**Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Wednesday 29th of May 2024 at Coytrahen Community Centre**

The meeting commenced at 6.00pm and chaired by Councillor Mr Martyn Jones.

Councillors In Attendance: -

Cllr. D Davies. Cllr. J Roberts

Cllr. G Faulkner Cllr. J Windsor

Cllr. G Haines Cllr. P Gronow

Clerk L Turner

1. **Apologies for Absence.**

Cllr. J Morgan PCSO Laura Green

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.

1. **Police Matters**

* Cllr. Roberts reported there was some vandalism to a vehicle. However, this was an isolated event.

1. **Minutes/Matters Arising from Aprils Council Meeting.**

* Cllr. Jones read and agreed the minutes for April
* The Defibrillator is on order
* Watercourse withdrawal - No further updates were available from BCBC.
* The Container has now been removed and the area cleaned.
* The repairs have been completed on the Shwt Bus Shelter
* Upon reporting the drainage problem on Cildaudy Road, BCBC has visited to assess the drains and work will be completed to rectify the problem.
* The Watercourse wooden bridge continues to be a safety hazard. The Bollards placed there to warn people are being moved. It was agreed by all Councillors that a repair will be funded to avoid any potential incident. Cllr. Davies will contact Men Shed to arrange this.

1. **Matters to be discussed in May meeting**

The community centre is booked for 17th June at 6.00pm to hold a public meeting in connection with the potential collaboration agreement with Tondu F.C. A public notice will be displayed in the community centre and shared on the Coytrahen Hub and Coytrahen History Group. The notices will also be photocopied and distributed around the community. A representative from Tondu F.C. will be at the meeting to give a presentation and answer any questions.

* Memorial Day (Date to be confirmed). It was a unanimous vote that LLCC will work jointly with the community centre and fund the buffet.
* LLCC will look at purchasing a commemorative item to celebrate the 80th Anniversary.
* BCBC are unable to assist with the removal of dumped tyres on the derelict Gelli Las Farm Isaf due to it being private land.
* The damaged brickwork near Pentwyn Farm has been reported. We are still awaiting an outcome for this.
* LLCC would like to have a logo representing the local community this will be a competition for the local children to design an image. The winner will be announced during our Fun day and Cllr. Haines to present the prize.
* LLCC discussed the possibility of having their own social media page. It was agreed that it may be confusing due to currently having several community hubs.

1. **Correspondence.**

* Letter of request on behalf of Coytrahen Community Association.

For a financial contribution of £500 towards the cost of a marquee for the community fun day as per last year. Cllr. Faulkner and Cllr. Roberts made a declaration of interest. Cllr Windsor objected. Cllr. Jones Proposed a vote, Cllr. Gronow, and Councillor Davies supported the marquee 3 to 1.

* Letter with 10 Complementary tickets received from Bois Goetre-Hen. These were offered out into the community.

1. **Planning Matters**

* No Planning applications received by LLCC
* Cllr. Roberts advised that a community member made an application, and it has not been passed onto LLCC. Cllr. Haines advised upon receiving the Planning Application Number he will investigate the progress of the application.

1. **Members Reports**

* Concerns were raised with the same red car speeding through the village on numerous occasions. The number plate will try to be obtained and passed onto the police.
* LLCC would like to thank Cllr. Davies for all the hard he does on the rockery into Coytrahen.
* It was suggested that Sola Lights to be placed upon the Coytrahen Sign as you enter the village. This will be priced and considered in June’s meeting.
* The light was out on the Lampstand no 49. Cllr. Haines will report this to BCBC.
* A tree has fallen into the entrance to the woods at Nicholls Road. This will be reported to the landowner.
* The final coin was sold. Cllr. Faulkner had collected the £7.00. It was agreed the £7.00 be given to the community centre to be used for the children towards the next community event.
* The footpaths need to be cleared. Clerk to contact previous contractors to obtain a quotation.
* The post with the dog poo bags have been removed and replaced with bins. Enquired are to be made by Cllr. Haines as to why, as the preference would be to have the free bags.
* Flowers were Purchased to thank the previous clerk. (Receipt provided)
* The pavements into Tondu are overgrown and narrow. Cllr. Haines to report this to BCBC.
* Members allowance forms handed to all Councillors.
* There are extensive ongoing problems with parking. Heol Treharn and Heol Coed Leyshon reporting that cars/work vans are being parked there from other streets. This is causing obstructions and no wheelchair/pram space. Concerns that no emergency services will be able to pass. Cars and vans are also parking on grass verges and ruining the grass.
* Issues continue with the public land on Oak Terrace. Where private parking signage is being displayed. This is public land and can be used by the community.
* Flowers have been purchased to decorate the village (receipt provided)
* The mowers have been serviced and returned (receipt provided)

1. **Cllr Gary Haines**

Cllr. Haines provided a report and update to LLCC. The Steel container has been removed. The area has been cleaned of all waste. The request for lighting and signage are still ongoing.

The Lampstand has been repaired along with the Shwt Bus Shelter.

He is still advocating that a public crossing is essential to the village.

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

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1. **Finance**

* The Accounts are currently being Audited.
* VAT 126 Claim Form submitted
* Problems with the bank and change of Clerk. The councillors signed banking form for change of details.
* Clerk to chase up the precept payment from BCBC.

1. **Public Participation**

None

1. **Any Other information**

None

1. **Items for June Meeting**

* Coytrahen Fun Day / Memorial Day
* Memorial Day Quotation/suggestions
* Repairs update
* Watercourse (ongoing)
* Precept payment
* Outcome of public meeting

1. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next council meeting will be held on Wednesday 26th of June at 6.00pm

Cllr. Jones gave his apologies for his absence at this meeting. Cllr. Faulkner will chair June’s meeting.

All Cllrs had no further business to discuss. The chairman thanked all in attendance for their contribution to this evening’s meeting.

The Chairman closed the meeting.

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