

EGLWYS BACH COMMUNITY COUNCIL - MINUTES OF MEETING 02/02/2015

PRESENT: *Councillors: Arthur Williams, Ceri Leeder, Katherine Himsworth, Wendy Martin, Richard Newsham, Austin Roberts, Dawn Williams, Gwyn Williams, John Lloyd Williams, Mike Rayner.*

1. **WELCOME:** *The Chair, Arthur Williams, welcomed all to the meeting.*

2. **APOLOGIES:** *None.*

3. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST:** *None.*

4. **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:** *minutes of meeting 05/01/15 were found to be correct and signed.*

5. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

Public Footpaths - Cllr. Ceri Leeder had obtained the maps from Ms Rebecca Jackson and noted that Mrs Jutta Lorenz-Kubis, a keen walker, is eager to report back to the Council on state of the footpaths. The maps are in her keeping and it was noted that some of the footpaths are incorrect on the map, to be drawn to the attention of the County. Cllr. Mike Rayner agreed to enquire who the County Footpath Officer is and inform the Clerk in order for her to try and obtain another copy of the map.

Cllr. Dawn Williams joined the meeting.

Telephone lines along Bryn Hir Path – confirmation from Openreach that the work will be completed by end of the month.

Community Council Logo - design no. 1 was agreed on and Cllr. Ceri Leeder agreed to forward onto the Clerk.

Vacant seat on Council - an e-mail was read from Ms. Rebecca Jackson and the Clerk noted that she had sent a word of thanks to her. Confirmation was received from County to co-opt a new member. Clerk to advertise, closing date 27/02/15.

Plant a Tree to celebrate 100 years of the W.I. - response was received from County Tree Officer (Mr Matt Bardsley) noting that a medium size tree would be appropriate bearing in mind the cables above and below ground. Cllr. Ceri Leeder agreed to choose a tree joint with Mrs Eirwen Kenrick in accordance with the County's suggestions. Cllr. Arthur Williams offered to provide a small fence around the tree.

Road through Pennant - confirmation was received from County that the owner had no intension to mislead or prevent walkers/horse riders from using the road, and had agreed to place a way marker at the entrance.

6. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS:** *None.*

County's Decisions on Planning Applications: None.

7. **SPECIFIC MATTERS TO DECIDE:**

*Payments - Mrs Sue Hayward, Cleaning of Public Toilets - £98.00
Mrs Einir Jones – Clerk's wages and costs for January - £144.99
H.M. Revenue & Customs (Tax on Clerk's wages for January) - £30.00
Aberconwy Village Hall - £11.00.*

8. **CORRESPONDENCE:** *the following was received:*

- Re-imbusement for Cleaning of Public Toilets - £1,396.50 [CCBC];*
- Important Changes to Applications for Social Housing [CCBC].*

9. **ANY OTHER MATTER:**

Town & Community Council Forum Meeting - Cllr. Katherine Himsworth attended with main issues as follows:

- Merge of Councils Conwy and Denbighshire - will not take place;
- Budget - a 5% increase on Council
- Affordable Housing - ideally, any new housing in a village the size of Eglwys Bach should be "affordable", but there might need to be some flexibility on this Planning Bill - implications for T&Community Councils. Developments (i.e. housing) to be discussed with the Councils prior to submission of planning application. Workshops will be held to discuss implications.

Cllr. Katherine Himsworth was thanked for attending the Forum.

Village Shop - concerns were raised locally regarding the future of the Shop and Post Office, as the owner wishes to sell. Cllr. Mike Rayner agreed to contact the owner to share these concerns and to seek her concerns regarding flooding.

Tŷ Llundain scaffolding - complaints had been received in respect of health and safety. County to investigate further.

Village Water Pump - suitable locations were discussed, but it was agreed to seek suggestions from local residents once again.

Ward Audit - Cllr. Mike Rayner noted that an audit had been conducted with Mr John Edwards with a number of roads/environment issues being raised for the County's attention.

Road Matters - Ffordd Llyn Syberï – holes still unfilled and road in need of cleaning;
Ffordd Penrhyd - ditches need cleaning from bottom of Ffordd Llyn Syberï towards Tŷ Gwyn;
Ffordd Bryn y Frân - new fence required by the steep drop before reaching Cefn Gwyn.

Cllr. Mike Rayner noted that Mr John Edwards is moving to work to another area. It was agreed to send a word of thanks for his work locally, he will be missed.

Kids Club - Cllr. Wendy Martin to meet an Officer from Menter Iaith after half term to discuss further.

Rural Fit Club - Cllr. Wendy Martin noted that she is looking into the possibility of having a club in the village from April onwards – depending on equipment storage space.

Ffordd Bryn Hir towards Llety - it was noted that a number of motorbikes use the road. Cllr. Mike Rayner agreed to enquire with the County.

10. **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING:** Monday 02/03/2015 at 7:30 p.m.