MINUTES OF THE CYFFYLLIOG COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 17TH JANUARY 2022 VIA ZOOM CONFERENCE AT 7.30 P.M.

1: PRESENT:-

Councillors Cheow-Lay Wee (Chairman), Emrys Williams, Eifion Jones, Richard Heginbotham, Philip Williams, Aled Rees, Gethin Jones, Denbighshire County Councillor Joseph Welch and the Clerk.

2. APOLOGIES:-

Councillor Huw Jones.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:-

None received.

4. CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING.

Members confirmed 8th November 2021 minutes as a true record.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA.

Denbighshire County Council has granted planning permission on planning application 14/2021/1057 - Erection of extensions and alterations to dwelling at Tan-yr-Hengoed, Bontuchel.

6. FORMER CYFFYLLIOG SCHOOL UPDATED REPORT.

The Clerk still awaits the report from Miss Rebecca Williams of Denbighshire County Council with regards to the final report provided to Miss Williams following the previous Council meeting held on 8th November 2021.

7. FINANCE ISSUES.

- A. Bank balances £11,534.41.
- B. Final 2020/21 Precept receipt £2,574.00.
- C. Authorised bill payments:-
- 1. White Oak Property Services grass cutting and hedge cutting both the Cyffylliog Cemeteries £440.00.
- 2. Cut and remove the broken yew tree branch at the St. Mary's Church Cemetery £120.00.
- 3. Clerk's salary for the quarter ended 31st December 2021 £300.00.
- 4. HM Revenue & Customs for PAYE for the quarter ended 31st December 2021 £75.00.
- 5. Ty Gobaith/Hope House request for grant aid to be considered by the Council. Members resolved, after consideration, to grant aid Ty Gobaith the sum of £250.00.
- D. Denbighshire County Council informed Council that a contested Community Council on 5th May 2022 would cost the Council around £2,500 whilst an uncontested election would cost the Council around £500 which should be considered during the Council's determination of the Council's 2022/23 precept requirement.

8. TO SET THE COUNCIL'S 2022/23 COUNCIL'S PRECEPT REQUIREMENTS.

The Clerk circulated members of the Council, prior to the meeting, spreadsheets of the 2019/2020, 2020/2021 and 2021/2022 financial years of the Council which provided details of the receipts and payments for each financial year.

After consideration of the information provided, the members resolved to increase the precept requirement from £7,778 in the 2021/2022 financial year (£33 per Council Tax dwelling) to £12,270 in the 2022/2023 financial year (£52 per Council Tax dwelling) to cover the additional anticipated costs:-

- A: Consultancy fees costs prior to the anticipated purchase of the former Cyffylliog Primary School £2,500.00.
- B. Solicitor fees regarding the anticipated purchase of the former Cyffylliog Primary School £1,500.00.
- C. Structural fees regarding the anticipated purchase of the former Cyffylliog Primary School site £500.00.
- D. Anticipated Community Council Election costs £2,500.00.

The £2,500.00 shortfall will be made up from the Community Council's current reserves.

9. PLANNING ISSUES.

There were no planning applications received for consideration.

10. CORRESPONDENCE.

- A. BT Communications plc confirmed that the Community Council is now the legal owner of the former BT Payphone Kiosk in Cyffylliog Village. Members resolved to consider the possible use of the former kiosk at the next Council meeting.
- B. Denbighshire County Council recently informed the Community Council of the forthcoming road closured within the Community:-
- 1. Cyffylliog Chapel to Hiraethog Chapel highway.
- 2. Pentor, Bontuchel to Bachymbyd Cottage, Rhewl highway.

11. DENBIGHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES.

Denbighshire County Councillor Joseph Welch noted the following highways within the community that require urgent capital/repairs due to significant potholes:-

- A: Penrallt, Bontuchel to Ysgeibion Bach, Cyffylliog road.
- B. Penrhiw Fawr to Fron, Cyffylliog road.
- 12. URGENT BUSINESS UNDER SECTION 100B(4) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972. There were no urgent business to be considered.
- 13. NEXT COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY 14TH MARCH 2022 IN THE CHAPEL VESTRY, CYFFYLLIOG AT 7.30 PM.