

# **CYNGOR CYMUNED GWAUN CAE GURWEN GWAUN CAE GURWEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

## **Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council**

### **Held at the Tairgwaith Community Centre**

**On Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2018 at 6.30pm**

#### **188. Present**

Councillors – Geoff Moore (Presiding), Dafydd Humphries, Dai Davies, Linda Bentham, Michele Emerson, Cathryn Harrison, Dave Jones, Len Preece, Adrian Herdman, Mike Harrison, Gareth Edmondson, Sue Jordan.

#### **In Attendance**

Lyn Llewellyn, Clerk to the Council.

#### **Apologies – (Agenda item No 1)**

Nia Treharne and Leander Bell

#### **Nia Treharne**

Members were delighted to hear that Nia had given birth to a baby boy and both were doing well. It was decided to send her a bouquet of flowers from the members.

**189. Declarations of personal interest – (Agenda item No 2)** No declarations were made.

#### **190. Minutes (Agenda item No 3)**

Proposed and seconded and agreed by all members present that, subject to the correction of County Cllr Arwyn Woolcock's name in Minute 174, the draft minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on the 10th April 2018 be approved and signed by the Chairperson.

**191. Matters arising from those minutes – (Agenda item No 4)**

**Minute 176 refers -**

- **The Old School, Ysgol y Glyn - Roofing Repairs and dry rot treatment**

Reported that according to the Council's consultant work will begin very shortly.

- **Y Banwen Association**

Reported that the lease is still with the Banwen Association for signature.

- **Declaration of Councillor Vacancy for Lower Brynman Ward** A notice inviting applications will be posted as soon as possible.
- **Christmas Lights**

Michele apologised for the delay – she will deal with the questionnaire etc., as soon as possible.

- **Cwmgors Village Forum**

Noted that no letter has been received from the Secretary.

- **Council Website**

Gareth reported that the new website would take a few months to complete.

**192. Co-option of new member - Linda Bentham (Agenda item No 5)** Linda Bentham duly signed her declaration of acceptance of office form.

**193. Training Program for members (Agenda item No 6)**

The clerk recommended that new members should try to attend at least three courses – the Clerk was asked to contact One Voice Wales regarding local training arrangements.

**194. Celtic Energy Community Benefit Fund – Grant Application from Organised Kaos Youth Circus Ltd (Agenda item 7)**

The chairperson, Geoff Moore, reported that he had visited the applicant and had resolved the queries raised by members in the Special Council meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> May 2018. However, members raised additional queries concerning VAT and requested the applicant to amend the application.

**195. Opencast Site – Written report prepared by Cllr Dai Davies**

**(Agenda item 8)**

The report was presented by Dai and was discussed by members in some detail. It was proposed by Michele and seconded by Adrian and supported by members present that a meeting be arranged with the Head of Planning at Neath Port Talbot CBC to discuss Safety Issues etc.

**196 Accounts for Payment for May 2018 – (Agenda item No 9)** It was proposed, seconded and agreed by all members present that the following accounts be approved for payment –

- ☐ Payments for May 2018 totalling £8.768.02 (Cheque No: 103709 – 103726).

**See Schedules of Payments attached to these minutes**

**197. Correspondence – (Agenda item No: 10)** The following was noted

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- ☐ ROSPA Play Safety Team – informing Council that the inspection of its play areas at Cwmgors and Tairgwaith will take place during June. **Agreed that the skateboard in Heol Godfrey be added to the inspection list.**

**198. Planning Applications – (Agenda item No: 11)**

- Application No: P2018/0261  
Applicant's Name: Mr Matthew Court and Mr Chris Morgan, 52, Maesywerin, Gwaun Cae Gurwen  
Site Location: 52 Maesywerin, GCG  
Proposed Development: Single storey rear and side extension.  
**No Objection**
- Application No: P2018/0381  
Applicant's Name: Miss J Williams and Stephen Lee, 23 Llwyn Road, Cwmgors  
Site Location: 23 Llwyn Road, Cwmgors  
Proposed Development: Single storey rear extension

## **No Objection**

### **199. Reports and representations of committees, sub committees and external bodies – (Agenda item No: 12)**

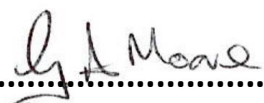
- Noted that the following meetings will be called shortly - Waun Gors Wetlands Committee and the Standing Orders Committee.

### **200. To consider motions received (if any) - (Agenda item No 13)** There were no motions received.

### **201. Any Other Urgent Business – (Agenda item No 14)** **Busy Rascals, GCG Community Centre**

Reported that an e-mail had been received from the organisation asking for permission to erect a fence and gate to make secure the grassed area to the rear of the building for the children to play during good weather. A drawing of the proposal was attached. Agreed that permission be granted provided the emergency exit was not blocked.

**The meeting was closed at 8.45pm**

Signed..........Dated 12/06/2018