Minutes of the Community Council meeting held on Wednesday 18th October 2023 in the Village Hall.

Present; Cllr’s Gwyneth Davies, Alan Wilkinson, Clare Rooke, Christian Pateman, Sheena Duller.

Apologies were received from Cllr Amanda Williams and Cllr Wyn Evans.

Also present was PCSO John Evans.

Minutes of the previous meeting were agreed to be a true record and approved by Cllr Christian Pateman and seconded by Cllr Sheena Duller.

**Matters Arising.**

**New Row Defibrillator,** there has been no emails or messages from the residents of New Row since the fitting of the shield over the defibrillator. The matter is now closed.

**National Trust Questionnaire.** The questionnaire regarding the National Trust’s 10-year plan for Hafod was completed by the community council and returned to the consultancy group. There has not been a reply.

**Financial Report.** The clerk reported that there was £2194.06 in the current account and £2496.97 in the Reserve account.

**Vacant Seat.** The clerk reported that he had not received any names for the vacant seat from the posters displayed. As there was no interest the councillors can ask someone if they would be interested in filling the vacant seat. The clerk mentioned he had spoken with one resident, Jannine Edwards who did show an interest in the post. The councillors agreed that the clerk approach Miss.Edwards again and confirm if she is interested.

**Community website.** The clerk reported that he is still working on the new website. Hopefully it will be live before Christmas.

**AOB.**

**Planning Enquiry.** It was reported to the Community Council that a Shepherds Hut built at Crud yr Awel, Pontrhydygroes is now being advertised as a holiday let on a well-known website. The community council were asked to enquire with the planning department whether a planning application should have been applied for such a building, as there is no recollection of seeing one. The clerk will make enquiries.

**Planning Applications.** A planning application for the erection of a dwelling on a site near to Hafoty, Ponthydygroes was received. Cllr Christian Pateman declared an interest and as this was the last item on the Agenda asked if he could leave after a brief discussion the councillors had no objection to the application.

**Awards for All Grant.** Cllr Gwyneth Davies mentioned that there is a new Awards for All grant coming up in November with applications up to £20,000.00. as the community council have applied before unsuccessfully it was decided to re-apply for the £10,000.00, we had previously asked for. The community council now has more data gathering and evidence of need from events held over the past 12 months to make the application stronger. Cllr Davies is happy to start the application.

**Report from PCSO John Evans.** The PCSO reported that there had been some anti-social behaviour in this community to do with receiving deliveries. There have been no reports of burglaries and the damage to the new 20mph speed limit signs has gone quiet. Cllr Christian Pateman asked why nobody from the police had been to visit him regarding the theft of items of plant machinery at the beginning of this year. The theft was reported and logged but no further contact has been made. PCSO Evans said he would investigate this.

**There was no other business, next meeting in November.**