



Thursday evening, 12 September 2024 –
7.30pm Salem Vestry, Penmachno

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Minutes of a meeting held on **Thursday 12 September 2024** at 7.30, Salem Vestry, Penmachno

1. Welcome and Apologies for Absence
2. Declaration of Interest
3. Receipt of Minutes of Last Meeting
4. Provision and how to fund defibrillators
5. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes (not otherwise on the agenda)
6. Correspondence
7. Financial Report
8. Planning Matters
9. Other matters

Present:

Claire Roberts
Daniel Tomos (Clerc)
Dylan Davies (Vice Chairman)
Eifion Davies
Eryl Owain (Chairman)
Wil Edwards
Dilwyn Roberts (County Councillor)

Apologies:

Bethan Corrigan
Dafydd Gwyndaf
Geraint Thomas
Owen Davis

Declaration of interest

There were no statements

Accept the minutes of the last meeting The minutes of the meeting of **11 July 2024** were accepted as correct, Claire Roberts proposing and Wil Edwards seconding.

Provision and funding of defibrillators

It was reported that the Ambulance Service will no longer provide defibrillators, pads or batteries to communities.

The two defibrillators in Penmachno do not need to be replaced at the moment but the Community Council had no choice but to buy new pads for both at a cost of £80+VAT. If the pads are used, new ones will have to be purchased.

It was reported that the Ambulance Service would like an additional defibrillator at the bus stop in Cwm and that the cabinet in the Shiloh needs to be changed because it is not heated.

It was decided to contact the Ambulance Service and then find grant funding in due course.

Issues arising:

Lorries in Cwm Penmachno: It was reported that NRW has again asked that issues with contractors be reported to them immediately so that they have a better chance of investigating.

Public Toilet: The floor was reported to be dry. It was decided to get prices for a new floor and repaint the ceiling.

Cwm Penmachno Sign: It was reported that the sign has been repaired.

Betws-y-coed and Ildwich Signs: It was reported that two signs near the pub still need to be repaired. The Betws-y-coed sign appears to have been painted with black paint.

Ffordd Grenyn Junction with the B4406: It was reported that the County Council had organized the work to install a mirror.

Public Route 55 – Y Waen: It was reported that a kind member of the community had unblocked the culvert which was causing damage to the route. It was decided to contact the County Council again regarding repairing the path.

Path across the Concrete Bridge: It was reported that the landowner's explanation had been very useful. It was decided to explore options for improving the public footpath across Pont Oernant.

Sant Tudclud: Following a site meeting, it was decided to write a letter of support regarding the church's plan to preserve an area of the Community Council's cemetery in Sant Tudclud for wildflowers and the preservation/burial of ashes.

Cemeteries: It was decided to do maintenance work on the cemeteries grounds more often, especially along the two routes to the church. It was decided to investigate improving the appearance of the church's paths. It was also decided to contact the contractor with the intention of increasing his salary.

Correspondence

New Opening on Ffordd Glasgwm: A number of people had contacted the Clerk regarding a new opening for Ffordd Glasgwm. The Clerk reported that planning permission is not required for an entrance to an unclassified road. It was decided to contact the roads department.

Roman Bridge: It was reported that the bridge has become very popular on Instagram with some people walking / sitting on the bridge which is a listed monument. It was decided to contact NRW and the National Trust who manage the land to ensure that the bridge is safe.

Financial Report

The Clerk provided a list of all financial transactions since the last meeting for analysis. It was agreed that everything was in order.

Telephone Number: It was agreed that the Clerk will move the Council's telephone number to a different VOIP provider.

Planning Matters

Listed Building Consent: Tŷ Mawr Wybrnant: Following a meeting with the National Trust at Tŷ Mawr, there was a long discussion at the meeting. It was decided, although it will be sad to put slates on the side of the building, to support the application in order to protect the museum for the future.

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Hospital Road / Groesffordd Road: It was reported that the ditches were blocked and the hedges had grown and were making the road very narrow. It was decided to contact the County Council.

Asphalt Dumping: Contractors working for SP Energy have been reported dumping asphalt in fields. It was decided to report the matter to NRW.

Estate of the Deceased: It was decided to try to contact the executor of the estate of a resident of Penmachno who died in tragic circumstances last year to offer assistance.

Community Skips: It was decided to work with a neighboring Community Council Clerk to see if a grant will be available.

Uneven Surface: It was reported that the surface of the car park behind Teras Llywelyn is uneven. It was decided to contact Cartrefi Conwy and the County Council.

School Bus: It was reported that children still had to sit on the floor of the school bus despite assurances from the County Council. It was decided to contact the County Council once again.

Highway Graveling: It was decided to contact the contractors to ensure that gravel lorries can reach the area while SP Energy continues the road work over the winter.

Next meeting

The next meeting of the Council will be held on Thursday 21 November 2024, 7.30 in Salem Chapel Vestry.