**Cyngor Cymuned Dwyriw Community Council**

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

**Thursday 26 September 2019 in Adfa Village Hall at 7.30pm**

**Present:** CllrsHeward(Chair), Gethin, Owen, Francis, Hawtin, Booth, Davies, Jerman, County Cllr Hulme and the Clerk Sarah Yeomans. 18 members of the public were also present at the meeting.

**1. Apologies for Absence**

None

**2. New Councillor**

Mike Jerman was welcomed to the meeting as a new Councillor and he signed the relevant forms relating to the Code of Conduct.

**3. Declarations of Interest**

Cllrs Gethin, Francis, Davies and Jerman for planning item 6.a)

**4. Minutes of July’s Meeting**

The minutes of July’s meeting were taken as read and accepted as a true record.

Proposed Cllr Owen and seconded Cllr Booth

**5. Matters Arising from the Minutes**

There were no matters arising

**6. Planning**

a) **19/1475/FUL Erection of a free-range egg production unit at Tyn yr Wtra, Llanwyddelan.**

Eighteen members of the public were present at the meeting to hear the discussion regarding this application. The Chairman invited questions from the floor and points were raised for consideration.  It was noted that this was a new application, part retrospective, because the original planning application had not been adhered to.  The unit had been constructed in a different position to the original permission granted, 18 meters further forward in the field, away from the hedge at the back and 9 meters closer to the existing buildings.

The following concerns were brought before the Council and would be reported back to the Planning Authority:

**Visual Impact:** Residents were concerned about the height of the building, believing it to be higher than that proposed in the original planning application. The original description had been of a low-lying building, integrating well within the landscape.   This is noted within the Design and Access statement on 7 occasions and was criticised by members of the public as not being an accurate statement.  
The planning consultant who was present at the meeting explained that the building had been dug into the ground at one end, so it was invisible from the bridge up and it was in fact lower than traditional agricultural buildings.

It was noted that the development is visible from a number of roads within the community due to its high position on the landscape.  
Residents were also concerned about the light that might come from the packing area early in the morning.

**Landscape:**  Concern was expressed about the need for more native tree planting in order to reduce the visual impact.

**Water Course** - There is a stream running alongside the access road with water that will end up in the river.  This stream does not appear on the maps as a water course but has been confirmed by NRW.  It was requested that the source of this water supply is identified to ensure it is not from within the ranging area in order that no water contamination occurs.  
There is concern about the manure spreading proposals as everything on the plan already has manure spread on from the applicant’s current herd of cattle.

Well water – one member of the public was concerned about their household well water and questioned whether the buffer zone would be adequate to protect their water quality.

**Highways** – Local residents expressed concerns about the incomplete work on the visibility splay and the need to comply with planning conditions to ensure road safety.

**Cumulative impact** - was also a concern as residents have concluded that there are 739599 birds within a 5 mile radius of the development.  This includes units already in operation, awaiting development and in planning.  This is a material condition.

**Employment** – concern was expressed about the creation of jobs as stated in the application, however the Agent confirmed that these will be absorbed by the applicant’s family and no new jobs will be created.

**Tourism** – there is 5\* caravan park overlooking the development.   The Agent stated that the park owner had not expressed concerns however it was noted that the actual park homeowners had not been notified.   Concerns were expressed regarding the impact this could have on the local economy, restaurants and shops.

Overall the residents were unhappy that the conditions set in the original planning application had not been adhered to.

b) **19/1501/HH Erection of a replacement garden shed at Minyffordd, Adfa**

The application was considered by the Councillors and they agreed to support it

c) **Additional information notification – P/2010/0890 –** Windfarm

development comprising 18 wind turbines at land at Esgair Cwmowen, Carno

Predicted noise levels report.

d) County Cllr Hulme gave an update on recent planning applications and two small matters in Adfa would be investigated further.

*18 members of the public left the meeting*

**7. Finance**

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a) **Account balances** – the current account contains £4440.52 and the deposit

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

b) Two invoices were approved for payment:

Council insurance for the coming year – Came and Company - £437.32, Cheque no. 100481

M H Upward for routine maintenance at Adfa play area - £109.60

Cheque no. 100482

c) **Conclusion of Audit:** The Auditor General for Wales had issued an unqualified audit report for Dwyriw Community Council. One issue highlighted by the auditor and recommended for consideration next year was the low level of reserves kept in the account.

**10. Highways and Byways**

a) Cllr Jerman reported that residents were concerned about the speed of some vehicles travelling through the village of Adfa. This matter would be reported to the Highways department to see if something could be done.

b) Cllr Jerman had also been asked to raise the matter of the missing dog waste bin at the one end of Adfa village. County Cllr Hulme agreed to see if a replacement could be installed by Powys County Council.

**11. Adfa Play Area**

a) Cllr Owen presented the recent ROSPA reports for Adfa play areas to the meeting and explained that there were no issues requiring attention.

b) The new seesaw was due to be installed on the 18 November and once in position a plaque would be placed on it to indicate record where the funds had originated.

**12. Llanllugan Burial Ground**

£505 was given to the Council toward the upkeep of Llanllugan Burial Ground in memory of Mr Stan Davies formerly of Tynllan, Llanllugan.

**13. Poppy Wreaths**

Cllr Owen offered to obtain two poppy wreaths for the Council for the churches of Llanllugan and Llanwyddelan

**14. Correspondence**

a) Information from Eluned Morgan AM

b) Police and Crime commissioner report

c) Clerks and Councils Direct

d) Invitation from the Montgomeryshire Recreation Committee to a conference at Plas Dolerw

**15. Welcome Letters**

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

Nothing reported

**17. Date of the next meeting**

The next meeting will be held on **24 October 2019** in Cwm Llanllugan Community Centre

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.00pm