**Cyngor Cymuned Dwyriw Community Council**

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

**Tuesday 22 November 2016 in Adfa Village Hall at 7.30pm**

**Present:** CllrsOwen (Chair),Davies, Hawtin, Hill, Jones and the Clerk Sarah Yeomans

**1. Apologies for Absence**

Cllr Benbow and Heward, and County Cllr Shearer

**2. Declarations of Interest**

 None

**3. Minutes of October’s Meeting**

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

 record. Proposed Cllr Hawtin and seconded Cllr Davies.

**4.** **Matters Arising from the Minutes**

None

**5.** **Planning**

There were no planning applications to consider.

**6. Finance**

a) **Account balances** – the current account contains £2139.97 and the deposit

 account contains £2518.22. There were three invoices approved for payment:

 i) Royal British Legion for two poppy wreaths - £80.00, Cheque no. 100417

 ii) H Upward for maintenance work at the play area - £75.00, Cheque 100418

iii) Clerk, wages and expenses - £661.64 – Cheque 100419

b) **Budget Update** – The Clerk gave an update on the current status of the budget

**7. Highways and Byways**

 Two potholes would be reported to the Highways department:

 i) C2013 by Tyncoed, Cefn Coch

 ii) At the junction in Carmel where the road separates.

**8. Adfa Play Area**

The annual maintenance work has now been completed.

**9.** **Llanllugan Burial Ground**

 a) Burial prices for people from outside the parish. One Voice Wales had

 given advice on this matter indicating that each Council had its own rules.

 It was agreed that a sum would not be set for outside burials but rather a price

 would be determined on application, dependent on the link within the area.

b) Grass Cutting tender. Posters would be placed in the notice boards inviting people to tender for the grass cutting contract for the coming two years (2017/2018)

**10. Risk Assessment Review**

This document was reviewed and no changes were deemed necessary.

**11. Annual Risk Assessment of Council Assets**

The Clerk had carried out a risk assessment of the Council’s assets and

presented the findings to the meeting. It was pointed out that the new notice

board in Cefn Coch had been leaking during the recent wet weather and this

would be investigated further. There were no other matters that required

attention.

**12. Review of Standing Orders and Financial Regulations**

It was resolved that a trial would be held for a year where the agenda and minutes of council meetings would be posted on the website but not placed in the notice boards. If there were no complaints during the year then this would continue. Standing Order 4a would be changed to reflect this decision.

Standing Order 2 would also be changed to allow for meetings to be held on

a different day of the week as necessary.

**13. Proposed removal of BT phone box near Cwm School, Cefn Coch**

A notice had been placed in the phone box requesting feedback on the proposed removal but nothing had been received by the Clerk. It was agreed that the Council were content that the telephone equipment could now be removed but agreed they would like to adopt the box for the community.

**14. Correspondence**

1. Tirgwynt Wind Farm Community Benefit – a draft agreement had been received by the Clerk which set out the proposed terms for the Tirgwynt community benefit funds. It was proposed that this money would become part of the existing Dwyriw Community Trust Fund. The Clerk would find out what progress had been made on this agreement in time for the January meeting.
2. Minutes had arrived for the Tirgwynt Wind Farm Community Liaison Group and it was noted that the first community benefit payment was scheduled for early 2017.
3. Two funding applications from the British Red Cross and Marie Curie were deferred until the AGM in May.
4. Information had been received from Powys County Council about the May 2017 Council Elections.
5. A member of the community had written regarding the current situation with BT fibre Broadband and when it might become available for the Dwyriw area.
6. A letter of complaint had been received about the road condition on the C2014 just outside Adfa and also the visibility at the junction with the C2013 in the village of Cefn Coch. Both these matters would be investigated before the next meeting.
7. Clerks and Councils Direct publication
8. Play for Wales newsletter

**15. Welcome Letters**

 None

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

Precept budget

**15. Date of the next meeting**

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 19 January 2017** inCwm School, Cefn Coch at 7.30pm

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.40pm