**Cyngor Cymuned Dwyriw Community Council**

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

**Thursday 21 November 2019 in Llanwyddelan Schoolroom at 7.30pm**

**Present:** CllrsHeward(Chair), Gethin, Owen, Francis, Booth, Davies, Jerman and the Clerk Sarah Yeomans.

**1. Apologies for Absence**

 Cllr Hawtin and County Cllr Hulme

**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 Owen and seconded Cllr Davies.

**4. Matters Arising from the Minutes**

 There were no matters arising

**5. Planning**

a) **19/1623/FUL Installation of a solar thermal system onto an existing agricultural building roof and biomass installation including flue** (retrospective) – The Council discussed this application and agreed to make no comment.

b) It was noted that two applications had recently received approval:

i) garden shed at Minyffordd, Adfa - any future change of use for this shed would need to be approved by the Trading Standards

ii) Poultry unit at Llawnt Uchaf, New Mills

**6. Finance**

a) **Account balances** – the current account contains £6620.60 and the deposit

account £522.32. The Clerk gave an update on the current budget situation and circulated the bank statement for October.

b) One invoice was approved for payment:

Lady Haig’s Poppy Factory for one wreath - £35.00, Cheque no. 100484

 **7. Highways and Byways**

a) Two matters would be reported to the Highways department: a pot hole near Tynllan, Llanllugan and a drain cover near Gwernfyda that lifts off during heavy rain/flooding and is deposited in the road.

b) The Community Council had been informed of a recent incident of flooding

in Llanllugan following a period of heavy rain. Powys County Council was aware of the matter and had investigated and scheduled clearing work.

c) Information had arrived from Powys County Council about possible funding provision through a Big Lottery grant application for community engagement in footpath improvement. The subject would be put on the website to see if there was enough support locally for this to be progressed.

d) It was reported that the police had spent a short time in Adfa recently, monitoring the speed of vehicles travelling through the village.

 **8. Adfa Play Area**

a) The new seesaw has now been installed in the play area and Cllr Owen circulated a photograph for Cllrs to see. It was agreed that the clerk should get a quote for installing a small plaque to record that the seesaw had been purchased using funds from the Pantycrai school closure fund.

b) It was noted that one of the play area entrance gates did not close on its own anymore and Heath Upward would be informed to see if he can rectify this when he carries out his next maintenance session.

 **9. Llanllugan Burial Ground**

 There has been positive feedback recently about the neat grass cutting at the

 Burial Ground.

**10. Council Website**

 The Council’s website provider Vision ICT had written to say that the

 Government was introducing new guidelines about what should be included

 on Council websites and Dwyriw’s website does not comply. Vision ICT

 was offering to provide an upgraded website at a cost of £970 plus Vat but the

 Council have decided to wait for more information before making any changes.

**11. Correspondence**

a) An email from Powys Education Department about two engagement meetings to be held in Llandrindod Wells in December

b) An email from the Welsh Government Biodiversity Policy Team informing the community council about its section 6 biodiversity and resilience of ecosystems duty that was introduced as part of the Environment (Wales) Act 2016. Should it be necessary for Dwyriw to report on this then the Burial Ground grass cutting would be highlighted with only 4 cuts made a year and a delayed first cut.

**12. Welcome Letters**

None

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

The annual precept

**14. Date of the next meeting**

The next meeting will be held on **16 January 2020** in Cwm Llanllugan Community Centre.

It was agreed that the June and November meetings of the Community Council would be held in Llanwyddelan School Room in future.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.40pm