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**Minutes of the meeting of the Mawr Community Council held at Felindre Welfare Hall on 24th February 2020 at 7pm. For the transaction of the following business:**

**Present:** Chair L Frame, P Northcote, G Morgan, I Price, T Roberts, D Galloni

# APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

**24/2020**

**J Sterio, J Hallett**

1. **TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**None**

1. **Reports from the County Councillor**

**25/2020**

The County Councillor was in attendance:

Cllr Rowlands is putting in a bid to get around another 6 defibrillators across Mawr and asked if they would like one outside Felindre Hall.

The landslide in CCP should be cleared next week by CCS.

Re Street Lighting in Bwlch Gwn it is with Western Power at the moment.

Cllr Morgan advised that he had been in contact with them also.

The Schools in Felindre and CCP went to auction on 13th Feb, Felindre was sold, CCP did not meet the guide price but CCS may take a lower price or it could go back to auction, she will keep us advised.

Cllr Morgan also asked where the best place to send the street lighting letter were and Cllr Rowlands advised.

1. **Public Forum**

**26/2020**

A member of Garnswllt Hall Committee was asked about the football field in Garnswllt.

He advised that Betws Rugby Club used to use the pitch occasionally and would the Council Contact them to see if they would still like to use the field.

Would the council also consider moving the existing goal posts to the centre of the field so that tress could be planted around them.

Councillors agreed to look at the set up in the field at the next meeting in Garnswllt.

1. **Presentation by Mr N Barry – Horticulture Trainer**

Mr Barry had been working with Swansea green spaces project and had helped set up the community growing garden in Clydach, the garden had thrived over the past year. The garden is open every Wednesday from 10-12pm and each week around 10 to 15 volunteers meet up.

The garden not only provides some fruit and vegetables for the community but also provides lots of social benefits for the volunteers including physical and mental wellbeing. They had been lucky enough to be provided a poly tunnel from the National Botanical Garden in Carmarthenshire so the garden can be accessed in all weathers.

Mawr Community Council have approached Mr Barry with regards to the possibility of setting up a community garden in CCP next to the proposed playground off Ffordd Ellen.

Mr Barry advised that the area had good potential but before funding would be given a full community consultation would have to take place to ensure that there would be enough local interest.

Renew wales is government funded, they could visit the site and help put an action plan together.

The group would need its own Public Liability insurance to protect the volunteers and the area would need to be locked to keep it safe when not in use.

1. **Confirmation of the accuracy of the minutes**

**27/2020**

**Resolved: Minutes from the last meeting were agreed – All in Favour**

1. **Matters rising from the minutes**

**28/2020**

*Action: County Councillor to contact estates department re school*

*closure to see if any monies could be given to the playground fund – Councillor Advised no money will be given by CCS*

*Chase Boiler quotes for CCP - completed*

*Chase Felindre Risk assessment on the damage to the toilet wall - completed*

*Clerk to chase Welsh Water*

*Clerk to write letters of congratulations to both hall committees - completed*

1. **Central Heating upgrade in CCP Hall**

**29/2020**

Quotations were received in respect of updating the central heating as follows:

Precision - £8,530

Mackenzie - £9,550

Warmserve - £11,269

**Resolved: Work to commence using Precision Plumbing in the sum of £8,530 – All in favour**

1. **Notice board for land off Ffordd Ellen - CCP**

**30/2020**

The council discussed funding a citing a new notice board in Ffordd Ellen field to keep the public up to date with the playground development and other local information.

**Resolved: The council will purchase a new notice board for the field off Ffordd Ellen, CCP Clerk to look into costing for the new notice board – All in Favour**

*Action- notice board replacement in Garnswllt bus stop on next agenda*

1. **Felindre Cleaning Hours**

**31/2020**

**Resolved: Cleaning in Felindre to be 2 hours per week going forward – All in Favour**

1. **VAT claim 18/19**

**32/2020**

**Resolved: The VAT claim for the 18/19 period is approved by council in the sum of £1729.02– All in Favour**

*Clerk to Speak to groundsman to see if existing frames can be utilized*

1. **Reports from Committees, Sub Committees and Working Parties**

**33/2020**

The Health and safety committee have undertaken a fire risk assessment pf Garnswllt Hall following complaints from the hall committee

11 items need to be actioned including some electrical work, new emergency exit doors by the kitchen, repairs to emergency doors in the main hall and P.A.T Testing

It was noted that the council would need help from Garnswllt Hall committee in arranging all the work that need to be undertaken in the hall.

It would be good practice if any hall projects that were being worked on by the hall committees or by the council would be communicated to each other so that each party can be kept up to date.

*Action: Clerk to get 3 quotes for the fire door repairs and replacement and quotes for electrical work asap.*

1. **Report from the Chairperson**

**34/2020**

Cllr Frame:

A visit to Blaenafyn Council will be arranged on a Tuesday or a Thursday for those that want to attend re grants.

Grass Cutting – The weather has been very poor so the grass has been unable to be cut in Garnswllt but once it dries out the grass will be cut shorter so that football can be played on the field.

To sell the small plot of land in CCP the council first needs a notice of motion, therefore if the Councillors want this added to the agenda at least 3 Councillors need to email the clerk.

This will also apply to changing the standing orders so that the council can make amendments to the public forum.

CCP Hall has sufficient funds in the grant received to ensure the drainage for the new kitchen is adequate.

The Kick Boxing Group have left CCP Hall giving no notice and have and also left arearers owed to the hall for rental.

*Action: Clerk to prepare Bio Diversity Plan and look into fields in trust status*

1. **Report from the Clerk**

**None**

1. **Report from the Community Councillors**

**35/2020**

**Cllr Morgan –** Talks with the local football club re use of the field in Felindre are still ongoing. Letters have been collected from the residents re Bwlch Gwin lightning.

*Action: Invite PCSO to next meeting*

**Cllr Price** – Can dogs use field in Garnswllt, this was discussed and

the council advised that no dogs were to be allowed on the field as

children play in the field.

1. **To Consider Planning Applications**

**36/2020**

**Re Solar Farm in CCP**

Clerk to respond as follows:

Although a precent has been set there should be a limit of the amount of solar fams in the area, there needs to be a pragmatic approach to enable the farm land to mix in with the solar panels**.**

Also clerk to ask how long the panels will be in situ

1. **Correspondence**

**None**

1. **Financial Report and Presentation of Payments to be Made**

**37/200**

**Suspend standing orders 9pm – all in Favour**

**38/2020**

Financial Reports for February 2020 were reviewed and approved

**Resolved: That the accounts, reconciliation, and payments for February 2020 have been reviewed and approved.**

**Motion carried - All in favour**

1. **Staff Matters**

**None**

1. **Date and Time of Next Meetings**

**39/2020**

**23rd March 2020 – Garnswllt Hall – 7pm**

**27th April 2020 – Felindre Hall – 7pm**

**18th May 2020 – Craig Cefn Parc Welfare Hall – 7pm**

**29th June 2020 – Garnswllt Welfare Hall – 7pm**

**27th July 2020 – Felindre Welfare Hall – 7pm**

**Meeting Closed at 9.30pm**

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**Rachel Bull - Clerk**