Pentir Community Council

A meeting of the Full Council will be held following the Annual Meeting on Thursday Evening 16th July 2020 **Agenda**

- 1. Present:
- 2. Apologies:
- 3. The process of co-opting for the Glasinfryn ward following the resignation of Councillor Cynrig E Hughes
- 4. To receive the minutes of 12th March 2020
- 5. Matters arising from the minutes
- 6. To receive the Environmental Policy 2019-20
- 7. To approve the Code of Conduct
- 8. Clerk's Matters To report back on developments from March to July (over the lockdown period)
- 9. Councillors' Matters

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Minutes of the full Council meeting held on Thursday Evening 12th March 2020 At Glasinfryn Community Centre at 7.00pm

Present:

Cllrs D Jones-Morris, D W Jones, Eleri Jones, B Jones, M Baines, and J Pierce Elwyn Jones (Clerk)

Apologies:

Cllr J. Griffiths, M Lynch, H Griffiths, L.A. James and T Anwyl-Williams

Election of Chairman for the meeting

Cllr M Baines was elected to chair the meeting this evening The prayer was offered by Cllr D W Jones

Code of Conduct

Everyone was reminded of our code of conduct and the need to declare an interest on the appropriate form if necessary.

To receive minutes of 13th February 2020

The minutes were received as a correct record, as proposed by Cllr B Jones and seconded by Cllr E Jones

Matters arising from the minutes

Coed y Maes Wall Gwynedd Council has confirmed that they will install a fence on the gap. Concern was expressed regarding the fact that although we tried hard to get the wall reinstated, the residents had agreed with Gwynedd officers regarding the type of fence that would be installed. It will therefore be a matter solely between the residents and Gwynedd to resolve any problem arising following installation of the fence.

Financial Report 26th February

VAT payment not due to us has now been paid back in full to HMRC

• Funding Applications

Three (3) applications were received for consideration Recommended that all 3 be supported by contributing ± 300 to each of them

The recommendation was approved

It was discussed that a local meeting to raise funds for the 2021 Boduan Eisteddfod had attempted to establish a joint Group between the Bangor City Area and the Pentir Community Council Area, naming it the Bangor City and District Appeal.

Whilst there was support in principle, it was important that the word Pentir should appear in the title rather than District.

Whilst recognising that the time was very short before the end of the 2019-20 financial year, Cllr M Baines to report this back to the group and try to get the group to submit a bid for support. The Council would consider applications from the local group

- The financial balance sheet was distributed showing £28,000.86 in the current account and £15,014.84 in the deposit account
- It was noted that there was in fact almost £5K less in the current account as cheques had not been submitted.

Whilst the Council had a Language Scheme rather than a Language Policy, the Clerk was asked to inquire of One Voice which one Community Councils were expected to have.

The Finance Sub-committee spent some time being led by Cllr L A James through the Risk Assessment Register.

It was agreed that time needed to be set aside at the March FSC to review and update our procedures

Planning Applications None received

Canolfan Penrhosgarnedd

Gwynedd Council had been asking for a contact to the Centre's committee regarding arranging and assuring safety as the Ysgol y Faenol project develops. Cllr M Baines as Chair would be able to liaise with the caretakers and/or Treasurer

Ysgol y Faenol Nothing to add

Clerk's Matters

Report

• Ysbyty Gwynedd Noticeboards Still not installed

Councillors' Matters

Cllr D Jones-Morris Penrhos Road Developments It was inquired what was happening regarding this busy road as he was now concerned that Gwynedd Council was dragging its feet with several projects in which it was involved. E.g. Crossings on the road - Hole in the Wall to name but two. Cllr M Baines had been in discussions and was going to ask whether it was possible to have a Site meeting with Gwynedd Officers. Cllr D Jones-Morris more than happy to attend the meeting to support her

Cllr M Baines to arrange

Cllr J Griffiths Condition of Lon Glasinfryn compared to cycle routes. In his absence the Clerk reported that he had received an email from Cllr J Griffiths inquiring how it was that Gwynedd Council was spending so much on cycle routes and the condition of Lon Glasinfryn was so terribly poor.

It was reported that while Gwynedd Council was carrying out the construction of cycle routes, it was European money that was actually paying and that the money could not be spent on anything other than the cycle routes.

Clerk to inquire again about Lon Glasinfryn

Cllr M Baines Request to consider merging the Pentir and Bangor City area for fundraising purposes for the 2021 Boduan Eisteddfod. See note on this under Finance Sub-committee

Planning application Coed Wern (the timber cabins) - C18/0767/25/LLCllr M Baines gave an update that this application had not been before a Planning committee as there had now been a reduction in the number of cabins proposed to be erected there.

The development was in the Llandygai Community Council area and as a result we as a Council were unlikely to be invited to express an opinion despite how greatly it would influence the residents of Pentir Community Council

PLEASE NOTE

Due to the outlook in relation to the Coronavirus crisis and the possibility that it would not be possible to hold public meetings, ClIr D W Jones proposed that the Council should allow the Clerk to deal with the Council's payments and matters as required. The proposal was seconded by ClIr D Jones Morris. The proposal was accepted unanimously

Clerk to keep in contact electronically to update members

The meeting concluded at 8.50

Clerk's Report

Over the challenging period from March until now as far as the Council's work is concerned, it has been quite a quiet time.

The accounts were completed fairly quickly but the biggest problem was getting them back from Caernarfon as the accountants were working from home and only in the office perhaps half a day a week.

The Internal Auditors' (Gwynedd Council) checklist reached me, requesting our environmental policy which was due to be sent to the Welsh Government by the end of the Year.

Our former Chairman had promised to get something together for us to discuss, amend if necessary and adopt. The Chair resigned and as a result of the re-organisation no work had been done on the policy. By the beginning of the lockdown period, a start had been made and a draft has now been circulated to you for adoption tonight

Similarly, our Code of Conduct needs to be approved

Everything is now in place to send to Gwynedd Council to be audited and once this has happened, we can send them to the External Auditors BDO

Finance

Whilst payments need to be made, we have arranged this by getting Cllr L A James and myself to sign them.

The Clerk's salary has been paid through Bank Transfer every month so I don't need to sign a cheque to myself.

Last year's VAT has been paid in

Need to transfer money to Deposit Account?

The Cemetery

Surprisingly no funeral has taken place since the beginning of March

The grass is being cut regularly in the cemetery

Grass

Because of the dry weather in March and April and Covid 19, no wildflower seeds have been sown Flower boxes??

Insurance

Our final year with BHIB – although the Defibs are extra there is no increase in the cost because they come under Street Furniture