



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

### **Held Via Zoom**

**On Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2021 at 6.30pm**

**Meeting started at 6.30pm**

### **31. Members Present**

L. Preece, Presiding.

Councillors: G. Moore, S. Jordan, D. Jones, S. Thomas, C. Petrie, H. Baker, S. Reynolds, M. Harrison, N. Treharne

### **Also In Attendance**

Cllr. A. Woolcock.

Ff. Lewis, Clerk/RFO.

### **Apologies for absence** *(Agenda item No 1)*

Cllr. L. Prescott, Cllr. S. Roach.

### **32. Declarations of personal interest** *(Agenda item No 2)*

Cllr. L. Preece, Cllr. S. Reynolds, Cllr. C. Petrie and Cllr. S. Thomas declared an interest with Canolfan Maerdy.

**33. Chair's announcements (Agenda item No 3)**

The Chair informed the council of the virtual meeting policy created by the Clerk. The Chair also reminded the council that apologies of absence need to be sent directly to the Clerk.

***6.38 pm Cllr. S. Jordan joined the meeting.***

**34. Questions from the public. (Agenda item No 4)**

There were no questions from the public.

***6.40 pm Cllr. M. Harrison joined the meeting.***

**35. To receive any updates from County Council. (Agenda item No 5)**

Cllr. A. Woolcock informed the council that NPTCBC will be sending single occupancy households in the GCG area letters requesting confirmation of their details.

Cllr. A. Woolcock informed the council that there have been many complaints from residents with regards to drivers not using the roundabout at Maes-YGlyn correctly. Cllr. A. Woolcock has contacted NPTCBC with regards to this matter and has requested that a feasibility survey is carried out.

Cllr. A. Woolcock informed the council that he has received an email from the open cast informing him that some of their machinery is currently out of order and that they will be using a small dozer until this issue has been resolved.

Cllr. S. Reynolds informed the council that she has been in contact with Celtic Energy with regards to a site visit. Under current rules and regulations, this visit will need to be done in more than one visit.

***7.15pm Cllr. A. Woolcock left the meeting.***

**36. Verification and Confirmation of Minutes.** *(Agenda item No 6)*

**Resolved** that the following minutes of the Community Council (prints of which having been previously circulated to members) be taken as read, and the same are hereby verified, received and confirmed by all respectively:

Gwaun Cae Gurwen Community Council Ordinary Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> May 2021.

Gwaun Cae Gurwen Community Council Annual Meeting 25<sup>th</sup> May 2021.

**37. Matters arising.** *(Agenda item No 7)*

**Minute No. 17 (Annual Meeting) – Appointment of Internal Auditor**

The Chair informed the council that he has contacted an internal Auditor requesting a quote but is waiting for their reply.

**38. Planning Application** *(Agenda item No 8)*

***Application No: P2021/0555***

*Applicants Name/Address:* Mr Stephen Ace, 10 Maes Y Bwlch, Llanelli. SA15 2ER.

*Site Location:* 13 Brook Terrace, Taigwaith. SA18 1YA.

*Proposal:* Rebuild of ground floor extension and garage and construction of first floor extension.

No Objections.

***Application No: P2021/0421***

*Applicants Name/Address:* Mr & Mrs Huw & Zoe Caines-Leonard, 42 Leyshon Road, GCG. SA18 1EN.

*Site Location:* 42 Leyshon Road, GCG. SA18 1EN.

*Proposal:* Proposed double story side extension and rear extension. Works include the demolition of an existing conservatory.

No Objections.

**7.25pm Cllr. N. Treharne left the meeting.**

**39. Correspondence (Agenda item No 9)**

Email from Elle Francis regarding Christmas lights. It was agreed by all councillors present to do the same as last Christmas and the Clerk to complete the relevant paperwork as necessary.

Email received by the Clerk and circulated to all Councillors regarding the accident in Cwmgors. The Clerk informed the Council that she has replied to the person in question informing the individual that GCGCC will look into the matter. It was agreed by all present that the Clerk is to write to South Wales Police regarding this incident voicing GCGCC's concerns.

**40. GCG Community Hall (Agenda item No 10)**

Cllr. D. Jones informed the council that the constitution that has been circulated prior to the meeting has been amended before agreed by all members of the working group. The councillors voiced their concerns with regards to the constitution received as there are contradictions between the constitution and the proposed lease agreement. Cllr. S. Thomas agreed that she is willing to help GCG Management Committee and the working group with creating a constitution and lease agreement. It was agreed by all present that another working group meeting needs to be arranged as soon as possible.

**41. Accounts received from the hall management committees (Agenda item No 11)**

The Clerk previously circulated the accounts for Cwmgors management committee and GCG management committee to all councillors via email. The councillors asked the Clerk to contact Martin Locock, the Chair for GCG management committee, requesting that they provide a more detailed report of the money received.

**42. Adopt and agree Policies (Agenda item No 12)**

The following policies were previously circulated via email by the Clerk and adopted by the councillors in this evenings meeting:

- Planning Applications Policy
- Virtual Meeting Policy

Cllr. S. Jordan and Cllr. D. Jones abstained from voting.

**43. Adopt and agree Terms of Reference (Agenda item No 13)**

The following Terms of Reference were previously circulated via email by the Clerk and adopted by the councillors in this evenings meeting:

- Terms of Reference for Personnel Committee
- Terms of Reference for Finance Committee

Cllr. S. Jordan abstained from voting.

**44. Agree dates for the committee meetings (Agenda item No 14)**

The Chair suggested that each committee should organise meetings amongst themselves with the exception of the Finance Committee and Personnel Committee. This was agreed by all present.

**45. Agree how to conduct future meetings (Agenda item No 15)**

It was proposed by Cllr. G. Moore, seconded by Cllr. S. Thomas and agreed by all to review this in September's Ordinary Meeting. Currently, due to Covid rules, the council will continue to conduct their monthly meetings via Zoom.

**46. Reports and representations of Committees, Sub Committees and External Bodies** *(Agenda item No 16)*

There were no reports.

**47. To consider any motions** *(Agenda item No 17)*

There were no motions to consider.

**48. Questions to the Chair** *(Agenda item No 18)*

Cllr. C. Petrie reported to the council that he has been looking at ways to improve GCGCC's web page (as previously requested by the Chair). The Chair informed the council that he has spoken to Copperbay. It was agreed by all that the Clerk is to send an email to Copperbay requesting a copy of the contract made and request the login details to the control panel.

***9.00pm The Chair called an extension to the meeting.***

**49. In Camera meeting** *(Agenda item No 19)*

Cllr. L. Preece passed the Chair to Cllr. G. Moore. After a very lengthy discussion it was agreed by all present that Cllr. G. Moore would send a letter of response to the Clerk and the Clerk would pass this onto the body in question.

**The meeting was closed at 9.17pm**

Signed.....

**Dated**

**13/07/2021**

