

VAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNED Y FAN

Draft Minutes of the Remote Ordinary FULL COUNCIL Meeting

Thursday 18th November 2021

Present:

By Video: Cllr Tony Graham (Chair), Cllr Norma Graham, Cllr Sheila Jones, Cllr Anne Broughton Pettit, Cllr Fay Gay, Cllr Barbara Jones (Vice)

By Phone: Cllr Pam Nelder, NOTE unable to connect after several attempts

Apologies: Cllr Rhys Evans, Cllr John Leek, Cllr Sheila Newbury

In Attendance: Michelle Moore (Clerk)

28. Police & Community Safety

CSO Barbour of Gwent Police was unable to attend, but had provided a written report, the Clerk provided a summary.

- 1.Shoplifting patrols will be conducted throughout December.
- 2.Windows are still being smashed in Lansbury Park, foot patrols in the evenings are being increased.
- 3.There are ongoing reassurance patrols in the Penyhreol ward following the fatal dog attack.
- 4.Inspector Clifton is retiring, and Sgt Pursey will be covering neighbourhood watch until a new inspector is in place.

29. Declarations of Interest

None

30. Minutes

The minutes of the remote ORDINARY FULL COUNCIL meeting held on 21st October 2021 were agreed as an accurate record.

31. Matters Arising from Full Council meeting held on Thursday 21st October 2021

NONE

32. Draft Budget

32.1 Budget for 2022-2023

Resolved: The budget was set intentionally knowing that there would be an underspend this year, and that the carry forward figure will be far greater, than shown.

32.2 Precept for 2022-2023

Resolved: The precept is to remain at £27,350 , and the Clerk is to notify CBBC

33. Clerk's Report

33.1 Bank Reconciliation for September

Received and agreed

33.2 Bank reconciliation for October

Received and agreed

33.3 Agreed

33.4 None

33.5 Christmas Lighting

The Clerk informed the Councillors, not all the lights were illuminated, and is awaiting confirmation from the installation company when it will be resolved.

33.6 Update on the Empowerment fund

NOTED

33.7 Update on the Defibrillators

NOTED

33.8

Resolved: The Clerk to signpost Parent Network on the grant scheme to support those impacted by Childhood Experiences.

33.9 Cllr Allowances

Resolved: The Clerk and the chair Tony Graham, to contact OVW, Paul Egan, for clarification on the eligibility for County Cllr.B Jones.

34. Appointment of an Estate Manager

NOTE the decision was revisited due to new information.

Resolved: The Clerk to invite a representative from Lansbury Park Neighbourhood Housing Office, as a speaker in the new year.

35. OVW-Local Places for Nature

Cllr S Jones gave an update on the application form, and unanticipated costs involved.

NOTED. The disappointment in the progression of the application process and the failure of the County Council to deliver the information.

36. Restrictive covenant relating to Lansbury Surgery, CF83 1RD

Awaiting reply from CBCC

37. Queen's Jubilee

NOTED

38. Community Engagement

38.1 The consideration of land at Van terrace

Resolved: Cllrs to have a site visit to the land, weather permitting, and conduct a local specific survey of the residents. The clerk to prepare a report for the agenda in January.

38.2 A Christmas contribution to the local schools

Resolved: The clerk to contact the head teacher at St James and St Helens primary school, to offer a donation of £300, to buy a small gift for the pupils.

38.3 Financial Assistance to the Welsh Air Ambulance

Resolved: Financial assistance of £500 to be paid to The Welsh Air Amulance Charitable Trust, on the proviso, there has not been one in this financial year.

39. Planning Applications

None

40. Update on the provision of pedestrian crossing outside St James Primary school

NOTED. Awaiting further information from CBCC.

41. Plenary powers

Resolved: Plenary powers to be given to the Chair, in consultation with the Clerk during the Christmas recess.

42. Date of next meeting

Confirmed Thursday January 20th 2022

Cllr T Graham
Chair Van Community Council



Clerk