**Cyngor Cymuned Dwyriw Community Council**

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

**Thursday 25 November 2021 at 7.00 pm in Adfa Village Hall**

**Present:** CllrsOwen, Booth (Chair), Gethin, Adcock, Francis, Heward, Hawtin, Jerman and the Clerk Sarah Yeomans.

**1. Apologies for Absence**

 County Cllr Hulme

**2. Declarations of Interest**

 None

**3. Minutes of the October Meeting**

The minutes of the October meeting were taken as read and accepted as a true record. Proposed Cllr Heward and seconded Cllr Owen.

**4. Matters Arising from the Minutes**

The Clerk confirmed that the Llanllugan defibrillator is covered by the existing

Council insurance policy

**5. Planning**

 There were no matters to discuss

**6. Finance**

a) **Account balances** – the current account contains £4,068.53 and the deposit

account £1,523.13.

£1,000 has been placed in the deposit account and earmarked for Burial Ground upkeep. A Vat claim has been received for £335.20.

The Clerk circulated copies of the latest bank statement for October and a copy of the budget monitoring sheet.

1. The bank mandate forms have now been signed and returned to HSBC
2. The Section 137 Expenditure Limit for 2022-23 will be £8.82 per elector

**7. Highways and Byways**

a) Chris Lloyd from the Highways department has agreed to meet with local councillors to discuss the speed issues in Adfa and Cefn Coch and consider whether speed display units would be appropriate. Cllrs Adcock and Booth were both willing to meet him.

b) Contractors have now been asked to carry out the improvement works at the bridleway near Carmel and it is hoped this might be completed before Christmas.

**8. Adfa Play Area**

The ROSPA inspections have now been carried out and the reports show no cause for concern. The base of one of the wooden swings is beginning to rot and this will be monitored. It was decided that the Council will meet at the Play Area in the spring to carry out their own assessment.

**9. Llanllugan Burial Ground**

Cllr Francis has cut the grass along the pathway to the Church and Gareth Andrew has been asked whether he will take on this role.

**10. Broadband Pilot Project update**

Cllr Booth reported that the DCMS has finally approved the funding for the project confirming that it will now go ahead. Broadway Partners will assess the current infrastructure in the area over the next few weeks, and it is hoped that the first installations should begin next spring.

**11. Golden Mile**

The councillors acknowledged that it was important to try to do something to recognise the efforts of Maldwyn Evans in planting the Golden Mile. Cllr Owen offered to take some photographs by the weir and existing benches to see whether a spot for a plaque could be identified by the next meeting.

**12. Correspondence**

a) An email had arrived from Powys County Council explaining that local council elections are due to be held next May 2022.

The cost of a contested election to the Dwyriw community could be £2,500 per ward, so £5,000 in total and this money should be budgeted for via the precept.

An uncontested election could cost up to a total of £1,000.

b) A donation request from the Wales Air Ambulance was deferred to the AGM.

c) Clerks and Councils Direct publication

**13. Welcome Letters**

New residents at Pen Cae, Cefn Coch and in Pen y Maes Adfa be sent welcome letters.

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

There was nothing to report.

**15. Date of the next meeting**

The next meeting will be held on **27 January 2021** at 7.00pm in Adfa Village Hall.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.10pm.