Minutes of the Council's Meeting - 7.00 pm, Tuesday 15 October 2024

Present: Councillor Celfyn Furlong – Chairman

Councillors: Gwilym O. Jones, Siân Enfys Jones, Gordon Owen, William Victor Owen, Evan Wyn Robertson, Einir Thomas, Gareth Thomas and Dyfed Williams

Also Present: Mai Owen – Clerk/ RFO

- 1. Apologies: Cllr. Sharon Parry and County Cllr. Ken Taylor.
- Declaration of Interest Cllr. Gwilym O. Jones and Gordon Owen declared a personal interest in item 4.3 Caergeiliog, Village Hall.
- 3. Minutes of the previous meetings Minutes of 17 September 2024 were accepted as being correct (Proposed Cllr. E. W. Thomas, seconded Cllr. W.V Owen.)

4. Matters arising from the minutes.

- 4.1 Playing Field: The clerk had met on site with Mr Craig Redmond who had agreed to remove had agreed to remove all dead branches from the park parameter. The two benches were now installed in the play area.
- 4.2 Footpaths: It was agreed that as the cost of cutting the footpaths was relatively small that the clerk would enquire whether the existing contractor would do the work again next season for a comparable price. If he would it was agreed not to request more quotations.
- 4.3 Village Hall:

The draft lease had been agreed by both parties but the final document was yet to be received from the solicitors.

The jointly secured grant had been paid into the Community Council Account. Two similar quotations for roof repairs, three replacement windows, new facia boards and guttering to the rear of the building were recived from D. Thomas Building Contractors and Mike Jones Roofing Ltd.

Mike Jones Roofing Ltd was immediately available to carry out work on the roof and having received appropriate permissions from the Trustees he had been engaged to carry out this work. The lower rear part of the building had also been fitted with new facia boards and guttering. The roof had been found to be generally in good repair but some further work would be required above the main entrance. Several photographs had been taken showing cracks in the render particularly above the windows. It was agreed to look at doing this work as part of a bigger repair.

It was also agreed to ask Mike Jones Roofing would be asked to install three new windows and replace the facia boards and guttering on the rear of the building.

At at £7,250 R.G. Hire was the cheapest of the two quotations recived for creating the new ramp and as they confirmed their availability to complete the work before 30

November 2024 they had been asked to carry out the work.

Welsh Water had confirmed that they would provide a new connection to the rear boundary of the all grounds at a point directly in front of the gate into the garden – the quotation of \pounds 1296.73 was valid for 6 months to March 2025. RG Hire had provided an estimated cost of \pounds 3,100 for doing the excavation work within the hall grounds. They were hoping to skirt most of the rock on which the hall was built but there could be more cost here. Agreed to see whether there was funding available to help with this.

Mon Fire had identified the need for an alarm system, the clerk would ask the Bro Llynnoedd Allliance for a contribution towards the cost of this. It was also identified that the the double doors enteering the hall were not fire proof but a separate decision would be made about this.

- 4.4 Vacant Seats there had been no request for an election and a notice of co-option was released closing date 24 October 2024.
- 4.5 Any other matter arising from the minutes: none

5. Planning Applications

5.1 FPL/2024/155 The Stables, Caergeiliog.
Full application for alterations and extension to the outbuilding together with its conversion into a self-catering holiday let unit - No objection.

6. Financial Matters

The RFO submitted the financial report for the period from 1.9.2024 to 30.9.2024 together with bank reconciliations, statements and copies of the accounts. Current Account £45,074.65 Deposit Account £4062.62

6.1 Payments: noted / agreed.

Salary (Sept.)	£339.24	S. Wharton Grass cutting	£180
Clear Council Insurance (Hall)	£672.78	C. Torr (Fixing Benches)	£135
Medwyn Owen (two qtrs. Inspection)	£97.60	Mike Jones Roofing	£1128

It was also agreed that the Clerk / RFO would pay any invoices received in respect of previously agreed expenditure.

7. Correspondence – the following were submitted and noted.

- 7.1 Medrwn Môn Annual General Meeting 5.30pm, Thursday, 24 October 2024 at Ystafell Llynnon Room, Anglesey Business Centre, Llangefni LL77 7XA
- 7.2 Town and community councils forum minutes
- 7.3 The Executive's forward work programme September 2024 update
- 7.4 Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Draft Annual Report 2025-2026
- 7.5 Training Welsh Government free places

- 7.6 Shared Community Charter 2024 update
- 7.7 Newsletter Issue 7
- 7.8 Consultation: Scrutiny of the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2025-26. Response to the consultation by 29 November 2024.
- 7.9 Review of the 20mph Speed Restrictions Agreed to request that the speed limit be increased to 30mph from the beyond the Naafi / Primary school junction towards the RAF Base.

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- 8 Member Reports None
- 9. Next Meeting 19 November 2024