**Minutes of a meeting of Faenor Community Council held in the Comunity Hall, Waunfawr on Monday 21st February 2022 at 7pm**

Present: Cllr G Williams

 Cllr C G B Simpson

 Cllr S Wildig

 Cllr J Wildig

 Cllr H Jones

 Cllr D Tibbit

 Cllr J Roberts

Apologies: Cllr A Evans

Before the meeting started the chairman asked all those present to stand for a moments silence in solemn memory of the late Dr Russell Jones, a local resident of influence who had recently passed.

1. Presentation by Mr Glen Robson, Broadway Partners Broadband

Mr Glen Robson and collegue gave a presentation to members o extol the benefits of supporting their move to get the community support for Broadway Broadband, They answered questions from members before departing. It was RESOLVED to place the matter on the next agenda for discussion as to wether to back the bid for support or not.

1. Disclosures of Interest

 Cllr G Williams- Waunfawr Community Assoc.

1. Confirmation of the minutes

The Minutes of a meeting held in January 2022 had been previously circulated and the chairman asked for confirmation on accuracy. Proposed Cllr C Simpson, seconded Cllr D Tibbitt- It was RESOLVED to accept the minutes as a true record of the meeting subject to the following amendments:

Add- Members had been asked to forward ideas for the council to consider to the Clerk these would be added to the next set of munutes as they had not been recieved during the meeting.

1. Matters Arising
2. The new flagpole had been erected and a new Welsh flag was bieng flown from it.
3. Only one name had been recieved by the Clerk for a new member to be co-opted and that installation would take place at the next meeting.
4. A response had been recieved in relation to the releasing of the bikepark area and CCC notified the Clerk that the re leasing by FCC was one option that CCC were considering.
5. Response had been recieved regarding tree planting and grass cutting from CCC and the Clerk was in possession of a telephone number to move the cutting on once the council had discussed exactly what its requirements were. Trees could only be planted in locations agreed by CCC officers and meetings would need to be held once locations had been identified. Park entrance renovations would need to meet the same protocols. It was agreed to get the soon to be held elections completed before embarking on these exercises.
6. It was reported that the fence area near Cwmpadarn lane had been repaired and was hoped that further improvements would take place in due course.

Responses to the chairmans request for ideas to move the council forward in SMART way were recieved from Cllrs Wildig and were as follows:

“Please see below bullet points covering the points we raised on Monday

1 Engage **fully with residents -**points to be considered:

* Holding 2 open meetings a year
* monthly reports in Yr Angor and Cambrian News
* 6 monthly newsletters to all residents
* Get new and younger members onto the council

**2 Prodding (DELETED) Ceredigion [CC] at highest levels to undertake work they are responsible for in the council's area -targeting:**

* Maintenance work desperately needed on top of Cwmpadarn Lane
* Repairs to estate roads
* Start discussion on a new lease for bike park area

**3   Make Faenor a more attractive place for people to live in-looking at:**

* Creating multifunctional community asset on the former bike park
* Improve management of open spaces-seats/ benches/ flowering shrubs and trees

**4 widening scope of present meetings-look at :**

* Outliers within the patch -meetings are very focussed on Waun, and Commons Coch to a lesser extent. Capel Dewi and other outliers within the patch need to be looked at.

We both feel that there is a need for final agenda item on all council meetings-a short focussed discussion considering whether the meeting has contributed to the council's aims and objectives”

1. A reply relating to CCC road maintainance was read and Cllr J Roberts assured members that he had been told that this was in hand.
2. Planning Matters
3. There was no objection to plans for a replacement classroom at Penglais school- App no A211185 refers.
4. CCC consulted on a name for a new housing development in Commins coch to be called Dan Yr Ysgol. There were no objections to this as long as the Mutation and proper grammer were applied and it was called Tan yr Ysgol. Cllr J Roberts stated that CCC had already been told of this and would comply.
5. Correspondence

There was nothing else received by ‘snail mail’ and all emails had been forwarded to members. A list of correspondence from OVW was compiled by Cllr Simpson for information.

**ONE VOICE WALES E-MAILS since 11th January 2022**

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| 11th January | Training opportunities for January, February & March |
| 17th January | OVW News Bulletin |
| 19th January | Training opportunities for January, February & March (repeat) |
| 25th January | OVW Training opportunities forwarded to Councillors by the clerk |
| 25th January | Invitation to attend online learning events from the *Community Resourcefulness Partnership*. |
| 8th February | Training opportunities for January February & March |
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| 10th February | (Via the clerk) Result of OVW survey of councillors into multi-location meetings |
| 10th February | (Via the clerk) OVW circulated a document prepared by *Natural Resources Wales*: “The Countryside Code – advice for Land Managers” |
| 10th February | (Via the clerk) OVW training opportunities for January, February & March |
| 10th February | (Via the clerk) OVW *Local Places for Nature* officer, Rachel Carter, invited councillors to attend an online meeting: “Tree Planting and Orchards” |
| 10th February | (Via the clerk) OVW circulated information from CAVO (Ceredigion Association of Voluntary Organisations about a series of online and in person celebratory meetings during the month |
| 10th February | (Via the clerk) OVW circulated information about a newly launched Welsh Government Apprenticeships scheme |
| 10th February | (Via the clerk) OVW circulated information about four health-related topics: an opportunity to join the *Care Inspectorate Wales National Advisory Board*, two online conferences and a research project recruiting Welsh-speaking residents in Nursing Homes |
| 15th February | (Via the clerk) Further information about the Apprenticeships scheme |

1. Bills to be paid

Following discussion it was RESOLVED to pay the accounts that the Clerk had presented as well as the following expenses:

Stamps £10.20

Travel £75.60

Printer ink £34.50

Total £120.30

It was noted that there was £19,916.28 in the councils bank.

The Clerk reported that the new accounting package was bieng used and would provide a realtime account of costs and expenditure against budget in the very near future.

The Clerk reported that the required resturns for precept had been returned to CCC.

1. Reports from Outside representation

Cllr Simpson reported that he had attended an online OVW meeting and an interesting report relating to online meeting access had been raised - It was a requirement for all councils in Wales to provide remote access even if they were meeting ‘in the flesh’ and it was suggested that this would prove to be very challenging and expensive- The Clerk was asked to clarify this matter with OVW and report back.

1. Grants

Following discussion it was RESOLVED to make a grant of £3000 to both Waunfawr Community Association and to the Commins Coch and Capel Dewi Residents assoc.