

March 2023 - Minutes

Councillors held a meeting on the 29th of March 2023 with Cllr Holgate presiding, Cllr Sion Evans was absent, all other councillors were present.

No public participation.

The Chair welcomed all to the meeting.

Minutes confirmed, proposed by Cllr Cook and seconded by Cllr Coviello.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Dog Waste – Looked at prices of dispensers, decided to go with the water bottle dispensers for now and the council will pay for the bags, we'll see how this works out.

Odwyn's leaving do – Had a lovely get together in the Talbot. We bought a felt picture made by a local lady, Ali Scott. Cllr Holgate is getting some wording put on the back of it. Donations have been made towards this. Cllr Eryl Evans to send a Photo and write up to Cambrian News and clerk to post on website.

Open Doors Open Minds – Cllr Hall gave an update regarding the Open Doors Open Minds, they struggled with a venue, therefore the grant was sent back to CAVO, clerk repaid it, the council to reimburse clerk. Cllr Evans mentioned Dolen Teifi, community transport facility for lifts to groups. It was suggested that the various groups should maybe work together.

Speeding – notices are displayed around the villages and towns regarding the reduction in speed coming in in September. Cllr Otway requested a new Llangybi sign to replace the one that was smashed into and removed! Clerk to contact the County council to see what the procedure is.

FFRINDIAU CAE CHWARAE

Cllr Duffee gave an update after their meeting on the 22nd of March, they have set up their monthly visual checks. The councillors were asked if they would be willing to take part and put their names on the list? Any willing volunteers to notify Cllr Duffee. A fundraiser has been organised for May 1st. Cllr Duffee has purchased 'quick pour' for repairs. Cllr Duffee to bring in the receipt. It was agreed that the council will pay for the repairs and the fundraiser can pay for picnic bench and disability swing. Any necessary repairs need to be made prior to the next annual inspection! A request was made for the council to pay for the annual inspection, this was agreed. There will be more funding available in due course to purchase the big items for the park. One of the members of the Ffrindiau committee will be setting up a Just Giving page to help with the funds. Cllr Duffee asked if we would be willing to ring fence any funds they do raise – This was agreed.

Cllr Duffee left the meeting.

CYFEILLION CYBI

An update was emailed to the councillors. They have received 15 planters; they have been donated some top soil and some bulbs.

DEFIBRILLATOR

Olmarch – the defibrillator is in place; it has been registered and is up and running.

Llangybi – Cllr Otway has been checking it, it is registered, it needs replacement pads and battery etc. Cllr Otway was advised that it would soon be obsolete! Cllr Eryl Evans will contact the lady who helped with the Olmarch one to see what she says regarding funding for a new one or see what she suggests. To be on next month's agenda.

LIGHTING IN OLMARCH

It is very dark on the junction where the defibrillator is – Cllr Evans contacted the council, they won't supply this but would be willing to adopt if we purchased it. Cllr Evans got some prices, it was suggested that an extension arm be placed on a current pole at a cost of £972.80. As long as we get the agreement of the local residents - Cllr Coviello proposed that we cover the cost and seconded by Cllr Holgate.

FINANCE

We decided to give £100 to C.F.I Bro dderi, £100 to Neuadd Goffa Llangybi, £200 to Ysgol y Dderi, £100 to Wales Air ambulance, £100 to Cyfeillion Cybi, £100 towards a Coronation barbecue for Menter Silian and to pay the Silian insurance £123.25. Junior Golf Group in Llangybi have requested a donation – next month's agenda. Need to send a card to Dion Regan for doing so well in his golf – Heather to notify me of the correct title.

Cheques to Michelle for £710 to re-imburse for repaying the CAVO grant and £590.55 for the defibrillator cabinet

Cheques were signed for these. Cheque signed to pay the membership of One Voice Wales - £120.00.

UPDATE FROM CLLR ERYL EVANS

Council tax increase of 7.3% due to fire brigade levy and basic services, schools, carers etc. Free school meals coming in by Easter up to year 3 & 4.

Menter Silian, they are going to attempt to take on the lease of the Church. Cllr Evans visited the Autism bus, recommends that all should visit. Cllr Evans is organising a First Aid course in May in Ysgol y Dderi.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

After submitting the grant for the hybrid equipment, we were successful. Cllr Holgate and clerk will have a zoom meeting with Lois Pugh on the 4th April at 12.30 for an introduction. Need to notify Heini and Elfed of the success.

REMINDER

Any Public participation can only be regarding items on the agenda and a maximum of 5 minutes. Agenda items must be notified to the clerk at least a week before the meeting.

For next agenda – Betws phonebox – the tree is getting bigger!

The next meeting is on Wednesday 26th April at 7.30 p.m.