

Minutes of Pentir Community Council

Virtual Meeting of the Finance Sub-committee
at 6.30pm on Wednesday evening, 27th October 2021

1. Present Cllr L A James – Chair, Cllr B Jones, Cllr D Jones-Morris and Cllr D W Jones with Cllr J Lewis Cllr E Jones; and Cllr M Baines present for the first part of the meeting to discuss Lle Ni 2035 with Mr D E Jones Bangor/Ogwen Area Regeneration Officer Clerk E Jones
2. Apologies Cllr M Lynch; Cllr J Pierce and Cllr J Griffiths
3. Discussion with Gwynedd Regeneration Officer, Consultation on the Regeneration Framework Lle ni 2035 and the options for taking responsibility for Gwynedd Council playing fields
Regeneration Framework consultation
DEJ outlined the background to the consultation along with a definition of the ‘Area’ such as the City of Bangor, Pentir Ward and Felinheli Ward. He explained that there would be 3 stages to the process and this step was only part 1 to find out the views of the communities before moving to Part 2 which would identify schemes and look at ways to fund them and then act on those schemes
 - There has been considerable discussion on ways to improve the image of the area in general especially Bangor High Street
 - To look at whether empty buildings/houses could be adapted rather than building on the edges on greenfield sites
 - A need to establish a central health centre and better support Ysbyty Gwynedd
 - A need to attract Work to the area. – Parc Bryn Cegin undeveloped and many vacant spaces on Parc Menai and Llandegai Industrial Estate
 - Transport problems are a major problem especially on Penrhos Road
 - with parking problems as a result.
 - Lack of suitable places to cycle and walk and a need for them

It appeared that there were more concerns than support but the ‘Welsh language’ element in the Pentir/Penrhos area was praised and the desire for that to continue despite threats from the ‘Buy to let’ aspect of housing

Options for taking responsibility for Gwynedd Council’s playing fields

A letter had been received before the Pandemic inviting Community Councils to assume responsibility for playing fields which at that time were managed by Gwynedd Council. Whilst Pentir Council had expressed support, in principle, for the idea, there had been very little development since then.

DEJ suggested that we contact Llion Foulkes at Gwynedd Council again via e-mail to inquire about options for consideration and to copy him into the e-mail

Mr D E Jones and Cllrs E Jones J Lewis and M Baines left the meeting at 7.30

4. Code of Conduct
Everyone was reminded of the Code of conduct

Cllr L A James is a member of the Canolfan Penrhos committee
5. Minutes of the Last Meeting 29-09-2021
Cllr D Jones Morris proposed and Cllr D W Jones seconded that they were a true record
6. Matters arising from the minutes
None that were not included on the Agenda
7. Financial Report
The financial balance sheet was shared electronically showing £49,909.43 in the current account and £35,039.39 in the deposit account after receipt of £0.88 in interest. The accounts were received
8. External Audit
Final report had still not arrived but an advert had been placed on our website explaining that
9. Disbursements requiring attention
Recommended that the Full Council approves payment of all that had been submitted and acknowledges a payment of £200.00 for a funeral

10. Funding Applications No new applications but the current Llais Ogwan balance sheet had been received today

11. Projects

- Ysgol Y Faenol Project Site meeting had still not taken place **Clerk to persevere to organise**
- New Logo No update
- Glasinfryn Septic Tank Welsh Water has arranged an inspection of the system on 19/10/21 but no further details save for a calling card
- Damaged gravestones It was reported that two gravestones had been damaged during recent months and that another gravestone had also been damaged when the paths were being tarmacked (not by those contractors)

It is difficult to identify exactly who is responsible for the damage but the likelihood is that they were accidentally broken but that no one acknowledged the damage

Clerk to send a letter to all undertakers that they should warn gravediggers that we will be looking in more detail from now on

Clerk to also check renewal prices to see whether Insurance compensation needs to be claimed

12. Also for discussion

- Risk Assessment Nothing to report back but to remind **Full Council members that some had promised to look at ways of reducing identified risks and look at our policies**
- Business Plan Due to the group's failure to meet during October it was agreed to re-arrange for **Wednesday Evening 01-12-21 at the Penrhos community centre.**