MAESYCWMMER COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Maesycwmmer Community Council held at Maesycwmmer OAP Hall on Tuesday, 27th January 2022 at 7:00 pm.

PRESENT

Councillors: Mr. A. Joynes, Mrs. M. Harries, Miss J. Rao, Mr. C. Williams, Mr. R. Woodyatt.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Mrs. R. Hares (Clerk), Mr D. Earey, Cllr. V. James.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr. D. Cocks, Mrs A. Jones.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

1769. MINUTES

The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting and AGM held on the 25th November 2021 were confirmed as a true record.

1770. ROAD SAFETY, POLICE and COMMUNITY LIAISON

The Police provided a report for the month of December. The report confirmed there had been 6 crimes and 1 anti-social behaviour call, and as usual crime numbers for the village were much lower than surrounding areas.

The recent road traffic collision at the lights on the main road was discussed. Many residents, as well as Cllr James had contacted CCBC regarding the timings of the traffic lights which were felt to be the cause of the crash. CCBC had responded with a generic email which stated that the lights were set to minimise the traffic in the village.

D Earey, pointed out that information regarding road traffic collisions throughout the country showed Maesycwmmer to have a very low accident rate within the last ten years. Considerable discussion ensued and it was agreed that Cllr James would contact CCBC once again and ask them to monitor the traffic at the lights at different times throughout the day.

1771. MATTERS ARISING

Cllr Woodyatt pointed out that the railings around the new slide in the park had been removed.

Discussion regarding the skate park took place. The Clerk relayed an email from CCBC which confirmed the Skate Park contractor had met with the SAB team onsite and held discussions with Welsh Water. The council would be informed when firm conclusions surrounding the drainage issue were established.

The Clerk confirmed she had purchased a MiFi for future meetings if needed.

Everyone agreed that the Christmas lights had looked lovely and the Council had received many comments on how nice they were.

1772. CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk reported that a number of documents had been forwarded to Councillors by email and requested that Councillors contact her if any action was required.

1773. <u>REPORT OF THE CLERK, MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS AND</u> <u>COMMITTEES</u>.

The Clerk informed the meeting that she had contacted Parks Services regarding the loose gym equipment. It was still under warrantee and the contractors were being called out to sort the issue.

The Clerk informed the meeting that she had spoken with Dave Beecham about the upcoming elections and the packs would be ready soon for those who were planning to stand. The deadline for submission was April 5th 2022.

The Clerk requested opinions on the Playscheme being able to run this year. It was agreed that hopefully it would be possible depending upon the changing Covid situation. The Clerk agreed to contact the community centre and the Play Leader.

Cllr Rao reported that she had attended the next One Voice Wales remote meeting and a presentation from the National Lottery Community Fund. The next meeting was due to be held on 27th April 2022.

1774. **FINANCE**

The Clerk produced a report for payments. This was considered and payments approved and signed on the monthly payment schedule. The Clerk reported that the current balance was $\pounds72,501.30$ less CIL funds of $\pounds46,957.00 = \pounds25,544.30$.

The option of online banking was discussed and agreed. Processes to facilitate payment authorisation and reporting were agreed and the forms to apply for the facility were signed by the signatories.

1775. **PLANNING**

A discussion ensued regarding a possible application on the development at Brickworks and the settlement boundaries. Cllr Woodyatt agreed to speak to CCBC and Cllr James on the matter.

Case Ref 22/0003/FULL 44 Gellideg Isaf Rise, Maesycwmmer, CF82 7RB Convert garage into habitable room. Noted.

Case Ref 21/1211/RET 2 Thistle Court, Victoria Road, Fleur-de-Lis, NP12 3UP Retain and complete erection of dwelling. Noted.

Case Ref 21/1168/FULL Danycoed 5 Underwood Avenue, Maesycwmmer, CF82 7PT Partially demolish existing rear garage and erect single storey side an rear extension. Noted.

Case Ref 21/1144/CLPU Clerk Green, 18 Main Road Maesycwmmer, CF82 7RN Obtain a lawful development certificate for proposed 1 no bedroom single storey dwelling. Noted.

Case Ref 21/1146/FULL 46 Park Road, Maesycwmmer, CF82 7QA Demolish existing single storey extension and erect two storey side extension. Noted.

1776. MEMBERS MATTERS

Cllr Woodyatt asked members to start thinking about alternatives for the use of CIL funding and offered some ideas for consideration; air purifiers for each classroom in Maesycwmmer Primary School so that windows wouldn't need to be kept open all the time. Mural painting for the subway, which could possibly tie in with Playscheme, and extending the park with further play equipment. Everyone agreed to give these and other possibilities some thought.

Cllr James informed the meeting that Tabor chapel had been the subject of an enforcement of sale and it was to be put up for auction if required payments to the Council were not made within 3 months.