

## **Clyne and Melincourt Community Council**

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting held on Monday 31st Mar25, at Clyne Community Centre, at 6.00pm

**Present:** K. Thomas (Clerk) and Cllrs J. Golding, M. Coslett , L. Hadley, Lucy Hadley

### **AGENDA ITEM 1 - Chair's Opening Remarks**

Meeting opened at 18.10 p.m. Vice Chair welcomed residents to the meeting.

**AGENDA ITEM 2 - Apologies:** Cllr J Davies, C Lake, G Kerrison ( arrived late)

**AGENDA ITEM 3 - Declaration of Interest: None**

### **AGENDA ITEM 4 To Approve Minutes of Meetings as a true record**

Meeting held on 25th Feb25

Minutes approval proposed by Lynfa Hadley., Seconded by Lucy Hadley

### **AGENDA ITEM 5 MATTERS ARISING**

Matters arising from meeting held on Monday 25th Feb25

- a) **26July23/202 Tiny Tree Farm - Ongoing**
- b) **11/24 Lock at Cyd Terrace - No further updates at present.**
- c) **16/24 The Ganu - Communication is currently ongoing .Council are awaiting an email from the trustees to finalise the decision made**
- d) **38/24 Hill Street Park - Access to the park safe at present. The issues with dogs fouling in the park have now hopefully been resolved. New baby swings have also been installed**
- e) **50/24 Dog Bin, Cyd Terrace - A map has now been drawn for all bins within our ward. Cllr Hadley is currently working with Cllr Lewis in the best places for the bins to be evenly distributed throughout the villages.**
- f) **51/24 Council Community Surgery - The next Council Community Surgery will be held on Wed 16th April, at Clyne Community Centre, between 12p.m until 2p.m**
- g) **45/24 Update on Bryn Golwg Park - We are currently awaiting confirmation on the success of the grant . Cllr Lucy Hadley to update**

**h) 1/25 Old Melincourt Park Site** - Plans are now being put in place to return this land to a usable condition. Over the coming months work will begin to clear the debris and treat the overgrowth. This is the beginning of a lengthy project and we appreciate your patience and support. Quotes to clear the knotweed have been received. Councillors discussed the quotes in detail. Cllr Coslett proposed that we accepted the quote, seconded by Cllr Lucy Hadley. Quote accepted with a unanimous vote (1a/25)

**i) 2/25 Food Poverty Grant** - Cllr Hadley and Cllr Coslett were successful in acquiring a grant that allowed us to update appliances in our kitchen at Clyne Community Centre, along with tables, games and activities for community use. Cllr Golding, Cllr Lucy Hadley, Lynfa Hadley and with help from their family, transformed the kitchen and store room into more organised and functional rooms for future use. The council would like to thank them all for their efforts

**j) 3/25 Letter received from Friends of Clyne & Melincourt**

A letter has been received from the group in regards to confrontation between the group members and Cllr Kerrison. They have asked that Cllr Kerrison is not directly involved in any correspondence with the group and that he no longer opens/closes the Community Centre for any future events. This has been discussed by the Council as a whole. The council has discussed this issue with Cllr Kerrison, stating that his behaviour is unacceptable going forward and goes against our Code of Conduct/ safeguarding policy. Mr Kerrison will not be the key holder for any future events with this group

**AGENDA ITEM 6 -Financial Report**

- Council unanimously agreed to a debit card being issued - highlighted by RFO & Grant Chair having to use personal cards to make purchases online for the Food Poverty Grant (4/25)
- Financial Regulations Policy to be amended to allow - clause 6.3 and 6.15 to be deleted (5/25)
- Council approved Cllr Allowances for 2025/6 - £500 to Vice Chair & Grant Chair plus one other Cllr claimed £150 of mandatory allowance - allowances to be paid quarterly in arrears (6/25)
- Noted that a FULL AUDIT of the council will take place for 2024/2025 Accounts that entails a lot more work

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21- Feb	<b>Balance as per Bank</b>			<b>-8,166.14</b>
	March Precept			-2,666.66
	Staff Costs			1,300.00
	Hall			596.90
	Hall Hire			-90.00
	Parks			710.75
	Misc			194.94
	V.A.T.			606.08
	Food Poverty Grant			-2,214.00
	Grant Purchases excl.VAT			1,776.28
				-7,951.85
	<b>Provisions</b>			
	Hall Painting			50.00
	Knotweed Treatment			2,500.00
29- Mar	<b>Balance as per Bank</b>			<b>-5,401.85</b>

### Any Other Business

- Mrs Wendy Thomas spoke to the Council in regards to the VE day celebrations in May being organised by The Friends Of Clyne and Melincourt. Mrs Thomas asked that the council would consider gifting the use of the hall on this day. Council to discuss
- A discussion was had with Mr Francis and his daughter Helen in regards to the website and the removal of the words 'alternate meetings' from the website front page. Cllr Coslett explained that the editing of this wording was actioned in regards to the days meetings were held and in no way meant that meetings would no longer be held in Melincourt.

**The next Community Council meeting will be held on 28th April 25 at The Ganu Melincourt**

Meeting closed at 19.25p.m

K.Thomas (Clerk of Council)