Minutes of the meeting of Meidrim Community Council held on Tuesday 31st October 2023.

Present:

Vice Chairperson: Selwyn Runnett.

Councillors: R. Crane, D. Robinson. B. Thomas. D. Mason. E. Gadd.

Clerk to the Council and minutes: Sue Milligan.

**1. Apologies:**

Cllrs: M Barnikel, S Kind. CCllr J Lewis.

**2. Minutes of the meeting 26th September 2023.**

These were accepted as a true record.

**3. Public Question Time.**

No one present.

**4. Reports:**

(a) Report from County Councillor.

No update. Carry over to next meeting.

Enforcement issues – Meidrim to St. Clears **–** update received from CCC and shared with MCC prior to meeting. CCllr has written back reiterating issues and concerns. Awaiting response.

Broadway Partners Broadband **-** no update to date.

(b) Meidrim and District Welfare Committee.

A number of fundraising projects in the pipeline but enough funds to maintain play area are a concern. Welfare Committee have written to MCC for support, this was discussed at the meeting, and all agreed that ownership of the play area should remain within the community despite rising costs of repairs, maintenance etc. Work with Welfare Committee to support this.

Cllrs Thomas and Gadd to work together to raise profile of village Facebook page in order to advertise fundraising projects.

Consider requirements for MCC 2024/25 budget and then discuss again.

(c) Ysgol Meidrim.

31 children now at the school. New teacher settled in and is asset to the school. Christmas concert being planned, and the children will sing in the village when lights are switched on - 1/12/2023.

(d) One Voice Wales.

Meeting 26th October 2023. Nothing to report though Clerk will share any relevant information when appropriate.

**5. Matters Arising:**

**Enforcement Meidrim-St. Clears:** Ongoing. No update.

**Broadband:** Ongoing. No update.

**TRO- Traffic Regulation Order:** No progress due to backlog of work. No update.

**Public Conveniences/Car Park/Bus shelter:**

Cllr Thomas has discussed maintenance of PCs with Glyn and has bought some toilet items.

Clerk to arrange for new notices of contact for PCs and notice board i.e. Cllr Thomas.

Clerk to purchase new Perspex for left notice board.

Cllr Crane to speak to Cllr Kind about notice board being too difficult to open.

Riverside bench needs to be replaced – No update carry forward to next meeting.

**Environment Working Group:**

Set up in the New Year. Clerk to share any OVW correspondence relating to environmental issues.

**Village Green:**

CCllr to go back to obtain further details re: effect Equality Act has on access to Green. Awaiting update.

Cllr Crane said the green is very wet at present. Discussed issue of cars driving on green Cllr Runnett to look at situation and liaise with CCllr Lewis ref: Equality Act.

**Public footpaths:**

Cllr Crane had spoken to Dan Rosemeyer re planned work, and he will carry this out when weather gets better. Discuss next meeting due to current bad weather.

Clerk to check with Dan if materials are with Taf Builders and confirm quote for work on 2nd bridge on the Village Green and gate repair. Use YnNi Teg funds.

53/37 Riverside Walk ongoing but no update from J. Lawday on registering the footpath.

Pandy path cleared, part by Cllr Gadd’s husband. PRoW to install new gate at Pandy end and bridge is required further down. PRoW to progress.

Clerk to contact PRoW Nigel Powell with update re: path cleared.

Cllr Runnett to look at situation with new trees (re-staking with stronger materials) in December. Cllr Robinson to help.

Gelliwen – forestry – walkers and horse riders are granted permissive access. Work is being carried out felling trees in the bad weather and the area is impassible due to this.

**Sec. 106:**

Clerk applied for remaining funds, which have already been allocated.

**Yni Teg Funding:**

Ongoing. Funds already received to be spent on Public Footpath works.

Cllr Barnikel asked at last meeting if some funds could be used to clear area, Gelliwen car park to Trip. Carry forward.

Clerk to check if more funds are available.

**Litter Picking:**

Ongoing.

**Councillor Vacancy:**

Clerk to check if application from resident has been received.

**Village Flag:**

Clerk to check if new flag is up.

**Dangerous driving – agricultural vehicles:**

Clerk to ask if local Police can come to next meeting to discuss the issue.

**6. Declarations of Personal Interest.**

Cllrs Thomas and Mason – Welfare Committee.

**7. Finance:**

Mr Flag - £66.79

Youth Hall Committee - £120.00

Mydrim CM Chapel hire - £24.00

Clerk wages - £1526.14

PC and Bus Shelter grass/hedge maintenance - £630.00

**8. Planning Matters.**

Ongoing. Cllr Robinson to monitor applications.

No update on One Planet or Travel site.

CCllr Lewis to check on this. Carry forward to next meeting.

**9. Correspondence.**

Wales Air Ambulance.

Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue service draft plan 2040 – Clerk to circulate link when received.

Last Wishes mobile vet, advertising. Clerk to arrange for poster to be displayed.

Welfare Committee- Clerk to respond.

Thomas and Thomas Landscaping Ltd – Clerk to retain on file and respond.

**10. Any other business:**

None

**Proposed Date of Next Meeting:** 28th November 2023.