

**Cyngor Cymuned
Ystradfellte
Community Council**

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Dear Sir/Madam

You are summoned to attend the ordinary meeting of the Ystradfellte Community Council to be held remotely on Monday 4th October 2021 7.00 p.m. to transact the following business.

Dated this day 27th September 2021

1. Apologies
2. To confirm minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Community Council held on the 6th September 2021
3. Dyfed Powys Police
4. County Borough Council Matters
5. Matters Arising
6. Broadband
7. Correspondence
8. Planning Applications
9. Match Funding Waterfalls CIO
10. Accounts
11. Members Verbal Reports

Yours sincerely

Susan Harvey Powell
Clerk

To The Chairman and all members of Ystradfellte Community Council

Ystradfellte Community Council

Minutes of the meeting of Ystradfellte Community Council held remotely on 6th September 2021 at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Cllrs. H Patrick, K Bowman, C Woodley, L Cornish, G Reynolds, N Collins, D Thomas, Steve Ellis Broadway Partners, Inspector Gwyndaf Bowen, Dyfed Powys Police

Apologies: L Jones

2021/69 Minutes

The minutes were passed as a true record proposed by Cllr. Patrick and seconded by Cllr. Cornish

2021/70 Declaration of Interest

2021/77 Cllr. Cornish and Bowman declared an interest and left the meeting.

2021/71 Dyfed Powys Police

Inspector Gwyndaf Bowen attended the meeting on behalf of Dyfed Powys Police. Inspector Bowen lives in Defynnog as is aware of the traffic problems in this area. He said that he had attended meetings with James Lawrence of BBNP, N & PTCBC, RCT etc. This came as a surprise as during our June meeting James Lawrence agreed that a member of the community council would be invited to these meetings.

Mrs Powell reported that on August Bank Holiday Monday the road was gridlocked all day and she tried to report it to Dyfed Powys Police via 101 but they refused to log it saying it was not their problem. Inspector Bowen agreed that it should have been logged and he will speak to the department. P.C.S.O. Nicole Watkins asked the council to report all these traffic incidents to 101 during a community council meeting so that the problems could be logged, Cllr. Thomas also backed this up as he remembered her saying it during the meeting. Inspector Bowen said there is a major problem with staffing at present as some staff are self isolating. Cllr. Patrick said that we need to know who is responsible for traffic problems, the county council or the police.

Inspector Bowen said he was happy to meet with residents and councillors. Cllr. Thomas asked if volunteers could help, this could be a problem due to insurance. Cllr. Patrick said that the BBNPA wardens giving advice was working well. Advisory signs were suggested and Cllr. Bowen would be happy to give advice on this.

Cllr. Thomas thought the traffic proposals for Ystradfellte were a bit too much and needed community council input, he said they should not be excluded as there would be no leeway for decisions.

Cllr. Woodley asked why himself and Cllr. Cornish had not been invited to the BBNPA meetings with various organisations. Cllr. Reynolds proposed that the community council send an email to James Lawrence BBNPA asking why community councillors have been excluded from these meetings.

2021/72 County Borough Council

- a. Covid is still having an impact on services in Powys CC as staff are still self- isolating.
- b. An incident was reported recently at Dinas Rock when some rocks and trees came down. The golf club have been asked to do a full safety survey.
- c. Cllr. Thomas reported on the new traffic restrictions in Ystradfellte.
- d. Cllr. Thomas will be re-starting his advice surgeries in Ystradfellte and PNV.

2021/73 Matters Arising

- a. PNV Parking/Waterfall Country CIO – see below
- b. Multi-media meetings – Cllr. Patrick reported that One Voice Wales have said that Audit Wales would possible be reasonable towards those community council who do not have the technology in their meeting halls to hols multi-media meetings. Cllr. Collins asked if the next meeting could be face to face, Mrs Powell will contact Ystradfellte Church Hall as they have wifi. Cllr. Thomas agreed to join on Zoom to see how it will work.

2021/74 Broadband

Steve Ellis of Broadway Partners joined the meeting to discuss installing superfast broadband in the area using the Gigabit Scheme. He reported that they have 28 projects in Powys at present. They will need 30% of properties on board. Cllr. Woodley said that there are properties in the neighbouring community council area who may be interested. Cllr. Collins asked for reassurance that this company would cover all this area and not selective parts like a previous company. Cllr Reynolds asked if properties in the Glynneath area could also tag on to the project. Cllr. Collins was concerned that it may be spread too wide. Mr Ellis said their objective was to make broadband available to everyone and the tariffs would be the same for all residents.

A project group needs to be established via Facebook etc. Broadway will publish letters, leaflets etc. He will send copies to Cllr. Cornish. Mr Ellis then left the meeting.

Cllr. Woodley proposed that Broadway Partners be engaged for the Gigabit project, this was seconded by Cllr. Collins.

2021/75 Correspondence

- a. British Red Cross Hospital Discharge Survey
- b. Welsh Government Electoral Reform Newsletter
- c. Community Woodlands Grant
- d. Building More Low Carbons Homes
- e. Powys CHC meeting 9th September 2021

2021/76 Planning

No planning received

2021/77 Match Funding Waterfalls CIO

Cllr. Bowman and Cllr. Cornish declared an interest and left the meeting. The CIO have applied to Pen Y Cymoedd for £1500.00 and asked if the Community Council would match fund this. After discussion it was agreed that the CIO must put their request in writing and send a copy of their accounts.

2021/78 Accounts

Zoom	£14.39
Wages, Tax, Pension etc.	£298.84

Account Balances

Main Account	£11,109.05
High Interest	£1950.07
Ariel Account	£3120.93

2021/79 Members Verbal Reports

Nothing to report

The next meeting will be held at Ystradfellte Church Hall and on Zoom on Monday 4th October 2021 at 7.00 p.m.

This concluded the meeting, which the Chairman duly closed.

Signed Date.....

Chairman