**Seven Sisters Community Council**

**Cyngor Cymuned Blaendulais..**

**Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 3rd June 2024**

Present: Chairman: Mr P Totterdale

 Councillors: Mrs A Bowen, Mr C Davies, Mr E Francis. Mr C Hamer,

Mr L Jenkins, Mr D John, Mrs H Jones and Mrs K Wood

 Clerk: Mrs L Oliver

**1 Apologies for Absence**.

There were apologies from Mr J Davies, Cllr S Hunt and Mrs A Price.

**2 Declarations of Interest**

All CHAOSS members in item 8.

**3 To Receive the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 13th May 2024**

After an alteration, it was RESOLVED the minutes were a true record of the meeting.

**4 Matters Arising**.

There were no matters arising.

**5 To Receive the Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 13th May 2024**

It was RESOLVED the minutes were a true record of the meeting

**6 Appointment to Various Organisations and Responsibilities for the year 2024/5**

Agreement was made to appoint councillors to various committees

**7 Policing Matters**

The Clerk confirmed that the police were not able to attend this meeting or July and she would ask them again for the September meeting.

**8 Community Hall and CHAOSS**

 Mr John said the relief caretakers had withdrawn their resignations.

The Chairman said two filing cabinets were needed for the archive room.

It was agreed hall lighting needed maintenance and the Vice Chairman said grants may be available.

Mrs Bowen said she needed keys for the Friends of Seven Sisters equipment container so that the grass could be mowed.

Cllr Hunt would be asked to arrange for the Friends of Seven Sisters to mow the BMX track.

Mr John said children had smashed concrete at the rear of the hall, which was dangerous, it was agreed CHAOSS would deal with this.

It was proposed by the Vice Chairman, seconded by Mr Francis and agreed that Line Managers would receive information from Staff and pass to the Chairman of CHAOSS.

The Chairman said he would look at procedures and policies held by other councils and would circulate them to councillors prior to the next meeting.

**8a Recreation Ground**

There were no matters to discuss.

**9 Brynbedd Cemetery**

A request had been made to privately sell a cremation plot. Chairman to advise Clerk regarding this.

The Chairman said more information was needed for the rates valuation tribunal, he would send a map and measurements of the various areas. He said if the trees had not been cut down at the top pf the cemetery the water problem would not have been so severe.

The Chairman had been looking at ownership pf the plot at the rear of the cemetery with a view to extending the cemetery when it became necessary.

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**10 EDF Energy re Hirfynydd Windfarm**

The Vice Chairman said the next consultation had been delayed until autumn.

**11 School Crossing Patrol**

Mr Francis said there had been severe backlash when the patrol was cancelled by the borough council. A discussion ensued and it was proposed by Mr Francis, seconded by Mrs Jones and agreed the contract should be 2 hours per day plus SSP.

**12 Meetings attended by Councillors.**

The Vice Chairman and Mr Francis had attended a meeting with the school patrol officer.

Mr Francis had attended a meeting at the Welsh school.

**13 Planning Matters**

There had been no applications.

**14 Correspondence**.

There had been no correspondence.

**15 Clerk’s Report**. Noted.

#  Income £ p

 Cemetery 450.00

# Accounts for payment

C Freeman as per contract

L Oliver as per contract

A Lyndsay as per cpntract

V Watkins as per contract

**16 Unregistered Land in the village and registration with the RLDP.**

There had been no further action.

**17 Renaming the Meeting Room**

The Chairman said he would speak to the choir tomorrow.

**18 Any Other Business**

The Clerk said the annual return etc. was with the internal auditor.

Mrs Bowen said a lady from the council had inspected the hall kitchen and confirmed all was in order.

The Chairman said there was rubbish and knotweed along the railway track, he would contact their helpline and urged others to do the same.

The Chairman said parking at the bottom of Dulais Road was still a problem for passing vehicles.

Mr C Davies said the police dog unit should have seized the dog last Thursday but had not. It had subsequently bitten someone else. The Clerk was asked to contact the PCSO for information.

The Chairman then closed the meeting.

Chairman: P Totterdale Date: 1st July 2024

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