

CYNGOR CYMUNED SESSWICK

SESSWICK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Sesswick Community Council Meeting held remotely on **Friday 18th March 2022.**

Minute book 1402

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Present: Chair Heather Rowland, Vice-Chair Raymond Jones, John Hurst, John Pritchard, Edwina Theunissen, David Williams, Dave Parry

22/11 **Apologies for absence** – None

22/12 **Declaration of interest** – None

22/12 **Public Participation** – None

22/14 **Confirmation of minutes** – Minute book 1400-1401. Proposed as an accurate record by ET and seconded by RJ.

22/15 **Matters arising** –

- A. No reply from Scottish Power about installing a Defibrillator. Funding applications have now closed but Clerk will contact again, in case funding becomes available in the future.
- B. LED lighting quotes. Still only one quote received despite Clerk trying several times to obtain more. Suggested that Clerk contacts WCBC highways for assistance.

22/05 **Considerations taken between meetings**, as authorised under standing orders 27.

- i. Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Report had been shared- Will discuss in greater detail after the May 2022 Elections.
- ii. New Website now completed – Request from DP to obtain traffic information from website provider. Clerk to contact. Further discussions to move forward with increasing the usage of the website within the Community.
Clerk to start adding speed camera data. RJ to send over report to Clerk to add onto website. Councillors asked if they would like items adding that they send it over completed for Clerk to add.
- iii. Resignation from Cllr Stead – Email had been received and shared with all Councillors. Chair (HR) had contacted Cllr Stead to thank her for all her contributions over the past 18 years, as she contributed greatly to the Community. Councillors were sad to see Cllr Stead leave but sent their best regards.
- iv. Minutes had been shared from the Dame Dorothy Jeffries Charity. After Elections a new representative will be required.

A. Finance, Invoices & Payments

Company	Chq Number	Amount
Vision ICT	000766	£870.00
AVOW	000767	£448.50
One Voice Wales	000768	£109.00
WCBC Light Maintenance 01.10.21-31.12.21	000769	£30.79

Invoices sent to the Clerk were forwarded to the Chair for payment. Cash book shared, updated and confirmed by Councillors as a true record.

All invoices are kept with the Clerk/RFO for viewing.

VAT return was proving difficult for the Year End 31/03/2022 due to login issues. So this could be delayed being added to the bank balance.

B. Planning

P/2021/0676 – Erection of Solar Farm and Battery Storage Facility – RJ confirmed he had contacted planning. Construction will take approximately 16 weeks. Heavy traffic for the first week of each task, (4 heavy vehicles per hour) along Holt Road and un named. No -through road near Talwrn cottages. Weeks 2-4 will be the busiest time with around 25 staff members working.

Consideration needs to be given to the speed of vehicles in an area where there are frequent walkers and no pavements. Chair will make further enquiries and advise Clerk to respond to Planning Department.

Added to Meeting – due to being emailed a few days before – URGENT MATTER

P2021/2020/0363 – Planning Inspectorate Reference H6955/A/21/3271810 – Glasshouse with Packing Facility and Offices. Energy Centre, Recovery Plant and Reservoirs.

On 25/09/20 Wrexham County Borough Council refused Planning Permission for the above.

We have now been informed that an appeal will take place, virtually on 07/04/22 @ 10.00am.

Anyone wishing to be present at the Hearing for observation or to participate should register their interest by Thursday 24th March the latest to PEDW.Casework@gov.wales A link will be forwarded to you.

Planning applications are said to be "at a standstill" in Wales due to new targets for phosphate pollution in rivers. More than 60% of water bodies in affected areas failed the targets set by NRW, including the Dee. The SCC questions why the appeal is going ahead under these circumstances.

C. Year-end accounts

All agreed that the accounts are a true and accurate record. Clerk will finalised the Budget/Actual spends and email this out.

Clerk confirmed that the Internal Audit had sent an email about preparing the IA. JDH Business Services have increased their costs to £225 + VAT but have agreed due to the size of Sesswick to keep it at £135 + VAT. Awaiting a date for IA and need to confirm June meeting, once Elections are completed.

D. Timesheets – Approved by Council.

22/17 County Councillors report (Verbal)

A Letter had been received from a member of the public about accidents and speed of traffic on Kiln Lane. Cllr J Pritchard had actioned this with PCSO Dean Sawyer. Some accidents are not reported to the Police, which makes it difficult to establish problem areas.

JP has reported Fly-tipping, road grid and pot holes. HR reported some large branches that are dangerous on Shaw Road and a sign post that is damaged on Talwrn Road. JP has a list of jobs for highways and will do more checks.

22/18 – Police Report – Emailed to all and added to the website. It was requested that we have further information about the speed checks and fines. We would like more detail about the location of the speed checks. Clerk to contact PCSO Mr D Sawyer.

22/19 Reports from other meetings – Thank you to Cllr Parry for attending website training along with the Clerk.

Clerk attended OVW Advanced Finance Training – was very useful.

22/20 AOB – Cllr D Williams asked if the shift pattern had changed in a nearby factory. Residents are aware of heavier traffic early hours of the morning. No-one had been informed.

No donations will be considered until the new Financial Year. Clerk will reply to Air Ambulance to advise.

Date of next meeting. Friday 20th May at 18.00pm.

Meeting close at 7.22pm.

Chair's Signature _____

Date _____