

ARTHOG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL AGM HELD AT THE GANOLFAN, ARTHOG, ON 4/5/2016

359. Present: Cllr J. Kirkham (Chairman), Cllr Scott, Cllr P. Parker, Cllr P. Thomas, Cllr P. Roberts, Cllr J. Haycock, Cllr Wiles, Cllr Eves, County Councillor L Hughes, Mrs. S. Williams (Clerk).

360. Apologies: Cllr D. Hughes.

361. Declaration of Interests: - None.

362. To Receive Special Announcement from the Chair:-

The Chair thanked Cllr Scott for all his hard work.

363. Minutes of Meeting Held on 6th April 2016

The minutes were agreed by the Council as being correct and minutes duly signed.

364. Matters arising from minutes:-

344.- The 'Three finger' posts – can Golf Club be added to these. Fairbourne Festival will give a price and bring to the Council.

Information Board- Cllr Scott read out an e-mail from Gwynedd Council, with regards to the positioning of the notice board. The Community Council would like Cllr Scott to pursue this and Cllr Scott will present Gwynedd Council with a 'dummy' notice board.

352- Cllrs Parker and Wiles researched three other SMP's and suggested that they approach the three areas and ascertain which/what forecast they used.

There is now a network rail representative on the Project Board.

353- Cllr Eves informed the meeting that someone from Gwynedd Council will be coming to look at the wall, at Ynys Faig Farm.

365. Clerks Report

Please see correspondence.

366. Election of Chairman

Cllr Haycock was elected Chairman for the next 12 months. A vote of thanks was given to Cllr Kirkham for his work as Chairman during the past 12 months.

367. Election of Vice- Chairman

Cllr Kirkham proposed Cllr Scott. Seconded by Cllr Thomas. Cllr Scott was duly elected as Vice Chairman.

368. Representatives to Outside Bodies

Cllr Kirkham- Barmouth Harbour
Cllr Hughes- Llais Cymru
Cllr Wiles – Fairbourne Village Hall (+ 1 vacancy)
Cllr Scott- Golf Club & Flood Wardens
Cllrs Parker & Wiles – Project Board
Cllr Haycock- School
Cllr Eves- Fairbourne Railway
Cllr Haycock -Pyg yr Allt.

369. Specific Items Brought to Attention

a) Damage to Fencing in Car Park

Photos of the damage to the fencing were shown to the Councillors. The police have been contacted and propose to visit the site. The insurance company have also been contacted. Quotes to be obtained for the repair work.

370. SMP2

Decommissioning Phraseology

The Project Board are keen to use the term 'decommissioning'. Cllr Parker discussed the phrase ' Long Term Plan' be used. The Council agreed to this Phraseology.

Legal Challenge

No further information from Fairbourne Facing Change.

371. Correspondence

Quote from Cllr Roberts for the upkeep of the Footpaths.

Cllr Roberts left the room when Tender for Footpaths was discussed. The Council agreed that Public Liability Insurance was needed. Cllr Roberts returned once this item had been discussed.

The tender for the footpaths was given to Cllr Roberts.

Young Farmers letter requesting financial support for this year- Councillors agreed that they would waive this request for this year.

Fairbourne Festival asking for financial support. A sum of £150 towards the Festival was proposed by Cllr Kirkham and seconded by Cllr Roberts. This proposal was agreed.

Letter from Bwlchgwyn Farm was discussed and it was resolved to forward the letter to NRW for them to comment on the contents of the letter.

Letter from HRCL consultancy regarding footpath No 13 was discussed and it was resolved that the Clerk enquire who HRCL are acting for.

Letter regarding salt bins was discussed and it was resolved that the exact location and condition of the bins would be confirmed by Cllrs Thomas and Roberts. The Cllrs would report their findings before the August recess.

Letter from One Voice Wales regarding their AGM would be handed over to Cllr D. Hughes.

GC. Temporary prohibition notice Penrhyn Drive North.

GC. letter regarding sale/title of Land at Morfa Friog- Clerk to write to GC requesting information of sale price from GC to NRW.

GC. e-mail regarding siting of notice board in the railway carpark- was discussed.

GC. letter regarding the implementation of a 30 MPH zone at Penrhyn Point. Documentation will be forwarded from the Transportation and Street Care service to their Legal service in the next couple of weeks so that they may begin the consultation period.

Letter from Mr Pocock was discussed- Highways officers will visit Mr Pocock.

Quote of £ 150 for WV Round for repairs to bench was agreed by the Council. The bench is situated in the lay-by in Arthog.

372. Planning Applications

SNPA- NP/5/52/LB141 Permit A- Change of use of garden to parking area, Garden opposite haddef, 1 Arthog Terrace, Arthog.- no observations.

SNPA- NP/5/52/133G Permit Retrospective application for retention of garden shed, hot tub, covered bar area, conservatory/store extension and retaining wall, Brackenhurst, Bryn Road, Fairbourne \

373. Financial Report and Payments Made

No bank statements were available for the meeting.

The following payments were made:-

- Sign Creation £285.00
- GC ground rent £1.00
- Cambrian News (job Adverts) £ 148.00
- Clerk (stationery) £12.80
- W.V Round (wooden planters) £240
- M. Scott (Stationery and picnic table fixings and embankment sign fixings) £57.71

Receipts

half year precept £4250

374. Representatives Reports

Cllr Parker reported that there has been no project board meetings since the last ACC meeting. There will be a drop-in meeting relating to Equity and Buy to Let, on 6th May 2016 in Fairbourne village hall between 2pm and 6pm.

Cllr Scott went to a meeting in Tywyn regarding the proposals to alleviate the traffic

problems relating to the flooding of Dyfi Bridge. Cllr Scott explained and discussed the plans and proposals. The Council discussed the advantages and disadvantages of a By-Pass. The Council agreed that a By-Pass would be best. Cllr Scott will draft a letter with the Council's observations and the Clerk will forward this to Tywyn Town Council.

Cllr Eves reported that the Fairbourne Railway have finished the 15inch gauge platform. There will be 3 trains running everyday at Christmas for the Santa Special.

GCC Hughes discussed correspondence she has received regarding parking for disabled persons.

GCC Hughes also reported that the closure of Barmouth bridge has been put on hold for a year.

375 To Receive Councillors Questions

There is now a vacancy for the Arthog Ward. The clerk to place a notice in Arthog.

Cllr Scott discussed the recent relocation of Tywyn Health Centre to the Memorial Hospital. The difficulty of walking the distance from the railway station for some local residents was discussed. The Council decided that the clerk should write to Lloyds Coaches to discuss the re-routing of the bus stop to enable residents to alight closer to the new health centre.

The Council discussed the possible change of use of a building in Fairbourne which has not had planning consent. GCC Hughes will contact Gwynedd Council Enforcement team.

376. Date of Next Meeting.

Wednesday 1st June 2016

Meeting Closed 9.27pm