

CYNGOR CYMUNED Y FELINHELI

Minutes of the virtual meeting held on the 12th December 2022 at 7 p.m.		
PRESENT		
Eifion Williams		
Iwan Huws	Emyr Gareth	
Meleri Jones	Dafydd Huws	
Eleri Wyn Thomas	Nel Huws	
Daniel Llywelyn Williams		
1.0	CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS AND APOLOGIES	
	The meeting was officially opened by the Chairman Iwan Huws. He thanked Councillor Eifion Williams for his chairing duties last months. He expressed the Council's sympathies to Councillor Dafydd Hughes following his bereavement of losing his mother so soon after his father. Apologies were accepted from Councillors LIŷr Evans and Elenid Glyn.	CLERK
1.1	No public participation.	CLERK
1.2	Council Tax: Consultations on draft Regulations to extend exceptions to second home premiums and on Guidance – no comments	CLERK
1.3	Derelict Boats Survey – Felinheli has no derelict boats.	CLERK
1.4	The Future of Welsh Communities: call for evidence. The Council agreed that they will leave the comments to One Voice Wales.	CLERK
2.0	DECLARATION OF INTEREST	
	None	
3.0	CONFIRMATION OF LAST MONTHS EXPENDITURE AND FINANCIAL REPORT	
3.1	The expenditure and financial report for November 2022 was presented by the Clerk and accepted as correct.	CLERK
3.2	The draft budget for 2023-2024 was presented to the council and it was evident that there was no need to increase the precept for the 2023-2023 financial year. This will be confirmed at the meeting in January 2023 when consideration for any projects as the Playing Field project will have been completed.	
3.3	Grass Cutting Contract – it is usual for a three year contract for grass cutting in the cemetery and public footpaths to be advertised every three years. This year this will be required again. The Clerk stated that getting contractors to tender has been difficult throughout her employment with the Council. Only one contractor has been successful; also the cost of the cuts were reasonable in comparison with the payments made by other Community Councils. It was decided that it would be better to ask for an annual agreement with the present contractor. In order to change the administration of the grass cutting arrangement a proposal was made by Councilor Eifion Williams and seconded by Councillor Eleri Wyn Thomas. The Council agreed. The Clerk to discuss with the Contractor.	CLERC
3.4	Financial Assistance to be advertised – closing date 7 th February 2023. The Clerk to arrange the advert.	CLERK

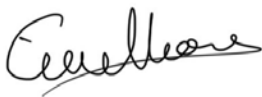
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4.0	CONFIRMATION OF LAST MONTHS MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING	
4.1	The minutes for November 2022 were accepted with minor adjustments as correct.	CLERK
4.2	Beach Road Playing Field – see Item 7.1	CLERK
4.3	Wi-Fi – it is understood that Menter Môn can give assistance in providing a community WiFi. The Clerk to make enquiries.	CLERK
4.4	Bwyd Bendigedig – the picnic table within the Beach Road Playing Field. This matter is to be co-ordinated between Gwynedd Council, tBwyd Bendigedig and the Community Council by Councillor Dan Williams.	CLERK DW
4.5	Brwydr Moel y Don Battle. – hopefully a QR code can be placed on the site to give information on the battle and maybe a project by the primary school can be placed on it as well. The school at present is busy working towards their Christmas concert. The Clerk to discuss the matter with the headmistress in the new year. Also the Clerk has been in contact with ex-councillor Casi Roberts to try and get hold of a photograph of the memorial plaque in the photograph archives of the Late Len Williams.	CLERK
4.6	Memorial Bench – the Clerk stated that there had been a change from planing a memorial tree in memory of a child. The family has asked for permission to install a memorial bench in the cemetery. No objection was raised but the Assets committee will need to decide on a location. The Committee to convene a meeting.	CLERK ASEDAU
4.7	Cemetery Fence – Councillor Eifion Williams stated that he has asked for a quotation for the work but has not received it as yet. The Councillor to make a request for the information.	EW
4.8	Cemetery Compost Bin – the Clerk stated that Bwyd Bendigedig would use the soil. When this has been done then the bin can be removed from the location.	CLERK
4.9	The bowing of the Maintaining wall on Caernarfon Road – this matter has been sent to Gwynedd Highways for attention. No response has been received to date.	CLERK
4.10	A report was provided that the directional sign for the cemetery has not been re-erected since the completion of the Plas Menai Roundabout. The Clerk to make a request to the Trunk Road for this to be re-erected.	CLERK
5.0	PLANNING APPLICATIONS	
5.1	Case No.: Y22/0890 Location: Lands by Y Wern, , Y Felinheli, , LL56 4TZ Details: Development of 57 affordable dwellings (50% social and 50% intermediate) in two phases and associated works. The Council is pleased that there is a scheme to develop social housing within the village. However, they wanted to note their concern regarding the effect that developing houses would have on the community such as the increase in	

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	<p>pupil numbers at the primary school and the increase in the village population for the surgery.</p> <p>There was also concern regarding the effect of the development on the water courses.</p>	
5.2	<p>Application No.: C22/1127/20/LL Location: Cyngor Gwynedd, Ysgol Y Felinheli Y Wern, Y Felinheli, Gwynedd, LL56 4TZ Proposal: Extensions and Alterations to existing Primary School.</p> <p>NO OBJECTION - the council does not object to the planning application but they would like to comment that an opportunity is being lost to make changes for accepting an increase in pupil numbers following the housing development to the rear of y Wern.</p>	
6.0	FINANCE, EMPLOYMENT, POLICIES AND WEBSITE	
6.1	Work on the website continues.	
6.2	<p>The clerk stated that there was a need to ensure that Biodiversity Section 6 policy needs to be done by the Council. Also there is a healthcheck template on financial arrangements and governance available for the Council by One Voice Wales. The template has been completed by the Clerk but there is a need for this committee to look at the document and to discuss it before reporting back to the council. There will be a need to arrange a meeting to ensure necessary adoption at the annual meeting. The Clerk to ensure that Councillor Cynog Prys is invited to future meetings.</p>	CLERC
7.0	ASEDAU	
7.1	<p>A verbal update report was received from Councillor Emyr Gareth. A site meeting has been ehld with Niel Pigdom of Sunshine as the representative of Kompan. He has forwarded a report stating the same minor defects as stated by RoSPA. The report need to be on business letter head. A request was also made for a quotation for correcting the minor faults – no quotation has been received to date. Hopefully when the resport has been received it can be forwarded to LPE for a response. This report will be needed if the Council considers it appropriate to seek compensations for the costs from LPE. Councillor Emyr Gareth work on getting the report. Gwynedd Council has not responded to the Council's request to remove the safety fence so that the playing field can be opened.</p>	
8.0	PUBLIC FOOTPATHS, LON LAS AND HIGHWAYS	
8.1	Councillor Emyr Gareth to work on the annual report.	EG
9.0	MEMORIAL HALL AND CLOCK	
9.1	<p>Memorial Hall – verbal report by Councillor Dan Williams User of the hall ar making good use it it. Work on the toilet has been completed. Work required on the Bangor side pillar, a date for the work is expected soon. Some work is required on the floor by the emergey fire exit near the access door to the balcony.</p>	DW

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	<p>There is a need to change the lighting to LED and a quotation is expected from Owen & Palmer.</p> <p>There is a need to jetwash the footpaths around the hall, hopefully a date can be arranged for this work to be carried out.</p> <p>The soundboards within the hall need to be built hopefully this work can be carried out soon with the help of the committee members.</p>	
9.2	<p>Clock – water is coming into the clock and onto the beams. It was decided that permission would be given to Councillor Dan Williams to contact Peter Wray the architect to make arrangements for a site visit so that advice can be sought on how to proceed. With the matter.</p>	
10.0	COMMUNITY FLOOD SCHEME	
10.1	<p>The gates have been used recently. There is minor works to be done to the gate due to a contractor closing the gate without lifting it up first. The way that information that there is a need to close the gates is working and the responsible team for ensuring the closure is operating well. There has been a change in the method statement by Gwynedd Council/ Gwynedd Council will be responsible for closing the gate on the road. This has been noted on the risk assessment as well. Annual training has been carried out by Gwynedd Council and Councillor Dan Williams will provide the training to the ones that were absent. There is a need to risk assess the locations within the village.</p>	DW
11.0	OTHER MATTERS	
11.1	<p>Arrange for Councilor Sasha Williams to get copies of the minutes for information only.</p>	
11.2	<p>Report has been received that the streetlighting by August Place has disappeared. The Clerk to contact Gwynedd Street Lighting.</p>	
	<p>The meeting came to an end at 21:30</p>	
<p>Signature:</p> 		<p>Date:</p>