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TALYBONT ON USK COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Cyngor Cymuned Talybont ar Wysg

MEETING HELD ON 21st October 2019 AT THE HENDERSON HALL, TALYBONT ON USK

ITEM NO	NOTES	ACTION
1	<u>In Attendance</u> Cllrs G. James (Chair), C. Burdon, S. Baldwin, J. Short, D. Newberry(Vice-Chair), C.Parry, Also in attendance County Cllr L Fitzpatrick and Mrs K Bender (Clerk)	
1a	<u>Apologies for absence</u> Cllr. G.Thomas.	
1b	<u>Absent</u> Cllr. R. Jones,	
	<u>Prior to the meeting</u> Condolences were given to Cllr S Baldwin and his Wife for the sad loss of her Mother. A one minute silence was observed in respect for the passing of Past Councillor Edward Morgan who had served on the Community Council for many years and who would be sadly missed. A letter of condolence to be sent to Mrs Morgan and Family	
2	<u>Declarations of Interest</u> Cllr J Short in respect to item 15c- quote from JLStephens Cllr C Burdon in respect of item 5a- dog show	C
3	Minutes of the 16 th September 2019 were accepted as a true record.	

4	<p><u>Matters Arising</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Awaiting a reply from Richard Tyler to the invite for him to attend a future meeting in respect to prior notice given when events take place that impact on the village and its businesses. 2. Correspondence received in response to Cllr Burdon's letter to Simon Crowther, land drainage officer for Powys County Council concerning flooding on the B4558 on the Brecon side of Menascin Bridge. Simon Crowther stated that he had forwarded the concerns to the south central local environmental department at Powys County Council. The Clerk has emailed SCLE for an update on two occasions. Awaiting response. Clerk to contact Powys CC. 3. A letter had been received by a member of the public requesting that the Double Yellow lines are reinstated at canal bridge 142. The letter has been acknowledged by Powys County Council. 4. Request received from Brecon and District disabled Club requesting a donation, it was agreed to donate £200 this year as no donations had been made the previous year. Awaiting bank details. 5. Concerning a noise complaint from a resident, a response had been received from Powys County Council which was passed to County Councillor Fitzpatrick who will discuss with the resident who raised the complaint. 6. Welsh Water had donated £250 to the project which needs to be followed up. 	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
5	<p><u>Correspondence</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Correspondence received from the Talybont-on-Usk Show Committee requesting permission to hold a dog show at the next Talybont-on-Usk Show, this was agreed. 2. Correspondence received concerning the 75th Anniversary of VE DAY on the 8-10 May 2020. The Community Council supported, however it needs to be Community Led, it was agreed to agenda in the new year for further discussions. 	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>

<p>6</p>	<p><u>One Voice Wales</u> One Voice Wales – Conference Report The Chair and Clerk attended the OVW conference on behalf of the Community Council. A report of the conference was shared with those present, which included papers from Tree Charter UK. It was agreed to join Tree Charter UK to enrich the Community Orchard. The chair had also attended the OVW regional meeting and gave a report of the meeting. It was agreed to host a regional meeting in 2020, need to look into future meeting dates.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
<p>7</p>	<p><u>Canal Matters</u> Cllr. Burdon gave a report on the Canal Matters.</p> <p>A new Dog Bin had been installed opposite the lime kiln near bridge 142. Regarding the grass and hedge cutting on the tow path, the contractors cut to specifications and provide 5 towpath cuts per year and 1 full width cut. Locks and Moorings are cut 9 times per year. However the River Trust acknowledge there have been complaints and will review the grass cutting specifications. The contractors have confirmed the tree opposite the post office forms part of their winter works. Kevin Phillips our contact in the River Trust has decided to leave after 37 years’ service, Councilor Burdon has passed the Community Councils kind regards and best wishes to Mr Phillips.</p>	
<p>8</p>	<p><u>Policy Review</u></p> <p><u>Standing Orders</u> After a lengthy and thorough discussion, it was agreed to adopt the NALC Model Standing Orders 2018 and insert the Community Councils agreed own figures where necessary. With a copy placed on the website.</p> <p><u>Financial Regulations</u> After a lengthy and thorough discussion, it was agreed to adopt the One Voice Wales Model Financial Regulations 2019 and insert the Community Councils agreed own figures where necessary. With a copy placed on the website.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>

9	<p><u>County Councillors Report</u></p> <p>Councillor Fitzpatrick reported a 5% minimum rise in council tax was being discussed but it may be as high as 7.5%, this was due to Education Portfolio issues.</p> <p>This winter there would be a reduction in gritting.</p> <p>Powys County Council had given a loan of £5million to Cheltenham Borough Council.</p> <p>Llandetty Hall Farm was experiencing problems with accessing WIFI and had put up a Satellite which did not require planning permission, it is hoped the problem will be resolved.</p>	
10	<p><u>Llandetty Young Peoples Fund</u></p> <p>Discussions around the Terms of Reference and gaining clarity of the Fund Covenant are ongoing.</p>	Cllr Baldwin
11	<p><u>Highway Matters</u></p> <p>a) Highways Department had been contacted to report that the surface of the draw bridge was breaking up, waiting for highways to confirm if its their responsibility or the River Trust. Cllr Fitzpatrick to take up with the Highways Department.</p> <p>b) A letter was sent to PCC Highways Department requesting that hedge trimming on the B4558 between Talybont and Llangynidr be brought forward as the road is used to access the Green Man Festival and the Llangynidr Show. Correspondence is ongoing, the clerk is seeking clarification.</p>	Cllr Fitzpatrick Clerk
12	<p><u>Caretaker Responsibilities</u></p> <p>No decision required on caretaker responsibilities.</p> <p>This item will be discussed under Community Assets at the next meeting.</p>	Cllr Thomas
13	<p><u>Applications for Planning Consent One Voice Wales</u></p> <p>19/17886/FUL – Malt House, Talybont-on-Usk Village. Extensions and alterations to existing main house. It was proposed, seconded and unanimously supported to lodge an objection to this planning application. Clerk to lodge objection.</p> <p>19/17858/FUL- Ty Newydd Farm, Scethrog. External and internal renovations to the farm. No objections raised</p>	Clerk

	<p>19/17936/FUL – Ty Canol Farm Llangynidre, Talybont-on-Usk. Installation of a 15m telecommunications column, together with a 3m wide access track on land at Ty Canol Farm.</p> <p>It was proposed, seconded and unanimously supported to lodge an objection to this planning application. Clerk to lodge objection.</p>	Clerk
14	<p><u>Councillor Vacancy</u></p> <p>Following the resignation from Cllr Eardley, which was reluctantly accepted, Cllr Eardley had been a loyal servant to the Community Council. The legal notice had been posted in the public domain to call for the appointment of a Co-opted Councillor, no objections had been received.</p> <p>The next step in the process is to advertise for a Co-opted Councillor. Clerk to advertise.</p>	Clerk
15	<p><u>Community Council Assets</u></p> <p>a. Play Equipment- Ongoing weekly checks, nothing to report</p> <p>b. Table Tennis Table - Awaiting a quote from Steve Morris to clear the area as part of the maintenance contract.</p> <p>c. Solid Base for Picnic Tables -Quote received and accepted from JL Stephens Ltd.</p>	
16	<p><u>Finance</u></p> <p>a. Audit- The external auditor has requested supplementary information before the final report can be given.</p> <p>b. VAT update- A VAT claim for £ 2490.28 had been received.</p> <p>c. Current Financial position was reported to the meeting.</p> <p>d. Invoices approved –</p> <p>Bobbins- Printing Talybont Matters</p> <p>One Voice Wales- Conference Fees</p> <p>One Voice Wales- Training Fees</p> <p>Steve Morris- Grass Cutting</p>	
	<p><u>Next Meeting</u></p> <p>Date of the next meeting 18th November 2019 at 7.15pm at Henderson Hall.</p>	