Minutes of a meeting of the Community Council held at the Community Centre on 27.03.2019 (Subject to confirmation at the May, 2019 meeting).

**PRESENT** – Cllrs Paul Evans (Vice Chair), Tony Killow, Bryan Jones, Huw Jones, Wyn Roberts and Iona Pierce together with the Clerk (John Roberts)

1. **APOLOGIES** – Cllrs Kevin Shenton (Chair), Carys Jones and County Councillor Huw Williams.

2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST** – Cllr Iona Pierce declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item 6(a) being a family member. Cllr Bryan Jones declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item 5(c) being a family member.

3. **MINUTES** – The minutes of the meeting of the Community Council held on 27th February, 2019 were submitted and confirmed as a correct record.

4. **MATTERS FROM THE MINUTES** – (a) **Telephone Kiosk at Hendrerwydd** – it was reported that work on finalising arrangements for the inside of the kiosk was progressing as follows:-

\* The ceramic picture prepared in liaison with pupils from Gellifor School was being referred to the Cadwyn Clwyd design team for inclusion on the notice board.

\* Confirmation had been received that the defibrillator and cabinet conformed to BT requirements. As a result, a revised contract could be entered into with BT in respect of the Kiosk and power supply.

\* The fund raisers from the Golden Lion, Llangynhafal had confirmed that funding for the defibrillator had been collected and an order could be placed through Welsh Hearts.

During an ensuing discussion members expressed their gratitude to the fund raisers for donating a defibrillator to the community and were happy for the Community Council to become responsible for its future maintenance.

It was understood that the defibrillator and installation needed to be ordered through Welsh Hearts and the Chair Cllr Kevin Shenton had agreed to liaise with the fund raisers regarding this matter.

(b) **Highway Matters and Road Name Signs** - The priority areas for roadway resurfacing continued to be (i) Hwylfa Fain (ii) Cyffion to Llangynhafal Church and (iii) Road to Siglen Uchaf. Arrangements for repairing the Gellifor village name sign at Gellifor Farm were in hand.

(c**) Affordable Housing to Meet Local Need** – In relation to the information provided at the last meeting regarding parcels of land within the hamlets of Llangynhafal and Hendrerwydd which could be made available for affordable housing under the LDP, it was reported that Grwp Cynefin had been contacted and could provide information/help to individuals interested in self build projects particularly where this was a help to rural communities.

Also, with regard to affordable housing generally, members noted that work had now commenced on the project to develop 38 affordable dwellings on land on the outskirts of Llanbedr on the Gellifor road.

(d) **Development of 3-5 Year Community Plan** – As reported at the last meeting, this matter would be included on the agenda for the April Open Meeting and it had been agreed that posters be prepared to include reference to the request for project ideas from members of the community. Also, asking local groups and individuals at events such as the monthly coffee morning and/or via facebook would be helpful.

(e) **Brenig and Clocaenog Wind Farms, Community Development Funds** – No further information had been received regarding which areas would be eligible to apply for financial assistance from the above funds in respect of community projects.

(f) **Llangynhafal Church, Car Parking** – it wasreported that a meeting with the Church had been arranged for 11th April, 2019.

(g) **Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales, Payment to Members** – it was noted that the new arrangements would take effect from 01.04.2019.

5. **FINANCIAL MATTERS** – Consideration was given to the following:-

(a) **Community Centre, Non Domestic Rates** – it was reported that confirmation had again been received from Denbighshire that mandatory and discretionary rate relief had been granted in respect of the community centre, which meant that there would be no rates to pay for 2019/2020. **Resolved** – that the Community Centre Committee be informed of the situation.

(b) **Audit Arrangements, 2020 Onwards** – members noted that for 2020 onwards, the external audit of local council accounts would be carried out by the Welsh Audit Office and would no longer be contracted out.

(c) **Payment For Translation Work** – Resolved, that an invoice in the sum of £547.70 from B. Jones Translation Services, for work carried out during 2018/2019, be approved for payment.

6. **PLANNING MATTERS** – Consideration was given to the following planning application –

(a) **Land at Plas Dolben, Llangynhafal** – Details of the appearance, landscaping, scale and layout of dwelling submitted in accordance with condition no. 1 of outline planning permission. **Resolved** – that the Council has no adverse comments regarding the proposals. . 7. **DENBIGHSHIRE CC, ONE VOICE WALES AND WELSH GOVERNMENT CORRESPONDENCE** – Consideration was given to new correspondence from the above organisations as follows:-

(a**) Natural Resources Wales.** (b) **One Voice Wales**  Copies of the latest bulletins from the above organisations had been circulated to members with the agenda and it was agreed that the correspondence be noted.

(c) **One Voice Wales, Membership Renewal** – Resolved, that the Community Council renews its membership of One Voice Wales for 2019/2020 at a cost of £86.

(d) **Calor Rural Community Fund** - it was reported that this year’s Calor Rural Community Fund was now open for applications and will close on 29th April, 2019. The scheme was open to rural communities who were not on the mains gas grid, with grants of £1000 - £5000 being available for village projects.

(e) **Keeping Britain Tidy Campaign** – in response to this campaign, it was noted that local volunteers would be coming together next week to clean up litter pollution across the Ruthin area.

(f) **Betsi Cadwaladr Stakeholders Group** – the latest bulletin had been circulated and was noted.

8. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – 24th April, being the 2019 Open Community Meeting.