

MINUTES OF Y BORTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COMMUNITY HALL
ON MONDAY 5th DECEMBER 2022 AT 19.00 HRS

<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHAIRPERSON</u>	H HUGHES
		R DALTON
		A HUGHES
		A J MORRIS
		N SALMON
		C BAINBRIDGE
		M GRIFFITHS
<u>IN ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>CLERK</u>	I RAILTON
		4 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

APOLOGIES

178. Cllr Jones, Cllr Williams and Cllr Pryce Jones. Cllr Thomas arrived at 19.17.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

179. No comments from the public

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

180. To remind Cllrs that any matters of interest which may arise during the meeting must be declared.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING

181. October Meeting

Comments received; Minute 160 Cllr Morris and other Councillors discuss the importance of compiling a directory as to who is due to do what task e.g. Christmas lights for next year. Clerk confirmed this is being worked on. Minute 162 re memorial shield, Cllr Bainbridge asked Clerk to chase resident on their decision. Minute 173 Cllr A Hughes asked it to be amended to read that the circuit training group are due to be contacted rather than 'have been contacted' by the 2030 group.

Following this, it was resolved to confirm the minutes of the November monthly meeting held on 7th November as being a true record. Proposed by Cllr Thomas and seconded by Cllr Dalton. All members voted in favour.

MATTERS ARISING

182. Clerk showed planning spreadsheet for the upcoming budget. Chair Cllr Hughes reminded Councillors that the budget will be discussed in the January meeting and that any budget ideas should be emailed to the Clerk.

183. Remembrance Sunday wreath invoice now received but cheque of £8000 not given to Hilary yet as was awaiting address (this will be dropped into her straight after the meeting). Also awaiting invoice for lightening conductor and Christmas lights.

CORRESPONDENCE

184. All correspondence from One Voice Wales, Welsh Government and Ceredigion County Council was forwarded to all members prior to the meeting. No issues were raised by members relating to this correspondence. Other correspondence not requiring any action was received from Borth Community Hub.

185. Precept due to reach account on 31/10/2022 amount of £6556 from CCC

186. Memorial Bench/Shield email. Cllr Bainbridge confirmed school would like to get involved. Emailed resident but no response yet. Cllr Bainbridge asked if this could be chased.

ACCOUNTS

187. <u>BALANCE OF ACCOUNTS AT 13TH November 2022</u>	
Nationwide	£25,312.45 (statement not received)
Charitable Bank Acc	£17,327.86
Business No Notice Account	£7,451.30
Deposit Account	£3,830.90
188. <u>INCOME</u>	£6,556.00

189. Expenditure Members resolved to pay the following. Proposed by Cllr Morris and seconded by Cllr Bainbridge. All Voted in favour.

Charitable Bank Account - charges	£ 8.20
I Railton – November Salary	£ 663.65
Heledd Davies – November Minutes Translation	£ 127.75
M E Campbell – Christmas Tree	£235.00
Robert Griffiths Gardening 2022 Season (authorised between meeting, see minute 164 of November Meeting. Resolved to pay as 1 cheque as it has been historically)	£1872.00
Roy Jones Wreaths	£90

190. Clerk and signatories in process for applying for internet banking with HSBC.

PLANNING

A220838

Location: Ynys Wen, High Street, Borth, SY24 5JD

Proposal: Retrospective application for single storey side extension used as storage.

Cllr Morris observed that this extension has been in place for at least 3 years. The dwelling is believed to be on or adjacent to an existing right of way and this is not reflected in section 5 of the Householder Application Form. Prior to the meeting, Clerk has emailed the planning team who responded to say the Public Rights of Way have been consulted on the application and have yet to respond.

Cllr Morris stressed the importance of public rights of way and amongst other reasons, the need for access to the beach should there be an emergency. The right of way is not blocked but concern regarding it not being noted. This will be reiterated on the response from the Council to the planning team.

A220854

Location: Brynhyfryd, Ynyslas, Borth. SY24 5JX

Proposal: Proposed extension to dwelling to include demolition of garage and conservatories

No objections

A220841

Location: Belle Vue, Clarach Road, Borth. SY24 5LP Proposal: Proposed demolition of the existing dwelling and garage/store and their replacement with a new dwelling and workshop.

Cllr Jones had replied via email concerns that the word 'office' could be changed to 'bedroom' within the planning but otherwise no further objections.

Cllr Morris shared admiration of the building it once was but was but was now sadly beginning to show its age. No problems with demolition. No objections.

A220876

Location: Land south of Wigwam, Ynyslas, Borth, SY24 5JX Proposal: Variation/removal of conditions 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 18 & 19 of planning permission A220366 - (Access/visibility splays/verge).

No objections.

COASTAL DEFENCE AND FLOODING

191. Cllr H Hughes gave update as to chasing up ongoing issues in County Councillor capacity. Next stage will be to pursue with Elin Jones. Unhappy with some of the reporting in the Cambrian News article which included phase 3. This will remain as a standing agenda item. Cllr Salmon has received a reply from Annette and sent a follow up email, but no reply received. Cllr Bainbridge received calls from worried residents about safety, a fall in house prices and who were also concerned about their insurance premiums increasing.

Discussion ensued about whether it is wise to speak with reporters. Cllr Salmon asked Council whether anyone had any strong objections if she spoke with a reporter as she has been approached, however, need to be careful with communication.

Chair H Hughes updated and said that 12 months have passed with no response. It was reiterated that there was still no response received from NRW. Phase 3 is still a major problem. Cllr Griffiths commented that a local resident had to go out and sweep away the stones that had come over the top.

Discussion ensued that something needs to be done with immediate effect. During the discussion it was commented that CCC has been very disrespectful, and residents have been treated like rubbish.

Cllr Bainbridge proposed contacting CCC with a letter of real concern and copying in key individuals to try and move this along. Letter will be addressed from Borth CC. Cllr Thomas seconded. All voted in favour. Clerk raised concerns that they didn't have the knowledge of the issue that needed to be involved in such an important letter as new to the role. Cllr Dalton offered to write, and Clerk will then send on behalf of Borth CC.

WALL OPPOSITE PREMIER STORES

192. Email received from CCC solicitors via Huw Bates proposing total cost of works to be £3000. This was presented to Council in advance of meeting.

Discussion ensued asking if this could be a shared cost.

Cllr Morris wanted to remind Councillors of the cost of replacing the coping stones historically.

Cllr H Hughes has spoken briefly with Nigel Humphries who signed the planning application for the wall and is quite sure they didn't own the wall then. He notes that there may be some suggestion that there are minutes from 10th January 1982 which states the then chair, Tom Raw Rees was going to discuss maintenance.

MOP said legally a fence is what was recommended, and Council need to be mindful of spending as land is not legally theirs.

Discussion ensued from various councillors as this had been previous argument.

Cllr A Hughes asked for clarification from Huw Bates as to how the Council stood legally if agreed to the works.

Cllr Salmon noted that the legal advice was especially pessimistic and cautious, and the idea of fencing adds a hazard to a hazard.

It was discussed whether someone local could be hired to do the work but there was a general discussion that this cost might be fair and that if CCC carry out the works, it would be their responsibility to keep it to a good standard.

It was discussed that the Clerk return to Huw Bates and ask whether CCC would be happy to share costs. It is also clear that Borth CC are taking reasonable steps to make the right decision to protect the public whilst being mindful of costings.

It was proposed (Cllr Bainbridge) that if a figure comes back from Huw Bates where they want to share the cost, that this can be agreed amongst the Council via email communication rather than waiting until the meeting in January. Seconded by Cllr Dalton. All voted in favour

COUNCIL WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA

193. Clerk updated that process has started with creating new website. Domain of www.yborthcc.llyw.cymru will be the new website for the Council.

Logo competition up and running but currently no entries. Cllr Bainbridge had feedback from the school that they didn't realise that it was open to school children and amateur artists. Clerk will re post on social media and change to make this clear.

VANDALISM IN BORTH

Cllr A Hughes provided an update on the PACT meeting. Councillors discussed the damage in the village to various properties and public services. Cllr Salmon relayed incident with local persons bike and damage at the community gardens. Re-iterated importance of reporting all incidents to the police.

Clerk to put message on social media for residents to ring 999, 101 or Crime Stoppers

BORTH HEALTH GROUP MEETING UPDATE

194. Cllr Jones not in attendance so no update received.

CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS

195. Cllr H Hughes continues to pursue sea defence issues. A new Ukrainian flag has now been received and added to the promenade.

COUNCILLORS RESPONSIBILITIES

196. Cllr Dalton gave an update on the carpark. It was reported that there was a lot of broken glass in the large carpark opposite Nisa stores which was cleared by Cllr Dalton and the bottle bank had not been emptied. Cllr Dalton reminded that there is a phone number on the side of the bottle bank and the supplier will come and empty. There is a fly tipping issue, and the bins are getting very full very quickly. Clerk to update social media with the details and encourage residents to report if they see the bin full.

Cllr Griffiths said that the keypad has been broken into for the recently refurbished church toilets. It was also asked that we send cards out for Rhian Evans and Margaret Walker. Clerk will do this.

Cllr A Hughes asked if anyone would like to take part in the speed checks. The boat park sign will also be added shortly.

Cllr Bainbridge gave an update on the Citizens Voice Body. There is also a carnival meeting on Wednesday.

Cllr Thomas raised concerns re dead birds in the village and efforts to try and get these collected.

Cllr Salmon reported that litter picking went well. Continued investigations into seagull flaps/new seagull proof bins. Looking into bike racks and placement. Suggested looking at 'plastic free village' status for next year.

COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

197. Sean Bethal from CCC who manages the public toilet is looking to get repaired as quickly as possible. The toilets next to the RNLI are due to be upgraded.

Water butt has been approved in theory however will wait until after the vandalism issue has been resolved.

Meeting coming up with Crime Stoppers.

Meeting coming up with Care and Repair, who help people remain in their homes.

NEXT MEETING MATTERS FOR AGENDA

198. There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.30 hrs. .

Agenda items for the next meeting to be held on January 9th 2022 to include The Budget, Premier Stores Update, Sea Defence and Flooding, Website Update and Borth Health Board Update.

Any other items are to be notified to the Clerk. Clerk will issue a link to the hybrid meeting in advance.