Minutes of the Community Council meeting held on Wednesday 22nd January 2025 in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Present; Cllr’s Clare Rooke, Sheena Duller, Jannine Edwards, Alan Wilkinson.

Also present was Councillor Wyn Evans.

Apologies were received from Cllr’s Gwyneth Davies, Christian Pateman and Ifan Jones Evans and PCSO John Evans.

**Matters Arising,**

**Planning Application Crud yr Awel;** The clerk reported that he had received an email from Mr Laurence Dowden informing the community council that planning on the Shepherds Hut had been granted with certain restrictions they have to abide to. Mr Dowden was grateful for the support received from the community council.

**Cynnal y Cardi Project;** The clerk reported that the closing date for the project had now closed. All documentation including financial report have to be completed by the 31st January. Not all the allocated grant funding was spent on the project, due to thew nature of the work involved being in the garden the conditions throughout the year has not been favourable and ground conditions too wet for any machinery to work there is still many things that need completing. Hopefully this can be achieved in 2025.

**Financial Report;** The clerk reported that all Cynnal y Cardi grant payments had now cleared and money had been received into the account.

The clerk reported that there was £4284.71 in the Current Account and £2543.37 in the Business Reserve Account. The clerk expressed his concern once again about the amount of money in the current account.

**Audit Wales;** The clerk reported that the audit fore 2023-24 has finally been approved by Audit Wales. An invoice for £200.00 has been received. The clerk mentioned that Audit Wales are now asking questions about the 2021-22 audit that they are looking at.

**Precept;** Ceredigion County Council need to know the amount of precept required for 2025-26 before the 31st January. All present agreed on the sum of £2500.00.

**Planning Application;** Cllr Alan Wilkinson expressed an interest in this application and left the room for a period. The clerk reported that the planning application for a dwelling applied for by Alan Wilkinson has been passed.

**Public Footpaths and Bridleways;** an email was received from Ms Gill Ogden concerned that stiles and signage for public footpaths. She also mentioned that landowners were preventing access to these footpaths. Also asking for the community council to provide maps of the footpaths in this community. The clerk mentioned that all footpaths are available on Ceredigion website. With regard to signage, we will get in touch with Ceredigion County Council.

**Salt Bins;** Cllr Gwyneth Davies has emailed in asking if the grit bin on the road from New row to Pontrhydygroes can be re-filled. Whilst on the subject of grit bins could a request be sent to Ceredigion for a grit bin on the road leading off the B4343 towards Penrodyn and als the possibility of another grit bin just below the garage in Pontrhydygroes. The clerk mentioned that community councils can now purchase grit bins through Ceredigion.

**Defibrillator;** The clerk reminded the councillors that the defibrillator given to the community still hasn’t been put in place. The location decided upon was near the bus stop in Ysbyty Ystwyth.

A report was received from PCSO John Evans as he could not attend the meeting. There were no reports of Burglary, Criminal Damage, Theft, Anti Social Behaviour or violence/assault in this community. However there had been some reports of Fraud/scam in the area and people were warned to be vigilant.