**TALYBONT ON USK COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Cyngor Cymuned Talybont ar Wysg**

**MEETING HELD ON 20th September 2021**

**The meeting was held via Zoom commencing at 7.15pm**

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| **ITEM NO** | **NOTES** | **ACTION** |
| **1** | **In Attendance**  Cllrs. C Burdon( Chair), R Jones ( Vice-Chair),  F Morris, G Thomas, D Newberry, J Short, S Baldwin C Parry and G James.  Also, in attendance County Cllr. L Fitzpatrick and Mrs. K Bender (Clerk) |  |
| **1a** | **Apologies for absence**  None |  |
| **2** | **Declarations of Interest**  None |  |
| **3** | Minutes of the 19th July 2021 were accepted as a true record. |  |
| **4** | **Matters Arising**   1. Cllrs. James and Short have removed the Bucket Swing and it is under repair. 2. Resident Only No Parking Sign. To attach the sign to the lamp post needs a special tool at a cost of £200. Chair to contact Street Lighting at PCC for assistance. 3. The next Community Council meeting to be held at Henderson Hall with Zoom facilities allowing the meeting to be recorded. This will enable members of the public to attend virtually who feel uncomfortable attending a face-to-face meeting. This will also meet one of the requirements from Welsh Audit to ensure an unqualified audit. | Chair |
| **5** | **Correspondence**  **a.** Green Connections Powys. Circulated and noted. Linda Windham had attended; Cllr Baldwin will request a report from her to circulate prior to the next meeting. | Cllr Baldwin |
| **6** | **National Parks Authority Matters**  A response from National Parks to a letter sent to them by a resident concerning planning permission granted for a campsite at the Outdoor Pursuits Center, stating the Authority had not issued any planning permission however it had issued a Certificate of Lawfulness.  Enforcement Complaint ENF/20/02145/ODP3 lodged by TOUCC has concluded that no action to be taken and the file is now closed. The Chair stated that it is on record that the Community Council pursued this issue on behalf of the Community.  Update on Outdoor Pursuit Centre at Station Road National Parks are waiting on the Community Council to make comments on the redacted statements regarding the Certificate of Lawfulness. The Chair to compose a draft response and circulate to all for comments and pass to the Clerk to respond. | Chair/Clerk |
| **7** | **Canal Matters**  Overgrowth at the Draw Bridge junction has been addressed by Highways PCC along with relining the double yellow and give way sign.  Dog poo bin at Tow bridge need repairing , and the large wood logs have still not been removed by Bridge 143.  Brambles and overgrowth have become a serious issue along the stretch of the canal from Talybont to Pencelli. A member of the public has been quite poorly from being stung from nettles along the towpath. Clerk to inform Hannah Booth | Clerk |
| **8** | **Highway Matters**  Mobile Speed Units  A meeting had taken place with Jo Lancey of the Highways Department who has agreed with the four sites proposed by the Communty Council for the Mobile Speeds Units to be sited. Need to progress with Lyn Parry.  TWM to be contacted to purchase two units.  Royal Oak Pencelli  Concerns have been raised on the safety of people queuing on the road outside the Pub to be served drinks.  Cllrs. Baldwin and Fitzpatrick have previously raised their concerns with the Landlord  .  Street Cleaning.  Many thanks to Cllr. Fitzpatrick for pursuing the Street Cleaning team.  It is appreciated that the Street Cleaning Crew had carried out the street clean. | Chair  Clerk |
| **9** | **County Councillors Report**  The Royal Oak – There is a safety risk to the public for people to queue on the road outside the pub to be served drinks. It does not seem necessary anymore for a pub to serve people from the street.  Cllr Fitzpatrick to raise with the PCO Billy Dunne  The County Councillor believes the National Parks have treated the Community Council appallingly and suggests a face-to-face meeting with officers be arranged to deal with the issue of the Certificate of Lawfulness. Cllr Fitzpatrick to request a meeting with the new CEO and the solicitors of the National Parks.  Due to the increase in Covid numbers Powys County Council have evoked its emergency procedures. | Cllr Fitzpatrick  Cllr Fitzpatrick |
| **10** | **Applicatins for Planning Consent**  20/19174/FUL-Malt House -Decision Notice, Permission Granted- Noted  21/20226FUL – Ty-Newydd, Llanfrynach. Circulated and Noted  21/20204/FUL – 14,Maesmawr Close. Circulated and Noted. |  |
| **11** | **Cardboard Recycling**  Cllr James stated there has been a massive increase in the need for cardboard recycling resulting from online deliveries. There are two cardboard recycling banks situated at Llangynidr where there are no cardboard banks situated at Talybont. Clerk to contact Powys County Council to request a cardboard recycling bank be reinstated at Henderson Hall. County Councillor to also pursue this issue. | Clerk  Cllr Fitzpatrick |
| **12** | **Community Council Assets**   1. Play equipment – Updated Rota has been circulated; all reports were completed; a question was asked when the swings could be taken down. Clerk to contact PAVO for advice. 2. Playground Inspection. Wicksteed forwarded its report following its annual inspection. There were no high risks identified, the moderate risks to be addressed and the low and very low risks noted. Of the medium risks, signage to be looked into by Cllrs Baldwin and Thomas, and the fence poles that need replacing will be actioned by the Chair. 3. Caretaker has asked if the weeds behind the tennis courts can be sprayed, clerk to contact Steve Morris 4. Flooding Insurance Update. There has not been a response to two further requests for an update from the loss adjuster. Clerk to contact PCC. 5. Wildflowers and Grass Cutting. Linda Windham has stated the area around the trees at the playground must not be cut. Need to reaffirm if the area around the picnic tables need a higher cut. Steve Morris to be contacted. It was also noted that that Steve Morris had taken great care and adapted well to the areas where the wildflowers had been planted and to also thank him for the first-class job carried out on the grass cutting. Replacement trees to be planted in November. | Clerk  Cllrs Baldwin, Burdon and Thomas  Clerk  Clerk  Clerk |
| **13** | **Finance**  **a.** Current Financial Position  Financial position was reported to the meeting.  **b**. Budget Update  Deferred to October meeting.  **c.** Invoices and payments for approval  There were no invoices to consider |  |

**Date of next meeting 18th October at 7.15pm Hybrid meeting at Henderson Hall**