

CYNGOR CYMDEITHAS BODFARI
BODFARI COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting of Bodfari Community Council
Held on the 13th April 2021

***Held ONLINE via ZOOM due under s78 of the Corona Virus Act 2020**

Present

Cllr Martin Shutt (MS)
Cllr Sue Davidson (SD)
Cllr Julie Burnage (JB)
Cllr Alan Waterfield (AW)
Cllr Rebecca Parrin
Cllr Heather Griffiths
Cllr Naomi Luhde-Thompson (NLT)
Clerk Antony Burnage (AB)

1. Apologies for absence

CCllr Christine Marston

2. Declarations of Interest

None received.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting

Minutes accepted as a correct record of the previous meeting. P Alan Waterfield,
S Cllr Naomi Luhde-Thompson.

4. Matters arising from the previous meeting

- i. Roadside field between Ty Nant Helygen and Forge Farm. The owner has now been contacted and he is to visit the site to establish what needs to be done. His contact number will be forwarded to Tim Towers (DCC) for contact regarding work required on the roadside. **Action JB**
- ii. Speed restrictions through the village. It was proposed that a sub group be set up to look at this proposal and to create a supporting document to be sent to DCC. Suggestions included a petition of local residents and the request for a pedestrian crossing at the bottom of the village. **Action MS HG**
- iii. Installation of the ceramic map and refurbishment/replacement of notice board. Ongoing. **Action AW, AB.**
- iv. Wind Farm Funding. Potential uses and application. **Ongoing. Action ALL**
- v. Park Access. Tim Towers (DCC) has inspected the park entrance and stated that DCC will not fund the improvement which will cost between £5k and £7k (est). An application will be submitted to DCC however as the consensus of opinion is that it is their responsibility. **Action NLT**
- vi. Candidate sites for development. Ongoing. **No Action**
- vii. War Memorial restoration. The Diocese will be contacted to establish what responsibility (if any) the church has for the memorial. Additional quotations for the restoration to be sought. **Action MS.**
- viii. Planning query re: size of barn erected at property behind Bodfari. Adam Turner (DCC Planning Dept) has advised that there is a backlog caused by COVID. **Ongoing**

- ix. Park boundary behind Banc y Chwarel. Clearance and general maintenance required of the land between the park boundary fence and the house fences. **Ongoing.**
- x. Replacement goal posts. Cost to be established but on hold until a review of the park and what is required overall has been completed. Ongoing. **Action MS ALL**
- xi. It has been noted that the wooden children's toys have become quite slippery and need inspecting. They will be cleaned using anti-algae solution. **Action AB MS**
- xii. The Downing Arms site. The condition of the site is an ongoing problem and DCC Public Protection will be contacted to address the issues. **Action CM.**
- xiii. Footpath stiles. Adrian Walls and DCC have been contacted about this but no positive response has been received. Follow up contact required. **Action AB**

5. County Councillor's Report

See attached.

6. Planning and Highways

Planning.

No new applications received.

Highways.

- I. MS stated that he had been advised by CM that NLT and her neighbours need to log formal highways issues online to prompt DCC into reviewing the road conditions around their properties

7. Finance

The council was advised that the bank account balances remain almost the same as last month with little or no activity. **No Action.**

8. Village playground and park

Inspected and report received by the clerk.

9. Correspondence

None received.

10. AOB

- i. The Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) was discussed and suggestions that will enhance and improve the health and wellbeing of Bodfari are noted. The document remains open for further suggestions to be added. MS to share NLT document on the Google Drive for all councillors to input into. **Action ALL**
- ii. The advertisement for the position of Clerk is to be reviewed and improved for inclusion on the FaceBook and website page.

Date of next meeting

Next meeting Tuesday 11th May 2021 under s.78 Coronavirus Act 2020 tbc to take place ONLINE at 7pm unless otherwise advised.

There being no other business, the ONLINE meeting closed at 20:50pm.

Minutes prepared by A Burnage.

Distribution MS, NLT, SD, RP, HW, JB, CM, AW

Signed.......... Chair

Date.....17/05/21.....

County Councillors Report.

Work to ensure safety as stay local guidance lifted

Denbighshire County Council and the Clwydian Range and Dee Valley AONB have put plans in place to ensure countryside sites remain safe as travel restrictions ease.

The Welsh Government is removing the stay local guidance from Saturday, March 27 and work has taken place at sites across Denbighshire, including Moel Famau and Loggerheads country parks, to ensure measures are in place to keep visitors safe.

These include improvements to the car parks at Moel Famau and the upgrading of paths at Loggerheads and works at Horseshoe Falls to improve access.

Huw Rees, Denbighshire County Council's Countryside and Heritage Services Manager, said: "We know it has been a difficult period for residents not being able to enjoy the countryside here in Denbighshire and I would like to thank all those who have been following the exercise from home rules.

"The Council and Clwydian Range and Dee Valley AONB have been preparing for the change in restrictions. However, it is vital visitors play their part when returning to our countryside sites.

"It is important visitors know what restrictions and guidelines are in place before travelling and to keep themselves and others safe they should avoid busy times, check ahead to see if facilities are open and where possible access quieter sites and walks during the initial period of re-opening. This will help avoid busy periods and parking issues.

"It is also important visitors respect the countryside and act responsibly during their visit and this means keeping dogs on leads and not to litter.

"We would like to reassure residents we will continue to work with North Wales Police and with partners to spread the message that cross-border travel is still restricted."

A list of alternative walks in the county can be found

at <http://www.clwydianrangeanddeevalleyaonb.org.uk/projects/community-miles/>

Subscription service launched to end period poverty

A subscription service has been launched in Denbighshire to end period poverty and prevent periods being a barrier to education.

The Council, through the Welsh Government 2020/21 Period Deprivation Grant, has secured a subscription service for young people in Denbighshire where period poverty could be a barrier to their education.

The free service, in conjunction with social enterprise Hey Girls, will run until March 2022 providing either a package of re-usable period products or a monthly delivery of eco-friendly disposable products directly to subscribers' homes.

Those eligible must be enrolled at either a primary or secondary school in Denbighshire and it is deemed a lack of period products could be a barrier to a young person accessing education.

Welcome back to your local Library and One Stop Shop

Libraries across Denbighshire will be re-opening their doors from Monday, March 29 for browsing for books, using a computer and printing, and accessing One Stop Shop services. To ensure a safe visit, customers will need to phone their local library to make an appointment to visit.

Libraries are a safe place to visit with plenty of room for social distancing, limited numbers of people in at any time, and hand and equipment sanitiser available. All returned books are quarantined for 72 hours before being touched.

Visits to browse and choose books are limited to 20 minutes, and computer sessions are currently limited to 45 minutes, and one per week. You will need your library card number to book a computer session.

If you require help at the One Stop Shop with a Council query or to make a payment, please call the library and ensure you have all the relevant details, so that we can deal with your query, and arrange an appointment if you need to come in.

The popular Order and Collect service will continue if you would prefer for library staff to choose the books for you to collect or have delivered to you. The Home Library Service is making deliveries of books to anyone who is unable to visit their local library – please call the library or visit the website to find out more about this service.

So that the shelves can be stocked up, you are asked to please return any books you've had on loan by dropping them off at the library. All the books currently on loan are being automatically renewed and you won't be fined even if you've had them for months.

Remember that you can join the library, order books and download e-books, e-audiobooks, magazines and newspapers free – please visit <http://www.denbighshire.gov.uk/libraries>

Joint working on new legislation regarding smoking on hospital grounds

Residents are being informed about new Wales-wide legislation regarding smoking on hospital grounds.

Denbighshire County Council and Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board are working in partnership to remind residents that hospital grounds, as well as school grounds, public playgrounds, outdoor day care and child-minding settings, are now required to be smoke-free.

Kind regards

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