealing with the bridge. The path has now been reopened.	
5.0	REPORT OF THE HALL MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE	
	The Chairman thanked Councillors Daniel Williams and Iestyn Harris for their work in regard to the Hall’s floor. Councillor Daniel Williams gave a detailed explanation on the problems with the floor, he also gave a report on how these problems can be solved. A quote for introducing a vent is to be requested from the builder Islwyn Owen. Some tiles have become loose from the gable end of the Hall which will require scaffolding to be erected so that the work can be completed. Quotations for the work are being sought.	DW
6.0	CONFIRMATION OF LAST MONTHS EXPENDITURE AND FINANCIAL REPORT	
	The expenditure for March was confirmed. The Financial Officer also presented an extended trial balance to the Council for information.	
7.0	CORRESPONDENCE	
	Tregwylan Management Ltd. – Received via The County Councillor Siân Gwenllïan. The letter stated the observations of the Tregwylan Management on the approved planning application on the restaurant in the Marina. The matter was discussed and it was decided that a letter be sent to them stating that the Community Council discusses planning applications at their monthly meeting and that any future observations on future planning applications would be welcomed from them.	CLERK
	Tregwylan Management Ltd. – Received via the County Councillor Siân Gwenllïan. Observations were received for information purposed in regard to the matter planning appeal on the Retrospective application to retain existing advertisement together with the proposed erection of roof structure above advertisement. (C13/1295/20/HY)	
8.0	MEMORIAL CLOCK REPORT	
	A detailed report on the Clock’s condition was given by Councillor Daniel Williams. He stated that he had been incontact with Patrick Stirrs an hed received information on the work the clock requires. The work will cost in the region of £2,000 including the cost of scaffolding. Concillor Williams	

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	also stated that financial assistance was available through the War Memorial Fund and that there was a need to register the clock. He had also been in touch with Ann Thomas of Cadw in regard to a new financial aid package. Councillor Williams will also be contacting Rowena Mair the Conservation Officer of Gwynedd Council. Councillor Williams will inform the Council when he has further information.	DW
9.0	PLANNING APPLICATIONS	
9.1	C14/0211/20/LL – Change of use from existing office to hairdresser (A1) – Hen Ysgol Aberpwll Y Felinheli LL56 4JS – NO OBJECTION	
9.2	C13/1295/20/HY – Part retrospective application to retain existing advertisement together with the proposed erection of roof structure above advertisement – Land by entrance to Port Dinorwic Marina Y Felinheli. – OBJECTION TO REMAIN. The Clerk to forward a statement to state this.	CLERK
10.0	CEMETERY SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT	
	The Chairman stated that the grass had received its first cut and that it was ok for Palm Sunday. The Bench in memory of Pat White requires to be stabilised then a plaque can be placed upon it. Councillor Ken Brown will get the measurement for the plaque. The spare soil is causing some problems in that people are beginning to dump old flowers and bottles on it. Members of the Council will arrange for the soil to be relocated.	KB
11/0	CAR PARK, LON LAS, AND MORIAH SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT	
	A short report was given on the Car Park by the Chairman and that the bollard will be receiving attention after a site visit is held by himself and Councillor Daniel Williams.	DW, KB
12.0	PUBLIC FOOTPATHS, BUS SHELTERS, AND BENCHES SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT	
	Matters have been discussed previously.	
13.0	COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT	
	This matter has been discussed as the first item as the County Councillor required to leave for another meeting.	
14.0	COMMUNITY FLOOD PLAN	
	Councillor Daniel Williams stated that he had discussed the plan with business on Beach Road and that two were willing to help with the plan.	
15.0	ANY OTHER MATTER	
	None	
	The meeting came to an end at approximately 9:30 p.m.	
Signature:		Date:

ATODIAD A

Notice of Motion by Cllr Sian Gwenllian

NATIONAL GRID

Felinheli community council resolves to send a motion to the Unllais Annual Meeting with the following wording:

That One Voice condemns the National Grid's unfair consultation practice when 'consulting' on only one transmission option instead of conducting open and transparent consultations on all transmission options and providing the total costs for each option, direct and indirect.

Reason: max 150 words

With Wales, already a net exporter of energy, targeted for new-generation large-scale energy generation projects, transmission is becoming a strategic issue for Wales and One Voice members (in Gwynedd, Anglesey, Powys, Carmarthen to mention a few). As with our transport links, transmission routes are planned from the west to the populous areas in the east, predominantly over the border. Local consultation is obligatory for these planned developments but the National Grid is undermining communities' rights to fair consultations by providing only their preferred option for consultation, namely pylons, without including the options of subsea or underground cable in the consultation reply form. Furthermore semantics is used to mislead the public on the 'cost' since the indirect cost of pylons is significantly higher than say subsea cables when community impact of this visually intrusive transmission method is assessed, i.e. cost impact on tourism, agriculture, SMEs as well as valuable environmental assets.

Appendix B

Councillor Sian Gwenllian's Report April 2014

1) Fence around the play area at Beach Road. Work has progressed this week. Whilst agreeing with the need for a fence it is disappointing that the community council, local residents or I did not have a chance to discuss the type of fencing to be used. Gwynedd Council officers have apologised and agreed to discuss with us to see if there is any way that they can respond to the concern of local residents.

2) Lon Las Menai near Cerrig yr Afon: the news came that Cyngor Gwynedd has had to close the track whilst structural work is carried out to the bridge above.

3) Coastal Footpath through the marina and Vaynol: Gwynedd Council legal team has issued a notice to create a new footpath under the Highways Act at Glan y Mor Lodge. The purpose of this piece of path is to connect with others that are being created at Ffordd Heulyn and the Vaynol estate with the consent of owners. The legal process is on-going. The Community Council has objected to the planning application for a garage here in case it impedes the Coastal Path scheme.

4) The Planning Committee rejected the planning application for the conversion of the Half Way into 6 units (C14/0042/20/LL) because of insufficient evidence of marketing as a business for 12 months and that linguistic, community and affordable housing surveys had not been submitted. See www.gwynedd.gov.uk/planning.

5) Floods: I have met with Gwynedd Council engineers to discuss flood protection measures in the Beach Road area. The Community Council awaits to see the plans being proposed.

6) Welsh language Action Plan in Felin: a group of local people has been working with Hunaniaith (Cyngor Gwynedd Language Initiative) to create a plan following the 8% drop in the number of Welsh speakers in the village. The emphasis will be on promoting Welsh medium activities and a gig with Welsh bands is planned for the summer.

7) Retrospective planning permission was refused for the signs on land opposite Half Way. Planning Application C13/1295/20/HY. It's understood that an appeal has been lodged.

8) Stepiau Cei Foot path: Gwynedd Council has been monitoring the condition of the wall and the path is still closed but a decision is expected that could soon allow the path to be re-opened. It's understood that Gwynedd Council has presented letters to landowners involved in the land-slip/wall above H Hen Gei Llechi. The MP Hywel Williams, is still pushing for a resolution to the problems in this part of the village.

9) An application to convert offices into a restaurant and café at the Dock was unanimously passed by Gwynedd Planning Committee in March. It's understood that the intention is to open the café by Easter.

10) The village website www.felinheli.org continues to be popular with 49,832 hits being recorded in March. Please send your news and details of events to post@felinheli.org.

11) New signs have at long last been erected at Aberpwll. Remember that the restriction is now 40 mph max between the football field and bottom of Nant y Garth.

12) Some of you may have read that I will be standing down from Gwynedd's Cabinet from Mai 1st. But I will continue as local member for Y Felinheli. Please contact me if you want to discuss any matter relating to the village.

13) Bontnewydd/Caernarfon By-pass: The Welsh government has begun procurement of a contractor to build the £100m A487 Caernarfon to Bontnewydd bypass. EC Harris has been awarded the contract for employer's agent services and the procurement for a design and build contractor for the scheme. The tender notice has now been published for a main contractor.