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Minutes of the Meeting of Cwmllynfell Community Council to be held at Rhiwfawr Hall / ZOOM on Thursday 21st March 2024

**Cllr M Scarll
Cllr H Jones
Cllr M Evans
Cllr H Lewis
Cllr H Williams
Cllr C James
Cllr D Thomas**

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr L Samon

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr C James declared a prejudicial interest in item 6 as a Member of the Planning Committee at NPTCBC and left the meeting whilst this item was in discussion

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd February 2024

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes as a true and accurate reflection of the meeting, subject to the inclusion of Cllr H Williams as an attendee.

4. Matters arising

a. Llynfell Skate Park

The Clerk advised that following the last meeting where Cllr A Llewellyn attended, he had contacted their playgrounds team to support the Community Council in the repairs and maintenance to the playground. They advised on a new part to be ordered for the Zip Line which was done and then they attended the site the following day to install the new part free of charge. The Clerk advised that they were very efficient in attending and supporting the Community Council. Members wished to thank the Officers and Cllr Llewellyn for their support.

Cllr A Llewellyn was also contacting the relevant teams to look at the overgrowth. The issue of the bins being emptied regularly will be resolved from the 1st April when the new grounds maintenance contract commences.

A Member raised a query in relation to the bins and queried their fitness for purpose as there were regular complaints of rubbish all over the park. The Clerk advised that as agreed at a previous meeting, the current bins would remain in situ until the commencement of the new grounds maintenance contract. She advised that the use of the bins would be monitored during the litter picks and emptying of the bins and feedback would be sought to see if more / larger bins were needed. It was thought that the current situation is down to the fact that the bins were not being emptied consistently.

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b. Grounds Maintenance Contract

The Clerk advised that Wrenvale had accepted the new contract and will formally start from the 1st April. They had however already attended the cemetery to address the overgrowth so that it will look presentable for psalm Sunday

5. Financial Matters

a. Payment of Accounts – March 2024

Sarah Daniel	Salary	693.41
HMRC	Income Tax	165.08
NEST	Pension	57.78
O2	Mobile Phone	13.20
Fenland Leisure Products Ltd	New Carriage for Zip Wire – Llynfell Skate Park	231.40
S Daniel	Easter Eggs – YGG Cwmllynfell x 65	78.00
Members x 6	Annual Remuneration	936.00

b. Grant Application

The clerk advised of a grant application received from a new Bowls team based in Cwmllynfell (Cwmllynfell Hall Bowls Club). The team had been created to sustain the local bowls club with a new team to help the village green stay alive and support young and upcoming players who would like to take up the sport. The purpose of the Grant was to purchase Shorts, trousers and Bowl Shoes so new Members are not put off taking up the sport due to the costs associated with the sport. The Clerk advised that the team were seeking £1829 and there was approx. £2,000 left in the grant pot before the financial year ends this month.

A Member noted the grant policy states that applications will be received between May and November. The Clerk confirmed this correct but advised that it was at Members discretion whether they wish to approve the grant and consider approving due to the underspend due to the lack of applications received throughout the year. She also advised Members should consider public perception in turning down a grant when there was underspend in that area.

Following discussion Members **RESOLVED** not to approve the grant and stated the team should re-apply in May

c. Members Allowance

The Clerk advised Members that in line with the Independent Remuneration Panel Wales report, Members were entitled to receive an annual remuneration for their duties of £156. If Members wish to opt out of receiving the payment they should advise the clerk for Audit purposes, otherwise, the payment would be paid directly into their bank accounts following receipt of their details.

6. Planning Matters

[P2024/0175](#)

Cwtch Farm Coedffaldau Road Rhiwfawr SA9 2RL

A Two-Storey Side Extension to a Detached Farm House providing additional accommodation with a new main front access, Kitchen & Master Bedroom.

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RESOLVED: No objections or comments received from Members

7. Reports

a. Borough Member update

Cllr C James advised of the following updates:

- NPTCBC Budget Meeting had approved a 7.9% increase in Council Tax
- Resurfacing works will take place on Rhiwfawr Road in the next couple of weeks
- Parking restrictions will be implemented on Railway Terrace
- Permission has been granted to close Brynaman Road for 3 weeks for the Coal Authority to undertake a road repair for subsidence

8. Date and Time of next meeting

18th April 2024 6.30PM, location TBC

9. Urgent Business

Please advise Clerk / Chairman of any business 24 hours before the meeting.

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