

**TALYBONT ON USK COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**Cyngor Cymuned Talybont ar Wysg**

**MEETING HELD ON 15th October 2018 AT THE HENDERSON HALL,  
TALYBONT ON USK**

ITEM NO	NOTES	ACTION
1	<p><b><u>Apologies for absence</u></b></p> <p>Apologies were received from Cllrs Eardley, Jones and Parry</p>	<b>Noted</b>
2	<p><b><u>Declarations of Interest</u></b></p> <p>None</p>	<b>Noted</b>
3	<p><b><u>Approval of last month's minutes</u></b></p> <p>Unable to approve due to absence of Cllrs.</p>	<b>Noted</b>
4	<p><b><u>Matters Arising</u></b></p> <p>No response from Billy Dunn. Cllr Baldwin requested delayed until January meeting as he has someone in mind to invite to the next meeting. Cllr Baldwin to provide contact details to clerk in order to send formal invitation to next meeting - Hannah Jarvis to be invited. In charge of research project on the effect of outdoor education on young stroke victims.</p> <p>Ben Mullen/Bonfire Night Meeting - Issues regarding full info being provided re the preparations for the evening, turf cutters etc. Email has only been sent through to Craig and not to any of the other Cllrs. Cllr James advised that the cricket club would be happy to assist if possible. Concerns over the proposed plans regarding lifting/cutting of turf. Cllr Baldwin to email Ben Mullen to advise that no email correspondence received as yet and to attempt to resolve.</p> <p>Request Cllr Eardley to run through on the operation</p>	<b>Clerk/Cllr Baldwin/Cllr Eardley</b>

	<p>of the screen at next meeting. Chase up mole contractor attendance as not yet attended.</p>	
5	<p><b><u>Community Orchard Update</u></b> Public liability insurance - Cllr Baldwin read out the email received from Came and Company. Should this go forward an inspection (visual and basic) will be required on a weekly basis. If Cllrs are happy with this then Cllr Baldwin will contact OVW.</p>	Cllr Baldwin
6	<p><b><u>Henry Vaughan Garden</u></b> Cllr Baldwin confirmed that the cubs had been involved with laying the topsoil last week (confirm date) and this was followed up by himself.</p>	Noted
7	<p><b><u>Joint Council Meeting</u></b> Agenda suggestions to be emailed to clerk for collation.</p>	Clerk/Cllrs
8	<p>Suggestions of highways, speed limits, verges, showcase of the Orchard walk/Henry Vaughan (positive community initiatives).</p> <p><b><u>Canal Issues</u></b> Signs have been up for at least a week, advising of the forthcoming closure. Cllr Thomas wanted to note that the attempts to notify residents of works (all residents written to personally) have been very impressive and well conducted and express his thanks. Cllr Baldwin advised waiting until completion to pass on these thanks.</p>	Noted
9	<p><b><u>Signage</u></b> Cllr Thomas meeting next week for discussions on signage for carpark and toilets and what village is entitled to. In hand/progress but not as yet resolved</p>	Cllr Thomas
10	<p><b><u>Lottery Grant</u></b> The flat roof on the hall in poor condition already. Issue is with the product used to lay the roof rather than the contractors. Currently in the hand's of the architect/project manager. This may need to be repaired/claimed under the companie's insurance. Tennis Court Refurb - Identified majority of extra money that will be required. Went through due dilligence and sought 3 quotes. Consultation meeting were held in the hall. Original preferred contractor then sent manager to visit and advised that actually</p>	Cllr Thomas

	<p>they would be unable to complete the works/project. Returned to original contractors and in addition another contractor from Pontypool so awaiting quotes and info from these visits.</p>	
11	<p>Navy have offered to remove all fencing. Group lined up to clear the trees. Western Power have been approached re an issue with the electric lines and are happy for works to proceed. Table tennis table has been priced up as part of this project.</p>	<p><b>All/Noted</b></p>
12	<p>Cllr James queried for an update on storage - storage will be a wooden clad container on left hand side looking up the field, all clubs will have access to this. The aim is to start works prior to Christmas, weather permitting.</p>	<p><b>Noted/Clerk</b></p>
	<p><b><u>IRPW Report</u></b></p>	
	<p>Clerk to check with outgoing clerk re any members of the council claiming the 150.00/500.00 this year and whether or not they wish to accept.</p>	
	<p><b><u>Assets</u></b></p>	
13	<p>Play equipment maintenance. Mr Smith queried the status regarding the broken fence. He advised that he requests any people he encounters walking dogs in the playground to go elsewhere. Cllr Thomas advised that he saw the contractors last week and questioned if any report received. Mr Smith also raised the issue of people from camper vans dumping rubbish in bins but stated that this was mainly a summer issue and appears to have ceased over the winter period. However he did query if there were any plans to replace the bin with a larger capacity model. It was decided that this was not necessary. Clerk to check records to see date of the annual inspection for insurance purposes and check when this takes place and/or to see if outgoing clerk has received a report.</p>	<p><b>Noted/Clerk</b></p>
14	<p>New rota to be created along with new checksheet for play park maintenance and circulate to cllrs. Mr Smith to send copy of check sheet to clerk.</p>	<p><b>Noted/Cllr Thomas</b></p>
	<p><b><u>Charges for hire of playing field</u></b></p>	
15	<p>Cllr James was against this as he said that applications should be judged on their individual merits/cases eg - impact on community, size of event, purpose of event, funds available. All other Cllrs were in agreement to leave as is and that a schedule of rates will not be provided.</p>	
	<p><b>Meeting with hall committee on 28th November - Cllrs agreed this following the November Meeting</b></p>	<p><b>Clerk</b></p>

<p>16</p> <p>17</p> <p>18</p> <p>19</p>	<p><b><u>Dogs on playing field</u></b>  Cllr Baldwin had discussed with Gareth but there was no immediate solution apparent and it was difficult to resolve the discrepancy between allowing dogs on during the show and not allowing on a daily basis. Cllr Baldwin suggested that the post show clean up should include any mess generated by dogs. Cllr Thomas advised that he believes at least 7 signs are required and that he personally received abuse when asking people to desist from walking dogs in area. Cllr Thomas to seek quote for signs, potentially metal to ensure longer lasting.</p> <p><b><u>Highway Matters</u></b>  Still awaiting progress on station road speeding limit. Bump on the bridge is getting worse Cllr Newberry is still awaiting a meet with Cllr Fitzpatrick. Clerk to contact Cllr Liam Fitzpatrick to discuss what progress there is on the Station road speed limit and yellow lines (Jo Lancy) and the state of bridge ramp (Lynn Parry) on the south side over the river. Flooding of road by Beacons Cottages now appears to have been resolved.</p> <p>Cllr Thomas requested that we write to Simon Harper regarding tree safety on the embankment adjoining station road, also mentioning that the trees had come down and damaged telephone lines. Clerk to action.</p> <p>Cllr Thomas reiterated again the concerns and issues regarding the anomolous amount of cash currently sitting in the reserve account. Clerk and Cllrs had a pre-meeting to try to get to the bottom of the issue. Clerk to investigate via account records.</p> <p>Thoughts on next year's budget  Date to be set for a pre-meeting. <b>Cllr Burdon proposed 22nd October 2018 at 19.00.</b> Clerk to source templates and send to Chair.</p> <p><b><u>AOB</u></b>  Cllr James is now online  <b>DoE candidate made a request to clear the BMX area as part of his DoE requirements Cllr Burdon advised there may be an insurance issue. Cllr Baldwin to find more info re who will accompany him and will there be an adult with him</b></p> <p><b><u>Approval of invoices</u></b>  Invoice submitted by Steve Morris for lawn</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
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	<p>maintenance for 1380.00 + VAT 276.00</p> <p>Cllr Burdon proposed payment of invoice authorised. This was seconded by Cllr James.</p> <p><b><u>Date of next meeting</u></b> November 19th - 19.00</p>	
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