**TALYBONT ON USK COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Cyngor Cymuned Talybont ar Wysg**

**MEETING HELD ON 15th November 2021**

**The meeting was held at Henderson Hall and 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),  G Thomas, D Newberry, J Short, S Baldwin and C Parry.  Also, in attendance Mrs. K Bender (Clerk) |  |
| **1a** | **Apologies for absence**  Community Councillors F.Morris and G.James  County Councillor L.Fitzpatrick |  |
| **2** | **Declarations of Interest**  None |  |
| **3** | Minutes of the 18th October 2021 were accepted as a true record. |  |
| **4** | **Matters Arising**   1. The Bucket Swing has been repaired and will be installed by Cllrs. James and Short. Carousel also needs to be greases 2. It was agreed to attach the Resident Only Parking Sign to a lamp post in Canol Pentre. Due to the size of the lamp posts in Penpentre another sign will be sourced with larger brackets . 3. Linda Windham report on Green Connections Powys had been received and was very informative and thorough. Councillors expressed their thanks for the report. 4. Outdoor Events, event organisers have ensured the Community Council that we will be informed of any future events that may impact on the Village. | Cllrs. James/Short  Chair |
| **5** | **Correspondence**  Precept Setting Request  Email received from Powys County Council. The precept request must be lodged by 31st January 2022.  The Finance Committee have arranged to meet to discuss the budget in Henderson Hall on the 22nd November at 7pm. | Finance Committee |
| **6** | **National Parks Authority Matters**  Outdoor Pursuits Centre -Station Road.  Cllrs Burdon, Thomas, Fitzpatrick and the Clerk attended a remote meeting with the National Parks Senior Officers and the Chair of the BBNP Board.  The outcome was extremely disappointing with the National Parks refusing to share the information on the legal advice received from their Solicitors that they had received concerning the issuing of the Certificate of Lawfulness.    They also said that all of the objections received were not included in any of their deliberations or taken into account as they were not presented in the correct format, neither was the Community Councils response on the redacted statement, requested by BBNP of the Community Council taken into account. BBNP they needed to be in the form of a signed statutory declaration.  The Community Council has received an email from BBNP prior to this meeting asking if the Community Council wishes to submit statutory declaration regarding the Certificate of Lawfulness previously issued.  The Community Council now needs to assess its own position, an in-depth discussion then took place resulting with the decision that the Community Council will seek its own legal advice, and will also contact an independent planning advisor who specialises in planning disputes of this nature for advice.  The Clerk will respond to the BBNP stating that the Community Council will be submitting statutory declarations subject to advice received.  Cllr Baldwin reported that Rhys Powel has taken over the area as BBNP warden, replacing kissing gates and replacing styles with gates, this work has been appreciated. | Clerk  Clerk |
| **7** | **Canal Matters**  Response received from Hannah Booth concerning outstanding issues previously raised, the Chair took the meeting through the responses.  The hole in Bridge 143 has become larger and is considered to be in a dangerous condition.  Awaiting a response.  Flooding Incident December 2020.  The Clerk has written to Hannah Booth outlying the situation that PCC had stated they were not responsible for the insurance claim and that the River Trust should be contacted as the landowner.  This matter has been passed to the River Trust Adjusters, Lisa Hicks. Awaiting a response. |  |
| 8 | **Highway Matters**  Mobile Speed Units  One of the two units has been received. Clerk to contact Lyn Parry to establish when the units can be installed.  Concerning improvements to the speed limits entering the village along Station Road, Jo lancey has stated that this issue does not have a high enough priority to be actioned and advised the Community Council that it could address this situation itself at a cost of £3303. Community Council will monitor the outcome of the Mobile Speed Units before further decisions are made.  It has been reported there is a need for a light at the junction at the crossroads on Station Road close to the garage as this has been identified as a safety issue, Clerk to contact Highways Department.    The Chair reported that the Landlord of the White Hart has organised a meeting with the MP, Faye Jones, to raise his concerns around the Canal River Trust, and Highways on outstanding matters and has requested the Chair attends the meeting on the 19th November which he has agreed to do. | Clerk  Clerk |
| **9** | **County Councillors Report**  No report received. |  |
| **10** | **Applicatins for Planning Consent**  21/20461/CON – Extend planning permission for further 5 years- Buckland Hall- Noted  21/20417/FUL – Abercynafon Lodge – Extention to kitchen- Noted .  The above applications were noted with no objections raised. |  |
| **11** | **Community Council Assets**   1. Play equipment – All Councillors and the Caretaker have carried out their inspections and forwarded their reports. Tennis courts winding mechanisms and nets are in need of attention, going forward a working group will address any issues raised. 2. Cllrs Baldwin and Thomas conducted an audit around the signage issues raised in the Wicksteed Inspection Report, with a number of signs identified that needed additional text. Cllr Parry to look into new signage. It was also agreed to dismantle and dispose of the outdoor goal and games wall. 3. Flood Lighting at the MUGA- Cllr Morris has carried out research on the type of floodlighting in the marketplace identifying the pros and cons of fixed and portable units. Following a discussion, it was agreed to purchase fixed units. A funding opportunity has been identified; Cllr Thomas has contacted Claire Wright and Ceri Bevan who are happy to assist with the application. 4. The Chair stated the Community Council purchased a people counter with an infrared beam and asked where it was, Cllr Thomas will ask Ceri Bevan if she knows where it was kept. | Cllr Thomas  Cllr Parry  Cllr Short    Cllr Thomas  Cllr Thomas |
| **12** | **Finance**  **a.** Current Financial Position  Financial position was reported to the meeting.    **b.** Invoices and payments for approval  Steve Morris – Grass Cutting - £2232.00  Henderson Hall Annual Grant - £1200.00  Both payments were approved. |  |
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**Date of next meeting 17th January 7.15pm Hybrid meeting at Henderson Hall**