At the ordinary General Meeting of Llanfihangel Aberbythych Community

Council held on the 27 February 2019 in Carmel Village Hall at at 7pm

PRESENT : Cllrs M Trevor (Chair) , A Thomas, LL Thomas B John T Stephens E Hopkins

 Also present: M Jenkins (clerk),

**253    CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS**

Chair Cllr M Trevor welcomed members to the meeting.

**254   APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**: Cllr C Campbell J Thomas, M Digby

**255  DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTERESTS** None.

**256 POLICING MATTERS –** PCSO Roger Anthony not present therefore no report available.

**257 MINUTES** Minutes of the meeting held 14 January 2019 were confirmed as a correct record.

**258 MATTERS ARISING**

**A476** – No further information regarding the dip in the road near Llether Garw.  Clerk had reported the matter to Carmarthenshire CC.

**CARAVAN** – Milo – An enforcement notice has been issued by Carmarthenshire CC. No further information.

**Crash Barrier** – The wall had been re-erected this week, and disappointment was noted that although a crash barrier was in Carmarthenshire cc’s demand library, there was no funding presently available. The area would continue to be monitored on a monthly basis. Cllr M Trevor asked for the clerk to forward the email response received from Carmarthenshire CC so that she could consider the matter further.

**OVERGROWN TREES** – Some of the reported overgrown trees had been cur but the problem still exists on the Maesybont Road, It was thought that the trees are owned by the Mast company.

**Chairman boards** – Clerk was instructed to make the necessary arrangements for the signwriter to update the boards in Carmel, Golden Grove and the Gate hall.

**Heol Maesybont** – Residents continue to park on the pavement, causing obstruction. Clerk to contact PCSO Roger Anthony asking him to deal with the matter.

**Road maintenance** : Clerk to chase Carmarthenshire CC again regarding the works needed to the road between Heol Y Ffynon to Bryndu Maesybont and from Cefnberach to Temple Bar.

**Llyn Pantllyn –** Cllr T Stephens reported that the trees had now been attended to

**Co-option Mr J M Williams** – Unfortunately, it had recently been identified that co-option had not followed the correct procedure. The Clerk had been liaising with Carms CC, and the correct procedure had now been followed. Public notices had been displayed and one applicant had applied – Mr J Meredith Williams. Mr Williams to be invited to next meeting to sign the acceptance of office.

**259 COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS**

Cllr C Campbell was unable to attend and had provided the following report :

* £2.6 miliwn yn fwy i ysgolion (y tro cyntaf i ni allu gwneud hyn ers pum mlynedd)
* £3.36 miliwn mwy i ofal cymdeithasol
* £4.5 i wella'r ffyrdd (dros 3 blynedd) - mae hyn yn golygu y gallwn wario mwy i wella cyflwr ein heolydd
* 5-7% o godiad cyflog i'r 2,000 o staff sydd ar y cyflogau isaf
* mae rhaglen gyfalaf gwerth £260 miliwn wedi ei gytuno am y pum mlynedd nesaf - y mwyaf yng Nghymru
* rydym yn ymrwymo i adeiladu 900 o dai Cyngor dros y 10 mlynedd nesaf - am y tro cyntaf ers 2007!
* mae targed gyda ni i sicrhau 1,000 o dai fforddiadwy dros y tair blynedd nesaf (mae 650 wedi eu sicrhau yn barod)
* rydym wedi llwyddo i gadw Treth y Cyngor dan 5% - un o'r lleiaf yng Nghymru
* Bydd cyflog y Prif Weithredwr nesaf £30,000  yn is na beth mae'r Prif Weithredwr presennol yn ei gael a bydd e/hi yn gorfod siarad Cymraeg!

**260 CORRESPONDENCE**

Carms CC \_ Environmental guidance for Town and Community Councils – noted

Carms YFC – Invitation to Annual rally – Cllr B John to attend

Carms CC – notice of Lighting Precept 2019-2020 £7533.80

Carms CC - Operation London Bridge -noted

One Voice Wales – Welsh community solar power – noted

Mayor of Caramaarthen – St Davids Parade – noted

Carms CC – Notification of 2019/20 Lightin Precept £7533.80 – Noted

**261   PLANNING** - none

**262 PAYMENT AND ACCOUNT**

The following payments were approved for payment:

£110.00 HMRC Feb

£185.00 One Voice Wales membership

£150.00 Vision ICT Website Maintenance

£268.75 Wales Audit fee

£100.00 Carmel village hall hire (2 years)

£100.00 Gelli Aur church hall hire (2 years)

£300.00 Gelli Aur Church Donation

£130.00 Capel Carmel Cemetry

£130.00 Capel Milo Cemetry

£130.00 Capel Cefnberach cemetery

£130.00 St Mary Church Cemetry

£260.00 St Michael Church Cemetry (2 years)

£300.00 Capel Cefnberach donation

£100.00 Wales air ambulance donation

£300.00 Eglwys Carmel donation

£100.00 YFC Carmarthenshire donation

Bank Account £11707.58 CR

The clerk is now preparing for the end of year accounts, the subsequent internal and external audit and had set up a number of new procedures and documents for consideration and approval.

* Register of attendance to be signed by members present and noting absences received
* A new form for completion when declaring interests.
* Draft letter of engagement of internal auditor (Mr B Smith)
* Updated standing orders
* Financial Regulations
* Updated – Code of Conduct

These were discussed and resolved to accept all documents

The following

**263 APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE RECEIVED FROM THE FOLLOWING. (PLEASE SEE PAYMENTS ABOVE FOR AMOUNTS DONATED)**

St Michaels Church Gelli Aur

Wales Air Ambulance

Eglwys Y Bedyddyr Carmel

Capel Cefnberach

Menter Bro Dinefwr

2019 Welsh International Sheep Dog Trials

**264 OTHER BUSINESS/QUESTIONS**

**Carmel –** Cllr L Thomas reported that the road surface opposite the bus shelter in Carmel required immediate attention. Clerk to report to Carms CC

**Heol Maesybont –** Cllr Andrew Thomas reported that there was a large amount of litter on the side of the road. Clerk to report to Carms CC

**Ysgol Maesybont –** Cllr B John reminded members that the Community Council own the noticeboard on the School Wall. Arrangements should be made to remove this.