**Seven Sisters Community Council**

**Cyngor Cymuned Blaendulais.**

**Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 6th March 2023**

Present: Chairman: Mr L C Jenkins

Councillors: Mr C Davies, Mr C Hamer, Cllr S Hunt

Mrs H Jones, Mr L Parfitt. and Mr P Totterdale.

Clerk: Mrs L E Oliver

**1 Apologies for Absence**.

There were apologies from Mrs Ellar, Mr Francis, Mr John and Mr Thomas

**2 Declaration of Interests**.

There were no declarations.

**3 To Receive the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 6th February 2023**

After an alteration, it was RESOLVED the minutes were a true record of the meeting.

**4 Matters Arising**.

The Chairman gave an update on the proposed wind farm. He outlined the five areas of concern, being mine workings, watercourses, peat bogs and transport during construction. He also said it had been determined that the flicker effect from the turbines could induce fits in certain people. Cllr Hunt said the Welsh Government would have to pass the planning position and NPTCBC are only consultees. He said EDF were trying to involve Cllr Harris, but everything must go through the action group. The Chairman said the Welsh Government would respect the opinion of local communities.

**5 Meeting with Mrs Ellar**

The Clerk had circulated an email from Mrs Ellar tendering her resignation. It was agreed to discuss this at the next meeting.

**6 Policing Matters**

There were no matters to discuss.

**7 Community Hall and CHAOSS**.

The Chairman said a meeting had been held with Carol and her position had been explained. CHAOSS would be amending her job description. She had been told that everything she planned to do must be approved by CHAOSS. The hall was not being cleaned to Health and Safety standards and food preparation equipment should only be in the kitchen. It was suggested that a Health and Safety check should be carried out to attain a benchmark to work from going forward and Cllr Hunt said he would arrange that. There was also a discussion regarding warm hub status but as this programme only had three weeks to run it was agreed it was too late to do anything.

As Mr Davies was not present there was no update on the solar panels.

**8 Recreation Ground**

The Clerk said Sutcliffe Play had advised the equipment had been repaired and Mr Totterdale said he would check this.

Mr Parfitt said the trees by the pavilion needed cutting back.

The Clerk had circulated an email from Mr P Parfitt stating the then Chairman had said no-one should have access to the CCTV system on their phones. As previously it had been agreed that all Recreation Ground committee members should have access, it would be left until the new council year to deal with this.

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The Clerk read out an email from a resident complaining about the state of the steps leading down from Martyn’s Avenue. It was agreed the council did not have funds at present to carry out the necessary repairs, but signs were needed to warn people. Cllr Hunt said he would obtain the correct wording and Mr Parfitt said he would contact a signwriter. The Chairman said an entrance further along would also need a sign.

**9 Brynbedd Cemetery**

Mr Parfitt asked Cllr Hunt when the bins were due to be emptied and he said he would arrange this. Mr Parfitt said he would ask the grave digger to put the bins outside. The Chairman and Mr Hamer had met at the cemetery, and he said slabs were needed for the bins by the tap. Mr Parfitt said he would speak to Marko.

**10 Meetings attended by Councillors**

There had been no meetings.

**11 Planning Matters**

Application No. P2022/1053

Mr Jody Davies, 14A Brynhyfryd Terrace, Seven Sisters

Proposed single storey rear extension and outbuilding

Planning sub-committee had no objections

**12 Correspondence**.

NPTCBC – Town/Community Liaison Forum joint working proposal – circulated 13.2.23.

One Voice Wales – Request for Honours Nominations – circulated 16.2.23

Independent Remuneration Panel report – circulated 28.2.23.

NPTCBC Invitation to Palm Sunday Service – circulated 28.2.23.

**13 Clerk’s Report**. Noted.

# Income £ p

# Accounts for payment

L Oliver, February 325.20

C Freeman, February as per contract

C Horne - Relief Caretaker March 427.50

NPTCBC – School Crossing 2022-3 6675.00

**14 Land Behind 30 Pen y Banc**

The Clerk had circulated a reply from Mr Pedley. The Chairman said land at the Cwm belonged to the council but was not registered. He asked if we really wanted the upkeep of the land. He suggested members of the Recreation Ground committee inspect the land and report back to council.

# 15 Doctor’s Surgery

The Chairman gave a report which was duly noted.

**16 Any Other Business**

There was no other business.

The Chairman then closed the meeting.

Chairman: L C Jenkins Date: 3rd April 2023

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