Pentir Community Council



Minutes of the Full Council on Thursday 9th February 2023 held in Penrhosgarnedd Community Centre at 7.00pm

1. **Present:** Cllr M Lynch - Chair. Cllr L A James; Cllr J Lewis, Cllr B Jones, Cllr M Baines, Cllr I Ellis, Cllr A Joyce; Cllr C W Owen,

Howard Huws (Translator) and the Clerk E Jones

2. Apologies Cllr D Jones-Morris; Cllr J Pierce, Cllr D W Jones; and Cllr Dafydd Meurig

The chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and in particular Howard Huws who was deputising for Sioned E Jones in providing simultaneous translation

- 3. Declaration of interest Councillors L A James, A Joyce and M Baines declared an interest on 8 as they are members of the Management Committee of the present Ganolfan
- 4. Receive the Minutes of 14th January
 Cllr L A James proposed that the minutes were correct and was seconded by Cllr C W Owen
- 5. Matters arising

The Defibrillator at Treborth has been returned after receiving a note to say that someone has been to get it. Councillors were reminded that their self-assessment forms needed to be returned so that the Training Scheme could be prepared

Management of the New Ganolfan

Due to the difficulties of moving to the New Ganolfan the condition of the existing Ganolfan has deteriorated significantly and is now in urgent need of attention. Electrical equipment requiring Pat Testing etc.

The Ganolfan's Annual Meeting had still not been arranged to discuss the way forward and it was almost the end of another financial year

Pressure must now be brought to bear to get this to happen

Agreed that this matter should continue to be included as part of the monthly agenda Lodge Path – no response received to confirm one way or the other Historic Panel Cllr J L to make enquiries through Parchu Pentir regarding location and costs

6. Financial matters

The minutes of the Finance Sub-Committee on 25th January together with a financial balance sheet had been distributed, showing expenditure and receipts. It was noted that there was £38,712.72 in the current account at the end of January and £45,125.79 in the Deposit Account following receipt of interest Dec-£61.42

External Audit

No update from the Wales Audit Office regarding a final report for 2021-22

7. Planning Applications

'The applications before the Council happened to be on our boundary but outside our boundary. It was discussed that Coed y Wern Glasinfryn development would have an impact on Glasinfryn itself due to overdevelopment and we were therefore still opposed to it.

No objection to the Harveys application but it was noted that the addition of lighting would be detrimental to the environment as there may be an increase in vehicles

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8. Clerk's Matters

• Advertisement of Vacant Seat / Co-option

In accordance with what was discussed a month ago, the Clerk had made enquiries with the Gwynedd Council election office to ascertain what the division of Councillors was at present. The office only notes the candidates' ward at election time and it is then up to the Community Council to try to fill the vacancies as best they can.

At the time of the election there were 6 candidates for Faenol Ward and 3 for Glasinfryn ward In June 3 names came forward for co-option to Pentir Council (vacancies in the 2 wards) and the 3 that happened to be living on the Faenol ward were co-opted but not to any particular ward. The correct division of Pentir Community Council in terms of wards is 8 Councillors for the Faenol Ward and 4 for Glasinfryn Ward.

As a result the vacant Seat will be advertised as a seat for Glasinfryn Ward.

We will follow the appropriate procedure of advertising the seat publicly for 14 days. If a written application is made to the Gwynedd Returning Officer by 10 ward electors for an election, then an election must be held.

Following the 14 days the Council is then entitled to co-opt and to invite names to be put forward for a further 14 days before making an appointment

• Meeting of Canolfan Glasinfryn Committee on Monday Evening 16-01-23 at 7.00pm. The Clerk reported that he had attended and that support was very weak for the committee amongst the residents and that it would be very beneficial for the Ganolfan if a Community Councillor could be drawn from among the residents of the community so that the councillor could attend the Ganolfan meetings

- New Ganolfan
 - Any update

Still no agreement reached between the Church and Gwynedd Council regarding the new Ganolfan A meeting had passed a motion to increase the capacity of the School to 315 although the number was unlikely to be that now, or in September.

Despite this, there was strong opposition to the fact that School staff now parked on our Ganolfan's car park and that this caused huge problems for users of the Ganolfan and that it was difficult to market our resource due to the lack of spaces to park.

The Clerk had contacted our solicitors who in turn had sent an e-mail regarding the use of the car park to the Officers of Gwynedd Council.

No response received

- Management See matters arising
- Caerhun Playing Field

G L Jones of Bethesda had contacted to accept the work but they would not be in a position to start the work until May this year

Cemetery Chapel

Mr G Hughes of Hughes & Hughes has commenced the removal of the seats and has now discovered that there was a void below the wooden floor.

An empty space that will need to be closed at some point and possibly the whole floor either side of the central aisle

To ask Mr Hughes for an estimate for that and an estimated cost for painting the ceiling whilst the scaffolding is there

Electrical

The work of installing of 2 new heaters and a normal switch for them has been done

 As the Chapel's lights hang from the ceiling they will need to be removed and reinstalled – preferably lower down than the existing lamps so that they can be reached without the need for scaffolding

To ask the electrician for an estimate and price of LED lamps that will be cheaper to run

Bus Shelters

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- Quote Now 2 quotes have been received
- Resolved

The Clerk to consult Gwynedd Council to arrange a site meeting Also a letter has been prepared to consult with nearby residents

- Training Scheme
 - o Councillors' Learning Scheme Forms

Some Councillors have returned their assessment forms, they have been re-sent to those who have not done so inviting them to send to the Clerk electronically or in writing

Section 6 Biodiversity Report

E-mail has been shared that a review is needed of the report we prepared on Section 6 and that it was due to have been completed since December

Lighting on Ffordd Menai/Allt Dywyll

The Clerk had checked with the electricity department of Gwynedd whether there had been any development since the transport department had made an enquiry and was offered a meeting with the Finance Sub-Committee to discuss the installation of street lamps on Ffordd Menai. Electrical Department has heard nothing

Clerk to contact the Traffic Department again

- 9. Councillors' Matters
 - a. Cllr A Joyce -

Add dog fouling bins - Is it possible to ask about additional dog fouling bins between Capel Graig and the Bridge over the A55 as dog walkers collect the mess and then throw it into the hedges Clerk to make inquiries

Building without consent The Councillor reported that unauthorised building work was being carried out at Ffordd Ty'n Clwt and that he had already contacted the planning department regarding the matter but had not received a reply

Clerk to make further inquiries

The Council's Website It was reported that the Website needed attention because the news on it was out of date

b. Cllr M Baines

The Council's Website She reported that she had received a complaint from a member of the community who was a former councillor reporting that the Website needs to be refreshed with old News removed

Notice boards The same person had referred to little use being made of the notice boards It was noted that individuals had keys to the Notice Boards to be able to make community use of them as long as they are then removed after the event. It was noted that some notice boards were getting good and regular community use.

The meeting concluded at 9.15