**Minutes of the Community Council meeting held on Wednesday 21th June 2023 in the village hall.**

Present, Cllr’s Gwyneth Davies (Chair), Clare Rooke, Amanda Williams, Christian Pateman, Alan Wilkinson and Sheena Duller

Apologies were received from Cllrs. Matthew Sims, Ifan Jones Evans, the Clerk, Ian Williams and Cllr Wyn Evans.

2 members of the public observed the meeting.

Minutes of the previous meeting were agreed to be a true record, proposed by Cllr Sheena Duller and seconded by Cllr Clare Rooke.

**Matters Arising**

**Coffee Mornings**. This Wednesday morning event continues to be well supported and is proving to be an important and useful way for people to informally meet up with established and new members of the community, providing a nice safe atmosphere of inclusion.

**Defibrillator for New Row.** Following consultation with the New Row residents and bearing in mind restrictions of where the defibrillator can be placed near a highway, the final position will be against the West side of the bus stop. Cllr Chris Pateman to organise.

**Hall Garden.**  The clerk has ordered two picnic tables for the garden, they are made of recycled plastic and are of an accessible seating design. They are expected to arrive on the 14th July.

Other ideas for the garden have included a tube tunnel, a slide on the bank and trampolines set into the ground. Now that we have strong evidence of community consultation we shall re apply to the ‘Awards for All’ fund.

**Telecomms Mast near Llethr Villa.** Correspondence was received from Ben Lake. The response from RSPB concerning the Red Kite nest in adjacent trees was also read out.

**C1115 from Pontrhydygroes to Llanafan**, We are informed that TTS has been awarded the contract to repair the riverbank supporting the road, and to carry out additional proactive work upstream. Work is due to commence on the 1st July with a planned duration of 8 weeks.

**St John’s Church**. Further to the open meeting, held prior to the Community Council meeting, it was agreed that a mail shot was needed to inform those who contribute to the maintenance of the churchyard - Cronfa’r Llan group - of the details of the proposed sale.

**Improved Public Transport** At the last CC meeting Cllr Wyn Evans had informed the councilors that there will be a motion put to cabinet for improved transport.

**War Memorial**. Kieran has completed the tidy up and general maintenance of the War memorial; all agreed it looked much improved.

**Planning**. Planning notification has been received for minor works and listed building consent (App Nos. A230384 and A230385) at Mount Hazel, Pontrhydygroes.

**AOB**

Jen Jones read out the response she had received from Ben Lake, MP, outlining the actions he had been taking regarding the proposed telecom mast.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday the 19th July 2023.