Minutes of the meeting of Meidrim Community Council held on Tuesday 26th November 2024.

Present:

Chairperson: S Runnett.

Councillors: S Fitzpatrick, D Mason, R Crane, B Thomas, S Kind.

CCllr: J Lewis.

Minutes: S Milligan Clerk

**1. Apologies:**

Cllrs: M Barnikel, E Gadd, D Robinson.

CCllr: J Lewis.

**2. Minutes of the meeting 29th October 2024.**

These were accepted as a true record.

**3. Public Question Time.**

No one present.

**4. Reports:**

(a) Report from County Councillor.

No update.

b) Meidrim and District Welfare Committee.

Clerk met with D Sainty and is awaiting quote for cost of extra power points at PCs.

Village Christmas lights being switched on 29th November 2024.

Tractor run on 28th December 2024.

(c) Ysgol Meidrim.

Governors meeting 28th November and all going well.

Craft fayre at the Hall 3rd December 2024.

Clerk updated that 14 families are involved in TI a Fi and it’s going well.

(d) One Voice Wales.

No update.

**5. Matters Arising:**

**Vending machine**

CCllr to speak to someone who has already taken this on. C/F.

**One Planet Wales.**

CCllr Lewis following this up. C/F.

**Road repairs.**

Some work has now been carried out.

CCllr and Chair to meet with Highways inspector.

**Home working by CCC.**

Chair to take this on and remove from agenda.

**ENF/00863** - Land Opposit MinyrAfon.No update, CCllr Lewis has chased. C/F.

**PL/06401** – Riverside planning app – appeal allowed.

*The appeal is allowed and planning permission is granted for new agricultural building at*

*Lee Pen Marie Small Holding, Station Road, Meidrim, Carmarthen, SA33 5QE, in*

*accordance with the terms of the application, Ref PL/06401 dated 3 August 2023, subject*

*to the conditions set out in the schedule to this decision letter.*

**Broadband:**

BT taking this on and public meeting 30th October 2024. Fibre optics have been laid in the area.

**TRO- Traffic Regulation Order**: Advised that due to the 20mph work, there is a huge amount of backlog regarding other issues. They will be re-visiting the Pantybrodyr TRO as soon as they have finished with the 20mph work. No update C/F.

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

Cllr Thomas explained that Glyn has reported an issue with the car park drain and he needs to pull it apart to clean it.

Cllr Kind agreed to look at this and put in some flexible corrugated piping.

**Damaged fence** – Cllr Kind suggested that the broken fence be removed, and some shrubs planted in the area instead to tie in with the hedge.

Clerk to ask Glyn if he could remove the fence and take away the old wood.

**Environment Working Group:**

Environment working group – need to retender contract for cutting schedule.

Environment Group to meet in January 2025.

Cllr Kind to cut down and remove tree by the first bridge.

Cllr Runnett to look at situation with new trees (re-staking with stronger materials) and to report back. Cllr Robinson to help. C/F.

**Village Green:**

No action at present but Environment group will consider what work needs to be considered.

**Public footpaths:**

Pen-y-bont Farm, Meidrim 53/37 Riverside Walk ongoing and path available to the public. Not yet registered, Jason Lawday to follow up. MCC to keep an eye on situation.

Clerk to chase again with J Lawday and explain that the Environment Group would like answers before their January meeting.

**Litter Picking:**

Clerk to chase with CCllr Lewis to see if planning permission is required for deterrent litter signs to be put up. Already agreed that signs can be purchased.

Cllr Barnikel to update CCllr on what is happening with this. C/F.

**Japanese knotweed:** Carry forward by Environment Group.

**Website**

Cllr Gadd has done a lot of work to progress this with IT group – Cllrs Runnett, Barnikel and Gadd.

Chair to arrange meeting with Cllr Gadd.

**MCC members profile for website** raised by Cllr Barnikel C/F by IT group.

**6. Declarations of Personal Interest.**

Cllrs Mason and Thomas – Welfare Committee.

**7. Finance:**

JN Williams annual grass cutting - £2460.00

Urdd Gobaith Cymru donation - £50.00

Chair allowance - £200.00

Clerk shared proposed budget for 2025/26 and MCC agreed.

Suggested to keep pre-cept the same as previous years.

Proposed by Cllr Mason and seconded by Cllr Kind.

Clerk to query electricity bill supplied by OVO and based on estimates. Obtain new bill.

**8. Planning Matters.**

Ongoing. Cllr Robinson to monitor applications.

**9. Correspondence.**

Christmas Toy Appeal

Wales Air Ambulance Appeal.

**10. Any other business:**

Cllr Kind clarified his new email address.

**Proposed Date of Next Meeting:** 28th January 2025.

**Appendix 1 – Correspondence from One Voice Wales November 2024.**

New consultation: Legislation (Procedure, Publication and Repeals) (Wales) Bill

TRAINING DATES - NOVEMBER -DECEMBER 2024

National Conference 2024 Report

Consultation of Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance

Peace Ambassadors

Guidelines about Naming Domains and Websites

Wales Climate Week 11- 15 /November / Public Engagement on Climate Change in Wales

One Voice Wales - Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales - Consultation on draft Annual Report 2025

Ystadau Cymru Conference 2024

Cost of Living Crisis Project 'Meals that Matter' – Webinar

Green Heroes December Event: Help Spread the Word

Consultation - role, governance and accountability of the community and town council sector.

Top 10 Things to do for Councils

Guidelines about Email and Procurement

Dementia Action Plan Survey

Statement of Payments 2023-24