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MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL – 09.07.2025 - 7.00pm at Y Ganolfan

Meeting opened 7.01 pm

<u>Present</u>: Geraint Edwards (GE) (Chair) Keith Carroll (KC) (Vice Chair), Ian Williams (IW), Huw Davies (HD), Cath Severn (CS), Jane Lawrence (JS), David Griffiths (DG), County Councillor Louise Hughes (LH) and Jane Jenkins (Clerk)

1. Chairperson's Welcome

2. Apologies

Geraint Micah.

Apologies received from Paul Williams (Dolgellau Fire Service) who was unable to make his 7pm meeting with the Council.

2a Registration of Interest if known

None.

3. Approval of minutes of previous meeting 11/06/25

Minutes agreed as a true copy. HD referred to point 5 (Correspondence) and stated reference should have been made as to what the request for support was for, namely the new Astro Turf surface at Tywyn and asked that in future more detail was provided for clarity.

RESOLVED: Proposed KC Seconded HD Signed GE

4. Matters arising from previous meeting - 11/06/25

Response from Sewerage Services
Noted. Nothing further to be done at this point.

2. ROSPA Report

The report was discussed, and all Cllrs were happy with its contents. It was agreed that the adult equipment at medium risk should be monitored. CS raised the issue of the park railings and enquired whether the Council could, along with members of the community, clean and paint them. Cllrs to give the matter further thought and discuss further at the next meeting in September. A risk assessment would be required before any work could be undertaken. CS to enquire within the village as to whether people would be interested in helping.

3. Update from Gwynedd CC re pavement issues

Clerk advising no response as yet to letter regarding the pavement issues on the junction by Ffordd Y Felin.

4. Update from Gwynedd CC re coastal path

Clerk advising no response to date regarding the condition of the coastal path/unclassified road between Parthygwyddwch and Tydfarch. Clerk to follow up. DG to obtain some photographs of the condition to Clerk which can be attached to letters.

ACTION: Clerk to chase both Highways and Coastal Paths.

5. Defibrillator update

JL confirmed that approximate prices had been obtained to set up the defibrillator donated by the First Responders at the Gwastadgoed end of village and the price included Polycarbonate, non-locking defib box with heater £390-£420 plus VAT, Brackets to secure box to post £55 plus VAT, Supply of post, installation and electrical connection £500, new pads £60 inc VAT and Battery £260 inc VAT. At this point a new battery is not required as a spare is available which would put the total cost at approximately £1,025 plus VAT where it hasn't been included already.

In respect of the defibrillator donated by Andy Evans, Clerk advising an email had been received stating that it had arrived and installation was being sorted. It is not clear who will be responsible for the cost of installation as it is being sorted through Dolgellau Fire Station. Clerk advised that it cannot simply be attached to existing lamp post, as that is part of Gwynedd CC street furniture – the proper installation procedure has to be followed which incurs the £500 fee. It is anticipated that by September the donated defibrillator will be installed at the play park and the Council will then move forward with the one in Gwastadgoed.

Clerk was asked to contact Paul Williams and mention the Council is aware that he is assisting Andy Evans with installation and enquire whether this will be on a new post or whether on the existing lamp post and if existing asking that if we are to take full responsibility for it, that confirmation is given that the proper procedure for installation through Gwynedd CC is being followed.

JL advising that she wished to take over the management of the defibrillators and fundraising.

RESOLVED: Unanimous agreement that JL should take over the defibrillators.

ACTION: Clerk to contact Paul Williams.

5. Correspondence

None.

6. Planning Applications/Licensing Applications

None.

7. Financial Matters

1. Monthly finance statement for June 2025

HD queried why R Lott was listed as a credit (donation for defibrillators) and not the Garthangharad Quiz. Clerk advising that the financial statement must reflect what the bank statement says and therefore HD requested that Garthangharad Quiz be written in brackets by hand at the side to clarify where exactly the donation came from, and this was done.

RESOLVED: Unanimously agreed as a true account

Proposed: IW Seconded: HD Signed: GE

2. Invoices/Payments

Payments - Clerks Pay June (M3)

RESOLVED: Unanimous agreement for payment to be made and cheque signed.

ACTION: Clerk to make payment.

3. Clerks pay July (M4)

Clerk produced the proposed July pay statement (subject to any PAYE payment when payroll run) as no meeting in August which was agreed and cheque signed to be completed after payroll completed.

ACTION: Clerk to finalise payroll for July on 31st and make payment.

4. Audit Wales

Clerk advising that the External Audit had been submitted.

Training

CS handed Clerk the training certificate from her Introduction to the Council course. CS asked to complete more training which included a course on planning. Clerk advised that there is £80 bursary remaining which reduces the cost of courses from £42 to £22 and it was noted that the training pot had sufficient funds in any event. CS will forward details of the courses she wishes to be registered on to Clerk so that the bursary can be claimed and CS enrolled.

ACTION: On receipt of course information, Clerk to register CS and complete bursary application.

6. Review Code of Conduct

Councillors confirmed that the document had been reviewed, and no amendments were required.

RESOLVED: The Code of Conduct was adopted without any amendments/additions.

8. Representatives' Reports

DG advised that he had attended Y Ganolfan AGM and noted the following points:

- Treasurer had been transferred to S Hands
- Book launch has gone well, over 300 copies sold all funds to Y Ganolfan
- On the first weekend of August there is an exhibition relating to the book in Y Ganolfan
- A new cleaner had been appointed
- The 2025 duck race had seen 925 ducks sold
- The post office will be remaining at Y Ganolfan
- All Y Ganolfan officers remained the same, although Sue Hamlin wishes to step down as booking clerk
- The Constitution was passed
- No change in hire fees for 2025-26.

9. County Councillor's Report

LH reported that she had attended the AGM of the full council and a full council meeting on 9th July.

LH also reported that she had been speaking with Iwan Ap Trefor regarding the unclassified road at Sunbeach and is actively pursuing the reinstatement of the road. It was agreed that Clerk would forward copies of correspondence between the Community Council and Iwan Ap Trefor.

KC enquired whether it was looking likely that Gwynedd CC would be adopting the tourism tax – LH was unsure but thought likely and will make further enquiries into it.

10. Any Other Business

 A member of the village had asked for the tourist information sign currently in grounds of Y Ganolfan be rehung on the park railings. Cllrs were not in agreement to it being placed here. GE advised that Y Ganolfan Committee will deal with the request.

- 2. DG raised the issue of Llanegryn bus stop and the recent incident involving pre-school children being dropped on the main road on the opposite side from the village due to bus services (G21) having been removed from servicing Llanegryn due to lack of use. Currently the only buses entering the village are the school and college buses. LH advised she was aware of the situation and the bus service is under review. DG said the school would be sending out requests asking for support for the reinstatement of the bus service or at least the official bus stop being within the layby.
- 3. GE mentioned that the Llwyngwril sign as you enter the village from Fairbourne direction needs replacing and asked Clerk to contact Highways for a replacement.

Meeting closed 8.45 pm

Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 10/09/2025 at 7.00pm - "Y Ganolfan" Llwyngwril

Signed G Edwards

Chairman Date 10/09/2025