**Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Wednesday 7th of August 2024**

**at Coytrahen Community Centre**

The meeting commenced at 6.00pm and chaired by Councillor Judith Morgan

Councillors In Attendance: -

Cllr. D Davies. Cllr. J Roberts

Cllr. G Faulkner Cllr. P Gronow

Cllr. G Haines Cllr M. Jones

Clerk L Turner

1. **Apologies for Absence.**

None

1. **Declaration of Interest.**

* Cllr Faulkner & Cllr. Roberts on all matters relating to the Coytrahen Community Association.
* Committee Members Cllr. Jones Councillor for Bridgend County Borough Councillor on all matters relating to Bridgend County Borough Council.
* Cllr. Jones, Cllr. Gronow & Cllr. Windsor on all matters relating to the potential collaboration with Tondu Football Club.

1. **Police Matters**

* PCSO Green & John attended this month’s meeting. They reported during the period of June, July & August the crimes reported were of Antisocial Behaviour, Violence and damage to property these were isolated incidents. There was 1 drug offence.
* PSCO Green distributed some questionnaires to gather data and community opinions
* The PCSO enquired about the Community Council’s concerns. It was raised by Cllr. Roberts that having PCSO presence around the village would be a good idea.
* The Cllr’s. advised the speed on the main road has become a danger especially since the 20mph was introduced where cars are overtaking on the main road. PCSO Green advised that she could arranged for Speed Scoping to be conducted. This involves recording the speed of 50 vehicles and calculating the average speed. The only downfall will be they can only use this divice in daylight wheras the speeding happens later in the evening/early hours.
* It was encouraged to report any traffic offences.

1. **Minutes/Matters Arising from June’s Council Meeting.**

**Matters Arising from May’s Council meeting.**

* The Defibrillator continues to be order (issues with the LLCC bank account have delayed this).
* Watercourse withdrawal - No further updates were available from BCBC.
* The Watercourse wooden bridge continues to be a safety hazard. Due to the liability, the Man Shed is unable to repair the bridge. Cllr. Jones will make inquiries and a referral to BCBC.
* The public meeting will be held on the 17th of June 2024 at the community centre to discuss the potential collaboration between LLCC and Tondu FC.

1. **Matters to be discussed in September’s meeting**

* Cllr. Gronow will price up commemorative items to celebrate the 80th Anniversary.
* Community participation in the Coytrahen Fun Day.
* Internal Audit – Quotation for 2024/25.
* Bus Shelter Clearing – Clerk to arrange
* Pathways – Clerk to arrange
* Watercourse- Update (ongoing)
* Potential Collaboration - Update (ongoing)
* Risk Assessment on the Wooden Bridge – Update (ongoing)
* Crossing on the main road – Update (ongoing)

1. **Correspondence.**

* Email to MTT accepting their offer to attend ocur next meeting in September. Enquires will be made to see if this will be a public event.
* Letter received

1. **Planning Matters**

* Cllr. Haines received a copy of the planning application for an additional unit at the paper mills. P/24/406/FUL. LLCC are happy to support this application.
* Cllr. Morgan provided a planning application no P/24/353/FUL Cllr.Haines or LLCC were in receipt of this application and not aware of it.
* Clerk LT to contact BCBC Planning requesting that LLCC to be provided with application notices.

1. **Members Reports**

* The drainage problem on Cildaudy Road has now been repaired.
* Cllr. Faulkner would like to thank community members for their hard work and dedication in maintaining the rockery in Coytrahen.
* The trees adjacent to Heol Treharne are killing the cherry trees. Clerk to arrange quotations for this work to share in the next meeting.
* Cllr. Morgan suggested the LLCC bus shelters are in need of cleaning.  It was agreed to contact Josh, who previously undertook the work, to obtain a quotation for the work. Cllr Faulkner will make contact with Josh.
* Cllr. Gronow provided a contact number for a company who may be able to clear the footpaths. Clerk to make contact to obtain a quotation for consideration at our next meeting. Cllr. Davies will advise on what works/paths need to be quoted for.
* Flowers have been purchased to decorate the village (receipt provided)
* Cllr. Davies reported the “footpath” sign needs to be replaced at the entrance to the woods on the 4063.
* Cllr. Roberts advised the bin in the community

1. **Cllr Gary Haines**

Cllr. Haines provided a report and an update to LLCC.

1. Lampstand 49 is fixed.
2. He continues to advocate the need for the crossing on the main road.
3. Requests have been made in regard to a bin with Poo bags to be replaced. He is awaiting a response.
4. Cllr. Haines has reported the parking issues at Oak Terrance. He is awaiting a response.
5. Cllr. Haines advised that all concerns with speeding cars can be reported to the Gosafe Camera Partnership at gosafe.org or the local PCSO
6. Cllr. Haines shared he has made a referral to the enforcement team about the parking issues. He was advised that unless cars are causing an obstruction or illegal parking there is nothing that can be done. He was advised to share that community members report the issues themselves to the local PCSO.
7. The removal of the steel container will not be replaced with lights due to the cost and no signage can be displayed due to the regulations.

Cllr. Haines will continue to liaise with the Clerk on matters arising from the community.

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1. **Finance**

* The bank account continues to be an issue. Cllr, Gronow and Cllr Faulkner will attend the bank if needed with the clerk to try and resolve the issues. Date/Time to be arranged.

1. **Public Participation**

Cllr. Morgan welcomed the residents in attendance for this month meeting. The residents had queries and questions concerning the potential collaboration with Tondu FC. Cllr. Jones, Cllr Windsor & Cllr Gronow removed themselves from the room. The councillors received the letters from residents Mr G. Adams, Mr. M W & Mrs Wendi in advance of the meeting for consideration.

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1. **Any Other information**

 None

1. **Items for August Meeting**

* Banking update
* 80th Commemorative Purchase
* Repairs update
* Watercourse (ongoing)
* AGM
* LLCC Audit
* Potential Collaboration with Tondu F.C.

1. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next council meeting will be held on Wednesday the 7th of August and will be split as follows. The AGM at 5pm, followed by the LLCC monthly meeting at 6pm.

The Chairman closed the meeting.

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_