

**CYNGOR CYMUNED Y FELINHELI**

<b>Minutes of the meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> of March 2023 at the Felinheli Shed at 7 p.m.</b>		
<b>PRESENT</b>		
Daniel Llywelyn Williams	Iwan Huws	
Meleri Jones	Emyr Gareth	
Eleri Wyn Thomas	Dafydd Huws	
Eifion Williams	Cynog Prys	
Councillor Sasha Williams		
<b>1.0</b>	<b>CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS AND APPOLOGIES</b>	
	The meeting was formally opened by the Chairman Iwan Huws and he welcomed Mari Tudur the Senior Housing Enabler and the Planning Officer for Adra. Apologies were received from Nel Huws, Llŷr Evans, and Elenid Glyn. The Chairman also welcomed Councillor Sasha Williams to the meeting.	
1.1	There was no public participation.	
1.2	<p>A presentation was provided by Mari Tudur a Senior Rural Housing enabler. She provided background information on the service. It is an independent service that investigates the housing needs in rural areas.</p> <p>The Social Housing Association Adra has commissioned the service to conduct research to ascertain what is the situation within Y Felinheli. Part of the research will be to arrange a survey within the village. This will be an opportunity to comment on any development. An open day has been arranged at the Memorial Hall between 4:30 and 6:30 on the 18<sup>th</sup> of April 2023. A letter will be delivered to the residents of Y Felinheli. Contact has been made with the primary school and a letter will be forwarded to the surgery.</p> <p>One of the developments is the erection of twenty-three units for rent on the land by Y Wern. The units will be offered to local people.</p> <p>A discussion was held regarding what is the definition of local people etc. Mari Tudur promised to forward the information regarding Gwynedd housing options, also to ascertain the definition of Local.</p> <p>The following was forwarded after the meeting:</p> <p><i>"Felinheli is recognised by the Joint Development Plan as a Coastal Village. Regarding a local link in relation to affordable housing, in the plan it is defined as "people in need of an affordable house and that have lived in the village or local rural area for approximately 5 years continuously or more. Either before applying or in the past."</i></p>	<b>CLERC</b>

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	The General policy for awarding houses by Gwynedd Council Housing Options in partnership with Adra, Grŵp Cynefin and North Wales Housing was forwarded.	
1.3	<p>Councillor Sasha Williams gave a presentation on introducing Youth Clubs into the area. She stated that two clubs have been introduced in Bethel and Deiniolen recently. Some money was received from PACT – project funding via North Wales Police. Before the clubs were introduced some work was carried out to see if there was a need for them. Some Pop-ups were arranged in some areas to consult with young people from year 6 and upwards.</p> <p>Following ascertaining that there was a need, a location for the club was recognised and then arranging an agreement with the Community Council and Gwynedd Council youth services. The Community Councils finance the youth clubs.</p> <p>The annual cost of running the club is approximately £5,500. This includes the rent for the location, youth leaders (Level 2), training for the leaders and the employment of the leaders approximately £20 - £30 each session for each leader, there is a need for two leaders for each session. An entrance fee of £1 is charged per session. This money is used for special events.</p> <p>A discussion was held regarding holding a youth club, how to finance it, as it had not been included in the budget for 2023 – 2024 etc. also, a short discussion was held regarding the research for evidence that it was required within the village.</p> <p>Further information as received following the meeting.</p> <p>The leader of the Youth support Service team at Gwynedd Council has agreed to carry out some Pop-ups and get the opinions of the local people of what they would like. The cost of these sessions will be borne by Gwynedd Council. There will be an opportunity at the Gŵyl y Felin to consult with the youngsters to see how they feel the about matter.</p>	
1.4	Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Report – the information was presented as information only.	
<b>2.0</b>	<b>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</b>	
	None	
<b>3.0</b>	<b>CONFIRMATION OF LAST MONTHS EXPENDITURE AND FINANCIAL REPORT</b>	
3.1	The expenses and financial report for February 2023 was provided by the Clerk and they were accepted.	<b>CLERK</b>
3.2	Information was received that the Women’s Football Club wanted to make an application for financial assistance to the Community Council, a letter was read out providing	

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	background information on the existence of the club, but no application was attached to the letter. Councillor Eifion Williams is to ask them to forward an application with information of what the money is required for.	
<b>4.0</b>	<b>CONFIRMATION OF LAST MONTHS MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING</b>	
4.1	Minutes for February 2023 were confirmed.	<b>CLERK</b>
	Wi-Fi – no response has been received from Menter Mon. the Clerk and Councillor Iwan Huws will try and contact them again.	
4.3	Cemetery matters: See the minutes of the committee meeting under the Assets heading.	
4.4	Bowing within the wall on Caernarfon Road – response received from Gwynedd Council stating that there was no need for any emergency work and that the matter would be monitored.	<b>CLERK ASSETS</b>
4.5	Footpath 17 – no more information received following the site visit. Cerrig yr Afon footpath – still awaiting a quotation for the work to repair the fence.	<b>CLERK</b>
4.6	Defibrillator Census – information was received that there is no formal arrangement in place for the maintenance of the equipment. It is believed that the Football Club checks the equipment and that the school does the same, Councillor Iwan Huws to make enquiries with the headmistress about this. The Sailing Club looks after the one at the club and the Community Council looks after the ones on the Memorial Hall and Toilets.	<b>CLERK ASEDAU</b>
4.7	Highway Signs – confirmation received from Gwynedd Council that the street lighting column opposite the junction to the toilets is appropriate for the sign, the Clerk to arrange with Gwynedd for the work to be carried out.	<b>EW</b>
4.8	Memorial Broadband – Councillor Meleri Jones made enquiries with BT unfortunately as the name on the account was the old Clerk the enquiry could not move forward; the present clerk took on the matter. The name of the responsible person on the account could not be changed. The postcode for the memorial hall is also incorrect and this confused the matter further. Finally, we have been able to receive a better agreement and price for the broadband.	
<b>5.0</b>	<b>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</b>	
<b>6.0</b>	<b>FINANCE, EMPLOYMENT, POLICIES AND WEBSITE</b>	
6.1	The website continuous to be updated.	
<b>7.0</b>	<b>ASSETS</b>	
	Following the meeting at the cemetery on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> of March 2023 the following matters were discussed:  Location of a new bench – no objections for a new bench to be installed on the piece of land to the corner of the cemetery where a bench already exists. It was stipulated	

that the bench required to be of the same model and colour. The family would be responsible for its upkeep although the bench would be the property of the Community Council due to the public liability insurance. This information is to be recommended to the Council at its next meeting.

It was foreseen that there is room for another two benches at present at the cemetery, one on the site of the old compost bin and the other on the crossroads where the cemetery paths cross. There is a need for one bench to be maintained at the bottom of the footpath. This information is to be recommended to the council at its next meeting.

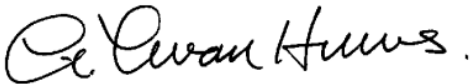
It is foreseen that there is room for approximately two years of burials before the right-hand side needs to be considered for use. There is approximately room for 13 cremation burials at the start of the cemetery and it is foreseen that there is room for such burials along the wall separating the church and community cemeteries. There will be a need to research the depth at this area. The information to be given as recommendation at the next council meeting.

As it is estimated that there is only two years left for burials on the left-hand side before the right-hand side needed to be used it was recommended that the Council did not repair the fence; it did not make any economic sense to do so as the income for grazing would only be £6 compared to the hundreds required for the repair. The land to be offered for free grazing for the period but he would need to do the repairs himself. The Clerk to inform the Shepherd.

The fees for the cemetery were also discussed. They were last amended in 2019. It was decided that the following be recommended to the Council at its next meeting.

<b>2019 Fees</b>	<b>2023 Fees</b>
Plot and Burial Residents - £250 Others £500	Plot and Burial Local Residents - £300 Others £550
Reopening of grave Local Residents - £100 Others - £200	Reopening of Grave Local Residents - £150 Others- £250
Cremation plot and burial Local Resident - £450 Others - £400	Cremation plot and burial Local Resident - £200 Others - £450
Reopening of cremation plot Local Residents- £55	Reopening of cremation plot Local Resident - £100

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	Others - £150	Others - £200	
	Right to erect a headstone Local Residents - £100 Others- £150	Right to erect a headstone Local Residents - £150 Others- £150	
	Research fee - £30	Research fee - £75	
<b>8.0</b>	<b>PUBLIC FOOTPATHS, LÔN LAS, AND HIGHWAYS</b>		
8.1	See 4.5		<b>CLERK</b>
<b>9.0</b>	<b>MEMORIAL HALL AND CLOCK</b>		
9.1	<p>A meeting with Michael Hughes next week to see what is required for the erection of the pillar on the Bangor side. There is also some need for some maintenance on the floor in front of the fire door on the Bangor side. Hopefully the work will start on the 21<sup>st</sup> of March 2023.</p> <p>New lighting units for the hall – the electrician is looking into the work.</p> <p>There is also a need to investigate the basement so that the area can be used – maybe for the youth club – it may be that some external plastering will be needed so that the walls can breathe and to stop any dampness. Councillor Dan Williams to make enquiries with the architect.</p> <p>There will also be a need for the toilets to be relocated.</p>		<b>DW</b>  <b>MJ</b>
9.2	Clock – arrangement for a site meeting with the architect is yet to be made.		
<b>10.0</b>	<b>COMMUNITY FLOOD PLAN</b>		
10.1	There is a need to complete the risk assessments for the closing of the gates.		<b>DW</b>
	The meeting ended at 21:58		
<b>Signature:</b> 			<b>Date:</b> <b>11/4/2023</b>