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**Minutes of Meeting of Cornelly Community Council
held at Cornelly Community Centre
on 22nd May 2024 at 6.30pm**

Chair: Cllr Mr R Granville

Members: Cllrs Mrs J Granville (Vice Chair), Mrs S Bennett, Mrs H Kavanagh, Mr D Morgan, Mr S Parker, Miss L Pritchard, Mrs E Winstanley

Members of the public in attendance: Adrian Edwards, Guy Smith – BCBC (remote)

ITEM

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr P Page

2. Questions / Observations from the Public

Adrian Edwards attended as he wished to raise an objection to a recent planning application at Marlas Farm.

Cllr R Granville left the meeting.

Cllr Winstanley advised that the Community Council had discussed this at the last meeting and comments were made at that time, If he wished to make his own comments, he should go directly to BCBC as this was not the remit of the Community Council.

Mr Edwards left the meeting.

Cllr R Granville returned to the meeting.

3. Declarations of Interest in accordance with Section 51 of the Local Government Act 2000. Any interests to be declared as items arise throughout the meeting

3.1 Cllr Winstanley declared a personal interest in the Tackling Crime Together report as she had attended the meeting. Cllrs Parker, R Granville and L Pritchard had also attended this meeting.

Guy Smith joined the meeting remotely

4. Draft lease for Long Term Community Asset Transfer of the Centre and Cornelly Cross Playground and the Enhancement of Green Area at Cornelly Community Centre, including discussion with Guy Smith

4.1 Cllr R Granville queried with Guy Smith about the National Non-Domestic Rates (NNDR) that the Community Council had recently received a bill for in relation to the Cornelly Community Centre. Guy Smith advised that there has been a change of regime regarding rates since April 2024 after a change from Welsh Government and advised that the Community Council query this with the Ratings Team and suggested that a member referral be made by Cllr R Granville for this. Cllr Parker proposed that the monthly payments to date be made and continue to make enquires about the rates. Seconded by Cllr J Granville.

ACTION

4.2 Cllr R Granville asked Guy Smith about the skatepark and the outdoor gym that the Council would like to have installed in the park. Guy Smith advised that Planning permission would be required and advised that residents' consultation and noise assessments are needed with this. Landlord's consent would also be needed. Clerk advised that she had been involved with officers from Reach for the tender evaluation for the Feasibility Study and consultation for the park. A decision had been made and this will be starting shortly once contractors are appointed.

4.3 Cllr Parker asked about the longer term of the lease. Guy Smith advised that this is done on a case-to-case basis.

4.4 Cllr R Granville reported to Guy Smith that he had been approached by the Football Club about permission for the CCTV. Guy Smith advised this request is sent to the Parks Department as the CCTV was already installed and awaiting connection.

Guy Smith left the meeting at 7pm.

4.4 Cllr Morgan queried the public consultation and what the result would be. Cllr R Granville stated that this has to be managed within expectations. Cllr J Granville stated that the Community Councillors were there to represent the residents. Cllr Bennett suggested putting in 2 applications under the next round of Town & Community Council Funding, one for the outdoor gym and one for accessible play equipment.

4.5 Cllr Bennett suggested contacting BAVO about any activities to be held over the summer for youth. Clerk to write to them. Also to contact the Youth Bus to see if they are able to come to Cornelly. Will need to find out most suitable day when the Community Centre is available for that.

5. To approve as correct record thereof Minutes of Council Meeting held on 24th April 2024

Agreed as a true and accurate record. Proposed by Cllr Parker and seconded by Cllr J Granville to accept minutes. Chair duly signed the minutes.

6. Matters arising from minutes of Council meeting held on 24th April 2024

6.1 Clerk reported that the crime figures had been received and forwarded to members. Discussion held about this.

6.2 Clerk reported a site meeting had been held with Geoff Whittington and new contractor, who has agreed to do the remedial work to the paths in the near future.

6.3 Clerk advised that a site meeting had been held with Sion Carr, Total Ground Care Ltd about the flower bed. They do not carry out work with planting flowers. Clerk to look into alternative options, including a resin base incorporating the Community Council logo.

6.4 Cllr R Granville reported that at the last Environmental Working Group, it was agreed to ask 2 members to join the Working Group. Clerk advised that Strinda Davies has responded to say she would like to join, and awaiting contact from the other, Gavin Harvey. Clerk to contact by phone.

7. Update from Borough Council Members

7.1 Cllr Winstanley reported that the new Leader of BCBC is Cllr John Spanswick and Cllr Jane Gebbie is Deputy Leader. New Cabinets have been decided. (Appendix 1). Leader has asked that Cabinet members are contacted directly if there are any ongoing issues.

7.2 Cllr R Granville reported that he is the Chair of the Planning Committee. Awaiting list of all committee members and is also a member of the Cwm Taf Scrutiny Committee. More member training to be done.

7.3 Cllr R Granville continues to walk around Cornelly and report any issues.

8. Accounts Payable & Financial Update

8.1 Members had previously been provided with financial information and accounts payable to date. Proposed by Cllr Winstanley and seconded by Cllr J Granville to accept as correct.

8.2 Cllr Parker requested that an additional line be inserted on the accounts spreadsheet to separate the Allotments Bond Refunds from the Allotments.

8.2 The following accounts were payable:

Payee	Date	Amount £	Payment
HMRC (PAYE & NIC)	25th April 2024	£2,630.99	DD
Ysgol y Ferch O'r Sger (Grant)	25th April 2024	£1,412.39	BACS
N Furness-Jones (Christmas Event)	25th April 2024	£120.00	BACS

AW Plumbing (Public Hall Maintenance)	25th April 2024	£360.00	BACS
Springvale Weather (Community Centre Maintenance)	25th April 2024	£224.40	BACS
Propest (Mawdlam Allotments - Pest Control)	25th April 2024	£80.00	BACS
J Murphy (Clerk's Salary)	26th April 2024	xxxx	BACS
One Voice Wales (Training)	30th April 2024	£40.00	BACS
Lorne Stewart (Boiler Service)	30th April 2024	£224.33	BACS
Lorne Stewart (Boiler Fault)	30th April 2024	£381.00	BACS
Zoom (Office Supplies)	30th April 2024	£15.59	DD
RCT (LGPS Pension)	3rd May 2024	£783.57	BACS
True Potential (Pension)	7th May 2024	£94.01	DD
PJ Landscapes (Footpaths)	9th May 2024	£1,500.00	BACS
Clerk's Telephone (Airtime Plan)	10th May 2024	£14.02	DD
Clerk's Telephone (Device Plan)	13th May 2024	£5.75	DD

9. Matters relating to Cornelly Community Centre

9.1 Financial information had been provided to members prior to the meeting.

9.2 Clerk advised the external glass and food recycling bins have not yet been received from Plan B.

9.3 Clerk had a meeting with Peter Draper for the Energy Efficiency Survey. Few verbal recommendations made which would take several years to recoup. Awaiting written report.

9.5 Two new toilet seats have been purchased for the ladies' toilets.

9.6 Contact has been made with Initial regarding the washroom facilities. Amendments of the contract to be done by end of July 2024. New soap dispensers and soap to be purchased for Community Centre. Proposed by Cllr Pritchard and seconded by Cllr Parker to pay for these,

9.7 Reported that the waste and recycling removal issues at the Community Centre is the same as being faced by residents.

10. Matters relating to Cornelly Public Hall

10.1 Financial information had been provided to members prior to the meeting.

10.2 Update received from Alan Morgan, St David's Fire about the fire doors. He is expecting delivery of them at any time and will contact to arrange installation when received.

10.3 Clerk updated members on the Caretaker role and advised that a HR Committee meeting is required urgently. This will be arranged for next week.

11. Tackling Crime Together Meeting: Report

11.1 This report was read. Councillors have been involved and the how to report crime details has been shared on Social Media. Cllr Winstanley stated that there is a lack of police in the area as there is a large area to be covered. The vehicle crime has reduced since April.

11.2 Cllr R Granville advised that an operation had taken place with plain clothes officers attempting to break into cars to see how many reports were made. This was very low.

11.3 Cllr Parker suggested adding details into the newsletter on how to report crimes.

11.4 Clerk to continue to invite officers from SW Police to the Community Council meetings.

11.5 Cllrs Winstanley and R Granville had attended the PACT meeting on 16th May. Next one is in July. Details of this to be added to the newsletter, social media and noticeboard.

12. Correspondence

Following correspondence has been received and noted by all members:

12.1 BCBC – Additional round of Town & Community Council Funding

12.2 BCBC – Footpath at Kenfig – Andrew Mason to reimburse payment

- 12.3 Ron Bailey, Researcher for Lord (Don) Foster – Campaign for Safety of Lithium Batteries
- 12.4 Afon-Y-Felin Primary School – Photos of trip to Principality Stadium for pupils to watch Wales Women’s Rugby, helped by donation from Community Council
- 12.5 Bridgend Samaritans – Invite to AGM on 26th June 2024
- 12.6 Mari Major – Reminder of Morgannwg Endeavour Charity Golf Event
- 12.7 Resident – Public Footways in Broadlands Estate, North Cornelly
- 12.8 One Voice Wales:
- Draft Minute of Bridgend, Cardiff & Vale Area meeting held on 22nd April 2024
 - Welsh Government Free Places Scheme – Sessions May to June 2024
 - Webinar: Is the Cost of Living Crisis over? – Session 23rd May 2024
 - Report on Recruitment and Retention of Clerks/RFOs
- 12.9 Grant Applications:
- KPC Youth – Request for funding for staff for 6 months. Unanimous decision to reject as Grants Policy states that no staff costs can be covered.
 - Cornelly Knit & Crochet Group – Request for £250 for materials to make postbox covers. – Agreed to consider once a bank statement has been received, in line with current Grants Policy.

12.10 Invoices received

Payee	Amount	Invoice	Proposed	Seconded
Propest	£80.00	Pest Control - Allotment	Cllr Parker	Cllr Bennett
Propest	£40.00	Pest Control – Community Centre	Cllr Parker	Cllr Bennett
Amman Valley Catering	£450.00	Dishwasher Service	Cllr Parker	Cllr Winstanley
Service Control Engineering	£102.00	PAT Testing	Cllr Winstanley	Cllr Pritchard
PJ Landscapes	£1500	Footpaths	Cllr Parker	Cllr Bennett
PJ Landscapes	£560.00	Hanging Baskets	Cllr Winstanley	Cllr Bennett
Plan B	£102.00	Duty of Care charge	Cllr Bennett	Cllr Pritchard

- 12.11 Invoice from Plan B for Waste Removal for May 2024 – Agreed by members to wait until waste and recycling has been removed before payment is made.

13 . Members/Clerk’s Report

13.1 Clerk’s Report

- 13.1.1 Audit is progressing with the internal auditor. Advised that more comprehensive method of reporting is required and advice to be sought from One Voice Wales.
- 13.1.2 Awaiting written confirmation from Liam Ward, BCBC about the costings for the Christmas trees and lights. It will be possible to have the Christmas tree moved into the park, which will incur an initial cost, and also one in Lon y Cariadon.
- 13.1.3 Clerk will be attending the Finance and Governance Toolkit training on 29th May 2024.
- 13.1.4 No response from Valleys to Coast with any queries.
- 13.1.5 Hanging baskets have been put up in the Cornelly area.
- 13.1.6 Query from Craft Group if they are able to have a table at the Christmas event. All members agreed to this request.

13.2 Members Reports

- 13.2.1 Cllr J Granville received a request that a seat be installed inside the bus shelter at Yr Ynys and one on the area opposite. Proposed by Cllr Winstanley and seconded by Cllr Pritchard to look into costs of metal galvanised seats.
- 13.2.3 Cllr Pritchard reported that there are no dropped kerbs near the bus stop in Ffordd yr Eglwys. She has enquired with BCBC who advised that plans are in place for this to be done.
- 13.2.4 Cllr Kavanagh reported that delivery vans are parking outside the shop in Heol Las making it hard to pedestrians. This is also happening outside the other shops in the village. Proposed by Cllr Bennett and seconded by Cllr Kavanagh that a polite letter be written to the shops to ask that the drivers be more considerate when making their deliveries.
- 13.2.5 Cllr Kavanagh reported that she had attended the information and guidance session on Biodiversity with One Voice Wales. Information sheets provided had already been forwarded onto members by the Clerk.

14. Highway Matters

14.1 Cllr R Granville continuing to walk around the area and take photos of any problems and report directly to BCBC. Meadow Street is currently being worked on and Hall Drive and School Terrace are also to be done.

14.2 Cllr R Granville reported that there are extra humps and traffic lights to be installed in South Cornelly.

14.3 Cllr R Granville wants a site visit with the Clerk and SWTRA to see if the hedge from South Cornelly to Heol Broom can be cut right back.

15. Allotments Update

15.1 Cllr Parker reported that an allotments inspection had taken place on 7th May 2024. Letters had been sent to 4 Plot holders to advise work was needed on their plots. This has been done and plots have been worked on.

15.2 Cllr Parker was contacted by a Plot holder with regard to fencing around a plot. This was inspected and found to be shuttering, and another with rope fencing. No hazards were found. No further action to be taken.

16. Rights of Way and Footpaths Update

Cllr R Granville reported there will be a LAF meeting soon and that the issue of bikes on footpaths will be on the agenda. Some footpaths and bridleways on the common will be closed and a definitive map to be drawn up following public consultation.

16. Environment Working Group Update

Cllr Kavanagh reported that Strinda Davies will be joining the Working Group and the date of the next meeting is to be set for late June or early July.

Cllr R Granville left the meeting

18. Planning Applications:

- **Application No. P/24/224/FUL** – Demolition of rear conservatory and construction of single storey extension at 15 Long Meadow, North Cornelly CF33 4PX (**previously passed to members by e-mail**) – **No objections from members**
- **Application No. P/24/31/FUL** – Detached dwelling including access and parking at Land south of Angel Inn, off Heol Las, Maudlam CF33 4PG (**previously passed to members by e-mail**) – **No objections from members**
- **Application No. P/24/202/FUL** – Single storey garage at 34 Cigant y Lein, North Cornelly CF33 4AQ (**previously passed to members by e-mail**) – **No objections from members**

20. Date of Next meeting

The next meeting will be on 26th June 2024 at 6.30pm.

Meeting closed 9.00pm

_____ Chair's Signature _____ Date