**TALYBONT ON USK COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Cyngor Cymuned Talybont ar Wysg**

**MEETING HELD ON 19th July 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, C Parry and  G James.  Also, in attendance County Cllr. L Fitzpatrick and Mrs. K Bender (Clerk) |  |
| **1a** | **Apologies for absence**  Cllrs. J Short and S.Baldwin. |  |
| **2** | **Declarations of Interest**  None |  |
| **3** | Minutes of the 21st June 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 be displayed at entrance to Penpentre has been purchased and arrangements to be made to attach to a post. 3. Agenda Flooding Issues for next meeting. | Chair    Clerk |
| **5** | **Correspondence**  **a.** Request to use the field for gazebo and bouncy castle on 31st July 2021. Granted.  **b.** Second Homes, developing new policies for Wales by Dr Simon Brookes. The report highlighted the impact on second home ownership in Wales . The Chair encouraged all Councillors to read the report, of the Councillors who had already read the report they said it was a very interesting and revealing report.  c. An Email received from a resident informing Councilors of a theft of large plant pots and plants from outside their home, it was also reported at the meeting that there were other incidents on the same weekend .- Noted | Clerk |
| **6** | **National Parks Authority Matters**  Update on Outdoor Pursuit Centre at Station Road. The Authorities solicitors report has been received which needs to be examined by the Authorities Monitoring Officer, the County Councillor has been assured it will be treated as a high priority. Councillor Fitzpatrick will arrange a meeting with the Authority and Community Councillors to go through the report as soon as the Monitoring Officer had concluded its findings. | Cllr. Fitzpatrick |
| **7** | **Canal Matters**  The footpaths are difficult to navigate as they are extremely overgrown with nettles and brambles, Clerk to contact Hanna Booth of the Canal and River Trust. | Clerk |
| **8** | **Highway Matters**  Mobile Speed Units  The site meeting arranged with Jo Lancey of the Highways Department was postponed as the officer was self-isolating, to be re-arranged.  Cllr James to be included in the meeting  Street Cleaning.  There is a requirement for a road sweeper in Talybont Village as the area has not had the benefit of a road sweeper for some time. Lyn Parry of Highways has agreed with the Chair to engage a street cleaning team to clean the village. |  |
| **9** | **County Councillors Report**  Cllr Fitzpatrick reported there had been a dramatic increase in crime not only in the Talybont area but throughout Powys. The Crime Commissioner and Powys Police are in discussions around the issue.  There has been an increase in Fly Camping, Councillor Fitzpatrick has been in discussions with the National Parks to raise awareness of the situation.  Clerk to contact Mark Everet of Welsh Water and Sam Ridge, Warden at Brecon Beacons National Parks appraising them of the situation and to ask for them to collaborate to minimize the negative effects of Fly Camping.  The County Council Vermin Teams are being reinstated in the near future for residents to access the service free of charge. This was welcomed by all Community Councillors | Cllr Fitzpatrick  Clerk |
| **10** | **Applicatins for Planning Consent**  21/20027/FUL- Aber Farm – siting of 3 Shepherds Huts. This was a retrospective application. There was no objection.  20/19275/FUL and 20/19276/LBC - Decision Notice- Buckland Hall – Permissions granted- Noted |  |
| **11** | **One Voice Wales- regional meeting report**  The Chair gave the report.  At the AGM, all previous officers were re-elected.  OVW intends to employ a Lengths man for highways work to look at contractors who work on highways issues.  Looking at a vegetable scheme where excess vegetables could be redistributed to those in need.  The introduction of Youth Councils to be pursued.  The provision of hybrid meetings is now a requirement of Welsh Government, failure to provide them will result in a Qualified Audit.  The SILCA qualifications for Clerks was discussed.  The next meeting to be held in Strand Hall Builth Wells where the Leader of Powys County Council will address the meeting. |  |
| **12** | **Community Council Assets**   1. Play equipment – All reports were completed, up to date and shared with the meeting. Cllr Parry has forwarded the new Rota, clerk to populate and circulate to Councillors. 2. Playground Inspection Quotes. Quotes had been received from Playdale and Wicksteed to carry out its annual inspection. Following a discussion, it was agreed to instruct Wicksteed to carry out the inspection. | Clerk  Clerk |
| **13** | **Finance**  **a.** Current Financial Position  Financial position was reported to the meeting.  **b.** Invoices and payments for approval –  JL Stephens – Community Phone £12  Safety Signs –Residents only parking sign £25.80  All were approved. |  |

**Date of next meeting 20th September at 7.15pm Venue to be decided**