

On Tuesday 19 January 2010 a Meeting of Trefeurig Community Council was held in Neuadd y Penrhyn at 7.00 pm

PRESENT: Cllrs R Owen (Chair); Mrs G Price; Mrs E Davies; D Sheppard; DM Hughes; Trefor Davies; Melvyn Evans; D R Morgan, Mrs K Walker and clerk. Cllr D Jones joined the Meeting at 7.30 pm. County Cllr D Suter was present

2676 Apologies for absence – none received

2677 Personal Matters – none

2678 Declaration of Personal/Prejudicial Interest: Cllr D R Morgan declared a personal/prejudicial interest in Minute 2693 re Neuadd y Penrhyn.
Cllr Mrs G Price declared a personal/prejudicial interest in Minute 2693 and Minute 2695 re Cylch MeithrinTrefeurig

2679 Confirmation of Minutes: It was RESOLVED to confirm as a true record the Minutes of the Meeting held on 15 December 2009 (Encl A). The following matters arising from the Minutes were discussed:

Min 2655: Crime & Disorder Assessment 2010: Cllr D M Hughes gave a report on the document and a response to the questionnaire was agreed

Min 2657: Code of Conduct guidance from the Ombudsman: Cllr R Owen outlined the content of the draft guide and councillors were invited to ask the clerk for a copy if they wish to have one

Min 2651: Grit bins: At the invitation of the Chair, Cllr D Suter reported that following the difficulties experienced throughout the County in the recent heavy snow and ice, a meeting of County Councillors was being arranged to consider the question of providing additional grit bins in rural areas which are not on gritting routes. It was RESOLVED to write to Cllr R Quant MBE, Chairman of the Highways Committee to reiterate the request for bins at specified spots and to note that conditions were exacerbated by the lack of road sweeping during the autumn

Min 2675: Provision of alcohol at the 2010 Urdd National Eisteddfod: Cllr DM Hughes reported that many local residents strongly objected to the application for an alcohol licence for the 2010 Urdd Eisteddfod at Llanerchaeron. It was RESOLVED to write to oppose the granting of a licence and members were invited to sign a petition if they wished

Min 2675: Penrhyncoch Football Club: The Chair confirmed that a letter had been sent supporting the Football Club's application for a grant from Ceredigion for a replacement mower

2680 Meeting attended by Members – No reports

The Council's reponse to correspondence and documents received was as follows:

2681 One Voice Wales: Letter from the Chief Executive enclosing an update from the Welsh Assembly Govt on Community and Town Councils. RESOLVED to note. Copies of the magazine 'Y Llais' were distributed to members

2682 Welsh Language Scheme: Acknowledgement from the Welsh Language Board of the Council's Welsh Language Scheme which was approved on **2 December 2009**

2683 Change of Locality to Penbontirhydybeddau: Notification from Royal Mail that all households in Penbont have agreed to a change of the locality address. Residents are awaiting official notification. Clerk to contact Royal Mail

2684 Street Lighting: Notification from Ceredigion that work to switch off street lights within the community between midnight and 5.00 am will commence in January 2010

2685 Local Govt Boundary Commission for Wales – Review of Electoral Arrangements: Comments on proposals regarding Ceredigion electoral arrangements were agreed and will be forwarded to the Commission

2686 Public Rights of Way – Brush cutting grants 2010: Notification from Ceredigion that 75% grants are available. RESOLVED to seek a quotation for cutting one footpath in Penbont

2687 Ceredigion Standards Sub-Committee: Details of Dates & Times of Meetings to consider dispensation applications from Councillors. RESOLVED to note

FINANCIAL MATTERS: Payment of the following invoices was agreed:

- 2688 Linda Griffiths:** Translation December 2009 - **£43.71** cheque 956
Notice to Council of proposed increase in translation costs from 01.01.2010 of £2.00 per thousand words i.e to £49. RESOLVED to accept and to express the Council's thanks to M/s Griffiths for her work
- 2689 Greenbarnes Ltd:** 2 noticeboards: £1,156.38+Vat £173.46 **Total £1,329.84** cheque 957
- 2690 Cllr R Owen:** Travel - 80 miles @ 50.1pp/m: **£40.08** cheque 958
- 2691 Cllr T Davies:** Travel - 44 miles @ 50.1pp/m: **£22.04** cheque 959
- 2692 P Walker:** 01.10.09-31.12.09: Postage/petty cash £46.23. Travel 130 miles at 60.1pp/m £78.13: **Total £124.36** cheque 960

2693 Applications for Grants for the Financial Year ending 31.03.2010

Donation budget - £3,500

Details of all applications were presented to the Council. In compliance with the Welsh Language Scheme note was taken that applicants reflected the linguistic nature of the community

It was RESOLVED to confine donations to local organisations, with the exception of Wales Air Ambulance, and to limit the amount given to each to £500 or less, apart from Neuadd y Penrhyn. Following this decision Cllr DR Morgan, declared a personal/ prejudicial interest in Neuadd y Penrhyn as Committee Chair and left the meeting while this application was discussed

Mrs Price, leader of Cylch Meithrin Trefeurig, declared a personal/ prejudicial interest in their application. She was invited to explain the background to the application and then left the meeting during the discussion which followed

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Donation</u> £	<u>Power</u>	<u>Cheque</u> <u>No</u>
Ysgol Trefeurig D/G	Lease/restructuring costs	250	LGA72 s133	961
Trefeurig Over 60's	Exercise & craft classes	150	LGA72 s137	962
Cae Chwarae Penbont	Bilingual signage	250	LG(MP)A 76 s19	963
ClwbPel-droed P/coch	Equipment & Training	400	LG(MP)A 76 s19	964
Neuadd y Penrhyn	Insurance & cleaning costs	750	LGA72 s133	965
PATRASA	Picnic tables	250	LG(MP)A 76 s19	966
Clwb Cwl	Meeting place repairs	250	LG(MP)A 76 s19	967
P/coch Brownies	Centenary celebrations	100	LGA72 s137	968
P/coch retired Group	Meeting room blinds	150	LGA72 s137	969
Y Tincer	Production costs	250	LGA72 s137	970
Cartref Tregerddan	Support for residents	250	LGA72 s137	971
Wales Air Ambulance	Service maintenance	300	LGA72 s137	972
Cylch Meithrin	New Premises	150	LG(MP)A 76 s19	973

Re Cylch Meithrin Trefeurig: It was RESOLVED to give further consideration to this application when discussing the 2010/2011 budget

2694 Encl. B: 1.Summary of Receipts & Payments & Bank Reconciliation at 31.12.09

The summary shows that the opening balance on 01/04/09 together with receipts to 31/12/09 total £14,488.67. Expenditure over the same period was £5,037.64 giving a net bank balance at 31 December, 2009 of **£9,451.03**

This is confirmed by the bank reconciliation.

The cash book, cheque book, invoices and all documents were presented to the Council and checked

2. Budget review to 31.12.2009 & estimated expenditure to 31.03.2010

The budget for the financial year to 31.03.10 was £14,000.

£3,500 for donations; £1,500 for Capital Expenditure, £1,000 for Contingencies and £8,000 for General expenditure.

The £5,038 spent to date has been on General Expenditure. This covers Administration, Insurance, Training, Maintenance, salary, travel and other general costs. The balance of

£2,962 will adequately cover expected general expenditure to the end of the financial year which should not exceed £1,655, unless Ceredigion levies a charge for dog bin emptying. The end of year general expenditure balance will be approx £1,307

Donations: The £3,500 donation budget has been allocated today

Capital Expenditure: Two notice boards have been ordered at a cost of £1,360 leaving a balance of £140

The Contingency Fund of £1,000 was increased by £500 in October

3. Estimated sum to be carried forward at 31.03.2010

At the end of the present financial year, with a Vat refund of £300, the Council will have an estimated bank balance £3,200

This sum includes the £1,500 contingency fund and the £1,700 carried forward

2695 The 2010/2011 Budget (Encl C)

The 14,000 allowed for expenditure during the 2009/10 financial year has been adequate to meet the Council's commitments and the year should end with approx £1,700 in hand

The surplus is partly accounted for by the lack of spending on several items allowed for under General Expenditure including £500 for dog bin emptying; bus shelter cleaning and footpath trashing. Ceredigion has not invoiced the dog bin emptying and efforts are still under way to obtain estimates for bus shelter cleaning and footpath trashing. There has been a low take up on Training Courses and only £50 of the £300 allocated has been spent. Audit costs were also £115 lower than expected.

The Members considered whether to reduce the sum allocated for General Expenditure but, in view of anticipated price increases in postage, translation and telephone charges and other rising costs it was RESOLVED that:-

The General Expenditure budget will remain at £8,000

The Contingency Fund will remain at £1,500

Capital Expenditure will again be £1,500: The glassfibre flagpole in Penrhynoch has a fault in the upper section and needs replacing. The estimated cost is £400. The office laptop is also due for replacement.

Donations: The need for Cylch Meithrin Trefeurig to find alternative premises with a secure outside play area is urgent. Investigations are under way to rent or buy a cabin to be sited adjacent to Penrhynoch School and a the Community Council has been asked for its support. It was RESOLVED: **To increase the donation budget to £4,500:** £3,500 for general donations and a further £1,000 earmarked for Cylch Meithrin Trefeurig to help finance their new building if the project goes ahead and they need financial help

Total budget for 2010/2011: £15,500

2696 The Precept for 1 April 2010 to 31 March 2011

To cover the Council's budget for the forthcoming financial year it will be necessary to increase the Precept by £1,000 to £13,000. This, together with the estimated £3,200 to be carried forward will give a total of £16,200

It was RESOLVED to Precept Ceredigion for £13,000

2697 A review of the Council's Risk Assessment: RESOLVED to postpone this item until the February Meeting

2698 Planning Decisions: **A090774** 50 Dolhelyg P/coch: Permission granted for extension

2699 Planning Applications: **A090869** Banc Llety Spence, Cwmerfyn – extensions: No observations made

A090873 West of Gwelfor, P/coch – agricultural shed: Application opposed; out of keeping with surrounding area and highway too narrow at site entrance junction

2700 The next Meeting will be in Ysgol Trefeurig at 7.00 pm on Tuesday, 23 February, 2010

2701 It was agreed to place the following on the next agenda:

Request to clean Trefeurig bus shelter. Enquire re recycling collection Penrhynoch Forestry Houses. Poor condition of road surface between Plas Iorwerth and IBERS

