**TALYBONT ON USK COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Cyngor Cymuned Talybont ar Wysg**

**MEETING HELD ON 17th August 2020**

**In Henderson Hall 7.15 pm**

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| **ITEM NO** | **NOTES** | **ACTION** |
| **1** | **In Attendance**  Cllrs. G James (Chair), C Burdon,  F Morris, C Parry, G Thomas, S Baldwin and R Jones, J Short.  Also in attendance County Cllr. L Fitzpatrick and Mrs. K Bender (Clerk) |  |
| **1a** | **Apologies for absence**  Cllr D Newberry |  |
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| **2** | **Declarations of Interest**  None |  |
| **3** | Minutes of the 20th July 2020 were accepted as a true record. |  |
| **4** | **Matters Arising**   1. Awaiting a response from Lyn Parry of Highways department concerning a Cross Oaks resident request for signs to identify the Hamlet of Cross Oaks. It has been established that Cross Oaks is shown on the ordinance survey maps. 2. No Further correspondence had been received from the National Parks in reference to the Community Councils request to call in planning application 19/17936 FUL. Clerk to contact National Parks Planning Department for an update. 3. An invite has been sent to Beverley Lewis of the National Parks asking her to a Community Council meeting to discuss invasive non-native species, awaiting a response. | Clerk |
| **5** | **Correspondence**   1. Robert Reith of the National Trust forwarded a list of events scheduled which will impact on the village. A trail event on the 10th October with 500 competitors and an event on the 14th November with 120 competitors. The community council were concerned at the numbers taking part in the first event .Clerk to seek more information on the event organisor. 2. Lea Blake- Alzheimer’s Society Trek 26 Event. This event has been signed off by Powys County Council and Dyfed Police. A risk assessment and safety plan has been forwarded to the Community Council along with the fee for using the Hall Grounds. 3. Powys County Council Road Closure notices. Road closure at Talybont 10/10/20 to examine disused rail bridge and B4558 road closure for resurfacing 17th-21st August. NOTED 4. Sandra Briskham- 2 letters concerning litter pick, one requesting permissions and the other an update on the completed litter pick. NOTED The Community Council are always happy to support this very worthwhile activity. | Clerk |
| **6** | **National Parks Authority Matters**  a. The Enforcement complaint 20/20145/ODP3 registered with Brecon Beacons National Parks is still under investigation, awaiting official report.  b. Clerk to follow up with Ann Weedy of Natural Resources Wales the issue of rubbish and plastics in the Coity Bach Brook resulting in blocked culverts . | Clerk |
| **7** | **Canal Matters**  A resident of Talybont Village has written to Hanna Booth of the Canal River Trust with concerns that the tow path is not wheelchair friendly with the access blocked off at the White Hart and it is very difficult to negotiate at the drawbridge. She responded that she was disappointed to hear the access ramp at the White Hart has been closed off as there is an agreement in place for access. She will investigate. The Community Council supports the residents’ concerns and will also write to the Canal River Trust.  Cllr Fitzpatrick has emailed both CEOs of the RailRoads and Canal Trust in connection with flooding issues affecting the White Hart as this is not Powys County Councils responsibility. Awaiting response. Cllr Fitzpatrick will pass on the CEOs contact details to the Clerk for the Community Council to also pursue. | Clerk  Cllr Fitzpatrick  and Clerk |
| **8** | **County Councillors Report**  Cllr Fitzpztrick reported that County Councillors had voted for a pay rise which he did not support and will donate his pay rise to the community. He also reported that culverts at Cross Oaks were causing problems and the Talybont drawbridge surface was in disrepair, he is working with Lyn Parry of the Highways Department to arrive at a solution. |  |
| **9** | **Highway Matters**  **a.** Still awaiting a response from Highways Department concerning Ash Dieback in trees on Station Road. Need to contact Lyn Parry of Highways Department.  **b.** A site meeting has been arranged with Jo Lancey to look at traffic calming measures and other related highway matters for the 27th August. Cllrs Baldwin and Fitzpatrick to meet at Pencelli then travel to Talybont Village where all available Councillors will join them. | Clerk |
| **10** | **Applications for Planning Consent**  Application 20/18596/FUL- Cui Lodge has been withdraw.  Application 20/18844/FUL- 3,Troed-y-Bryn Pencelli, construction of 2 storey side extention e and 20/18848/FUL- Buckland Hall Restoration,were both discussed with no objections raised.  Application 20/18857/FUL- Baileys Barn- Proposed Goat Closure, following a discussion it was agreed that two comments be forwarded for consideration. 1. Concerning whether the finish to the corrugated roof  would reflect the sun.  2. Confirmation of the drainage methodology that would be employed. |  |
| **11** | **Littering at the Reservoir**  It was reported that large amounts of litter had been left at the Reservoir due in the main to a vast increase in wild camping. Following a discussion, it was agreed to contact the National Park Wardens, Clerk to contact. In the interim Cllr Burden would contact Lyn Parry of the highways department to request a litter bin sited at the reservoir. | Clerk  Cllr Burden |
| **12** | **Community Council Assets**  **a.** Play and picnic area bins. Following the reopening of the play area it was reported that the bins were being filled very quickly, despite a sign instructing the public that eating and drinking in the play park was not allowed.  An extra bin to be purchased for the picnic area and contact the caretaker to request the bins be emptied more often until the holiday season was over.  **b.** Molehills have resurfaced in the field Clerk to contact M&K Mole Patrol. | Clerk      Clerk |
| **13** | **Finance**  a.  **V**AT update- Latest claim for a VAT refund has been made with no claims outstanding.  b. Current Financial Position  Financial position was reported to the meeting.  c. Invoices and payments for approval –. Pavo, Tallybont Matters, Clerk expenses. All approved |  |
| **14** | **AGM**  The AGM will take place in November, the Clerk to forward the process of electing officers, representatives to outside bodies and committee members, for discussion at the September meeting | Clerk |

Date of next meeting 21st September 2020 in Henderson Hall