**Cyngor Cymuned Dwyriw Community Council**

**Minutes of the Meeting of Dwyriw Community Council held on**

**Thursday 20 January 2020 in Cwm School, Cefn Coch at 7.30pm**

**Present:** CllrsHeward(Chair), Gethin, Owen, Francis, Booth, Davies, Jerman, Hawtin, County Cllr Heulwen Hulme, the Clerk Sarah Yeomans and two members of the public.

**1. Apologies for Absence**

 None

**2. Declarations of Interest**

 Cllr Francis for Planning items 5.c, d, e and f

Cllrs Gethin, Francis, Davies and Jerman for Planning item 5.a and took no part in discussions.

**3. Minutes of November’s Meeting**

 The minutes of November’s meeting were taken as read and accepted as a true

record. Proposed Cllr Owen and seconded Cllr Gethin.

**4. Matters Arising from the Minutes**

 The Clerk explained that One Voice Wales has confirmed that the

 Council’s website complies with the current regulations and does not need

 updating.

**5. Planning**

 a) **19/2011/FUL** Erection of manure store, Tyn yr Wtra, New Mills

 The two members of the public present at the meeting were invited to speak

 about their concerns regarding this application. The Council discussed the

 proposal and decided to object on the following grounds:

 1. Planning History – In a previous planning application (retrospective and

 still undetermined) it was stated that there was enough storage room currently

 on farm for all farm manure.

 2. Design and Visual Impact – There is a concern that if the proposed building

 is placed on made-up ground then this will further impact the unresolved

 drainage issues. It is also felt that the building might have a large visual

 impact due to the proposed height.

 3. Ecology and Landscape – If the new building is positioned on made-up

 ground then there is concern about subsidence and there is also a worry

 about the potential for pollution of nearby water courses.

***The two members of the public left the meeting***

b) **19/1902/FUL** Excavation and creation of hardstanding at Tynllan, Cefn Coch. The Council discussed the proposal and plans and agreed to support this application.

***Cllr Francis left the meeting***

 c) **19/2071/FUL** Erection of agric building to form covered livestock feeding yard

 d) **19/2070/FUL** Erection of agric building and associated works

 e) **19/2107/FUL** Erection of an agric manure store and associated works

 f) **19/2106/FUL** Erection of agric building for manure store extension

 All four planning applications were for Pant Farm, Adfa and the Clerk read out an explanatory letter from the agent.

The Council discussed the four applications and agreed they were happy to support 19/2071 and 19/2072 on the grounds that the proposals would improve the welfare for the livestock and minimise the amount of dirty water produced in the livestock yards. For applications 19/2107 and 19/2106 the covered manure store and proposed extension would be within the existing range of farm buildings and would reduce the pollution risk by minimising the need to store uncovered in open fields.

***Cllr Francis re-joined the meeting***

**6. Finance**

a) **Account balances** – the current account contains £8530.60 and the deposit

account £522.58. The Clerk gave an update on the current budget situation and circulated the bank statements for November and December.

Several items were approved for payment:

i) Wicksteed Leisure – for the Cobra seesaw - £3595.20, Cheque 100486

ii) S Yeomans, Clerk wages and expenses - £761.11, Cheque 100487

iii) Mr Gareth Andrew, grass cutting for 2019 - £650, Cheque 100488

iv) Adfa Village Hall – Grant £450 and Hire fees £25 – Cheque 100489

v) Cwm School – Grant £450 and Hire fees £15 – Cheque 100490

vi) Cefn Coch Village Hall – Hire fees - £20 – Cheque 100491

vii) Llanwyddelan Church – Hire fees - £8 – Cheque 100492

b) The Village Hall grant allocation was discussed and £900 was agreed, to be split between Adfa Village Hall, Cwm School and possible Cefn Coch Village Hall – to be determined at the next meeting.

c) **To set the Precept** - The Clerk circulated a copy of the budget predictions for 2020/21 and the Council agreed to request a precept amount of £5630.00.

In doing so the Councillors agreed that they would not be taking the £150 allowance for the coming year of 20/21 and so this would not need to be

included in the budget.

d) The appropriate sum under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 expenditure limit for 2020-21 is £8.32, meaning that this is the limit per elector that can be spent outside the Councils specific powers.

 **7. Highways and Byways**

a) Potholes would be reported in Cefn Coch on the C2013 near Cwm School

b) It was noted that in some areas the recycling boxes were being left on the edge of the road after emptying leaving them vulnerable and prone to blowing away in bad weather. County Cllr Hulme would report this.

 **8. Adfa Play Area**

There was nothing new to report.

 **9. Llanllugan Burial Ground**

a) It was reported that one of the older headstones had fallen over recently and Cllr Davies offered to let the family know if he could locate them.

b) It was agreed that the burial fees would be discussed at the February meeting.

**10. Mid Wales Growth Deal**

County Cllr Hulme explained what the Mid Wales Growth Deal was – a joint venture between Powys County Council and Ceredigion County Council to be

Funded by the Welsh Government with £55 million over 15 years. The key themes will be energy, research, tourism, food, skills and connectivity.

**11. Correspondence**

a) Clerks and Councils Direct

b) Russell George – meetings dates

c) Street furniture catalogues

d) County Councillor December report

**12. Welcome Letters**

None

**13. Items to be reported or included on the next agenda**

Burial ground charges

**14. Date of the next meeting**

The next meeting will be held on **27 February 2020** in Adfa Village Hall

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.10pm.