

# Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council Held Via Zoom On Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2020 at 6.30pm

# Meeting started at 6.30pm

# 19. Members Present

Leonard Preece, Presiding.

Councillors - Geoff Moore, Sue Jordan, Mike Harrison, Leander Prescott, David Davies, David Jones.

# Also In Attendance

Ffion Lewis, Assistant Clerk

# Apologies for absence (Agenda item No 1)

Stephen Roach, Adrian Herdman, Rachel Jones, Helen Barker, John Holmes, Nia Treharne.

# **20.** <u>Declarations of personal interest</u> (Agenda item No 2)

There were no Declarations of personal interest.

#### **21.** Chair's Announcements (Agenda item No 3)

There were no announcements from the chair.

# **22.** Questions From The Public. (Agenda item No 4)

There were no questions from the public.

# 23. <u>Verification and Confirmation Of Minutes.</u> (Agenda item No 5)

**Resolved** that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2020 (prints of which having previously circulated to members) be taken as read, and hereby verified, received and confirmed respectively with the following amendment:

#### Minute No 12:

Due to the absence of the presiding chair, Cllr Dafydd Humphreys, and the delay of the Vice Chair, Cllr Len Preece, it was agreed by all that Cllr Geoff Moore was to chair this evenings meeting.

#### 24. Matters Arising. (Agenda item No. 6)

# Application No: P2020/0677

It was suggested that the councillors would contact the County Councillors to ask if there will be a replacement for the proposed demolition or if there's a possibility of repairing the building.

#### **25.** To Approve and Sign Annual Audit Return (Agenda item No.7)

It was proposed by Cllr Leander Prescott, Seconded by Cllr Geoff Moore and agreed by all that the annual audit return be approved and signed.

# **26.** Budget Monitoring Report for 2019/2020. (Agenda item No.8)

After reviewing the Budget Monitoring report it was suggested that the councillors look at the Bank paying in slips to see how much the halls receive for hiring.

# **27.** Accounts for Payment (Agenda item No.9)

Cllr David Jones abstained from voting due to not being able to view the circulated document.

It was proposed by Cllr Leander Prescott, seconded by Cllr Geoff Moore and agreed by the remainder of members present that the Accounts totalling £12488.88 (Cheque No 104193 to 104209) be approved for payment.

# **28.** Planning Application (Agenda item No.10)

# Application No: P2020/0843

Applicants Name/Address: Mr J Morgan. C/o Agent

Site Location: Land between 2A and 4 Neuadd Road, Gwaun Cae Gurwen.

Proposal: Detached residential dwelling (Outline) including access. No

Objections.

# Application No: P2020/0858

Applicants Name/Address: Mr Clint Budd, Cilpentan Farm, Llwyncelyn Road, Tairgwaith. SA18 1UU.

Site Location: Cilpentan Farm, Llwyncelyn Road, Tairgwaith. SA18 1UU.

*Proposal:* Replacement resiting of existing septic tank / grey water treatment system.

Cllr L Preece declared an interest.

No Objections.

# Application No: P2020/0879

Applicants Name/Address: Celtic Energy Ltd – Mr Robert Thompson. 9 Beddau Way, Castle Gate Business Park, Caerphilly. CF83 2AX.

Site Location: East Pit Revised Opencast Mine, New Road, GCG, SA18 1UP. Proposal: Application for approval of details under conditions 69 b (Nature Conservation Steering Committee / Biodiversity Action Plan) and 74 (Aftercare Scheme) of Planning permission P2018/0636. It was agreed that the councillors would look into what this application entailed.

# **29.** Correspondence (Agenda item No.11)

Email received from Anthony Gough (Centregreat Ltd) wanting confirmation of when to install and remove the Christmas lights. It was agreed by all that the lights to be installed by 1<sup>st</sup> December and removed after 6<sup>th</sup> January.

#### **30.** Clerk's Notice Of Termination of Employment. (Agenda item No.12)

Lyn Llewellyn's letter of resignation was circulated to all members of the council via email from himself. The date of termination of employment will be 31<sup>st</sup> October 2020. It was proposed by Cllr David Jones, seconded by Cllr Mike Harrison and agreed by all that they would gift Lyn a council plate to thank him for his service.

#### **31.** Bank Mandate (Agenda item No.13)

The Chair reported that the change of details with regards to the Bank Accounts were in hand. It was noted that it could take a few weeks but the Council are still able to make payments using the cheque book.

#### **32.** Mobile Phone (Agenda item No.14)

It was suggested by the Chair that the council purchase a mobile phone for office use. It was proposed by Cllr David Jones, seconded by Cllr David Davies and agreed by all that this is done as soon as possible.

#### **33.** Questions to the Chair. (Agenda item No.15)

Cllr Leander Prescott informed the council that there are two plates waiting to be presented (previously approved). Will arrange collection of the plates from Ffion and will present these on behalf of the council. Cllr David Davies informed the council of the issues that have been presented to himself with regards to the footpath in Cwmgors. The trustee of Nantcricket farm has been denying access to the footpath. The trustee has also been shouting at passers-by to try and deter them from using the path.

It was proposed by Cllr David Jones that in the future the council are to provide new councillors with a starter pack, which would comprise of: The Good Councillors Guide, The Standing orders, Contact details of the other members.

The Chair and Cllr David Jones suggested to the council the consideration of setting up a Corona Relief fund. To be discussed in further detail at the next meeting.

The Chair suggested that the council look into purchasing tablets for the members and asked Cllr Geoff Moore to bring the work done previously on this matter to the council.

The meeting was closed at 9.00pm

Signed ...... Dated <u>10/11/2020</u>