

# Minutes of Pentir Community Council

Virtual Meeting of the Full Council Thursday Evening 10th December 2020

1. Present: Councillors  
D. Jones-Morris; L A James; B.Jones; J. Griffiths; E. Jones; M. Baines; J. Pierce; D. W. Jones; J Lewis and the Clerk E Jones
2. Apologies:  
Councillors H Griffiths; T A Williams; M. Lynch;  
The meeting was chaired by Cllr D W Jones who also offered a prayer before welcoming all present.
3. Declaration of interest  
It was explained that should anyone need to declare an interest it would have to be done orally so that the Clerk could record it and the Councillor must then send in a signed form  
No interests were declared
4. To receive the minutes of 12th November 2020 –  
The minutes were received as an accurate record *except that it was the National Trust in discussions regarding Glan Menai Footpath, rather than Natural Resources Wales*  
Cllr L A James proposed and Cllr D Jones-Morris seconded
5. Matters arising from the minutes
  - a. Glan Menai Footpath – Signs still up and causing problems for walkers, but the matter was still being discussed between the Trust and Landowners
  - b. New Logo – The Clerk has sent an e-mail to the address he was given for Dafydd Huws, Y Shed, but no reply has been received. The Clerk has not contacted the Rhos-On-Sea based company as the Council wished to keep the work local if possible. It was noted that a woman from Felinheli with a gallery in the village could also do the work. Cllr L A James to contact and/or give the Clerk her contact number
  - c. Glasinfryn Septic Tank – The Clerk has met on site with a local Architect who suggested we ask an expert on this kind of work, Mr William Font. Mr Font had retired but does undertake part-time work of this kind.  
The Clerk has been in contact but has heard nothing back so far
6. Financial Matters
  - a. **A draft copy of the Finance Sub-committee (FSC) minutes has been sent to everyone together with spreadsheets showing the Council's financial requirements in 2021-22. The FSC had discussed the spreadsheets in detail and recommended to the Full Council that the Precept would need to be raised to £55k in 2021-22. This was the first Precept rise since 2018. The recommendation was unanimously accepted**
  - b. Canolfan Glasinfryn – Solicitors had received the title of the Ganolfan and noted that it was in the name of 2 trustees. **Recommend that we change that to the name of Pentir Community Council.**  
The track leading to the Car Park is not part of the title and therefore not the responsibility of the Council, even though a right of way exists over it.  
The field where the septic tank is located is in another person's name but no one knows the whereabouts of that person now.  
A need to set down a maximum amount of money to investigate the person's whereabouts.  
A sum of no more than £2k was agreed.  
The clerk to contact the solicitors to confirm
  - c. New Ganolfan Visits had taken place and whilst good progress had been made, there were concerns regarding a lack of communication. Concern was expressed regarding some aspects of the electrical equipment that was being fitted, and the fabrication of the floors in the new hall. As we are anxious to get everything we as a

Council need, and for the sake of the users, this extra work/equipment would need to be paid for.

- d. External Auditors Nothing further to report

7. Clerk's Matters

- a. Post-16 Education Following an e-mail from the Modernising Education department at Gwynedd Council, the Clerk had passed it on for the Councillors' attention. The form was discussed and it was agreed to ask the Clerk to contact the department to declare this Council's support for retaining Post-16 Education in our secondary schools.
- b. Defibs Locations had been identified and the Clerk had arranged a site visit with officials from the Highways Electrics department at Gwynedd Council, and they had arranged to send a quote.
- c. Registration of the Glasinfryn Septic Tank The Clerk had registered Canolfan Glasinfryn's tank with Natural Resources Wales but our solicitors reported that there was a strong possibility that body would not ratify the registration, as residue runs into a river.

**Steps have been taken in an attempt to overcome the above issue (FSC Minutes) above**

- d. Canolfan Glasinfryn **Again, FSC minutes outline the steps recommended by our solicitors.** Once we have agreed on our way forward, we will need to contact the owners of the Old Church to explain that the septic tank will not be operational.
- e. Visits to the new Ganolfan and discussions Visits have been as noted above regarding the kitchen appliances, flooring material in the Hall and the committee room, and who would have control of the footpath towards the Ganolfan from the main road.

A meeting had also been arranged with Geraint Owen, Senior Project Manager, who confirmed that nothing had changed from the original plans and the Ganolfan would be available to Pentir Council in a year's time.

**It was confirmed that the Church in Wales was taking part in discussions regarding Ysgol y Faenol, however there was a 99-year lease between Gwynedd Council and Pentir Council, which would be our New Lease**

8. Councillors' Matters

- a. Cllr M Baines

- Coed y Maes Fence

It was reported that the residents of Coed y Maes were eager to express their thanks for Pentir Council's perseverance in this matter

- Goetre Uchaf Estate – Redrow

Work to upgrade the condition of the roads had now commenced.

- b. Cllr J Griffiths

- Lôn Glasinfryn The matter of the road condition in the 'old' part of the village was raised once again, especially as notice has been received that Lôn Ty'n Llwyn would be resurfaced in 2021.

It was emphasised that the intention was not to downgrade the work on that road, but that a promise had been made to the residents several years ago and the work had still not been carried out.

**The Clerk and the Local Member to contact the Highways department**

The meeting concluded at 9.10