

**CYNGOR CYMUNED CWMLLYNFELL COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD AT THE CWMLLYNFELL  
MILLENNIUM HALL ON WEDNESDAY 19<sup>th</sup> MAY 2010 AT 6.30 P.M.**

**PRESENT:** Councillor D B Thomas (Chairman) presided pro-tem  
**COUNCILLORS:** R Evans, V B Fox, M Harries, D Lloyd, D C Phillips and S Williams.

**1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR THE YEAR 2010/11**

**Resolved** that Councillor Mari Jones be elected Chairman of the Council for the ensuing Municipal Year.

Councillor M Jones was absent from the meeting so the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and Undertaking to comply with the Code of Conduct would be signed in due course.

**2. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN PRO TEM**

**Resolved**, in the absence of the elected Chairman, that Councillor D B Thomas be appointed to preside.

**3. APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN FOR THE YEAR 2010/11**

**Resolved** that the appointment of a Vice-Chairman for the ensuing Municipal Year be deferred until the next meeting.

**4. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for their absence were received from Councillors L Davies, M Evans, C Jones and M Jones.

**5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor M Harries declared his interest in Agenda Item 9 – Cwmllynfell Hall.

**6. DAY, HOUR AND VENUE FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

**Resolved** that:

1. future ordinary meetings during the ensuing municipal year be held at the following venues at 6.30pm. (6.15pm. when the Council is due to receive a presentation or address) on the third Wednesday of each month, other than the month of August when there is no meeting;

Rhiwfawr Hall  
June 2010  
September 2010  
November 2010

Cwmllynfell Hall  
July 2010  
October 2010  
December 2010  
January 2011  
February 2011  
March 2011  
May 2011 (Annual Meeting)

April 2011

2. the above arrangements be varied if necessary, as circumstances require, at the discretion of the Clerk in consultation with the Chairman.

## **7. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES**

**Resolved** that:

1. a Cemetery and Environment Committee be appointed comprising six Members, as follows:

Councillors:

V B Fox  
M Harries  
M Jones

Councillors:

D Lloyd  
D C Phillips  
D B Thomas

2. a Rhiwfawr Park Liaison Committee be appointed comprising the following members to promote the use of the facilities at the park and to liaise with local organisations and individuals to encourage voluntary effort in managing and monitoring the use of facilities:

Councillors:

Chairman  
Cllr R Evans

Councillors:

Vice-Chairman

## **8. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

### **(a) Governing Bodies of Local Schools**

**Resolved** that:

1. the under-named be appointed to represent the Council on the governing bodies of the following school for the following term of office:

Cwmllynfell School    Councillor M Harries - term of office expires May 2012  
to coincide with the next ordinary election;

2. it be noted that the under-named school governor had been appointed to represent the Council on the governing body of the following school and that the terms of office is as follows:

Rhiwfawr School    Councillor V B Fox - term of office expiring May 2012

### **(b) One Voice Wales**

**Resolved** that:

1. the Council be represented on the above-mentioned association by Councillors D C Phillips and D Lloyd;
2. Councillor S Williams be appointed to deputise in the event of either representative being unable to attend

**(c) Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council - Liaison Forum**

**Resolved** that:

1. the Council be represented on the above Liaison Forum by the Councillors D C Phillips and D Lloyd;
2. Councillor D B Thomas be appointed to deputise in the event of either representative being unable to attend.

**(d) Cwm Nant Lleici Site Liaison Committee**

**Resolved** that the Council be represented on the above Committee by Councillor V B Fox.

**(e) South Wales Police - Spotlight on Police Meetings & Partnerships and Communities Together (PACT) Meetings**

**Resolved** that the Council be represented on the above by Councillor M Jones:

**(f) East Pit East Revised Opencast Site Liaison Committee**

**Resolved** that the Council be represented on the Liaison Committee by Councillor D C Phillips.

Note: There are also three Residents' representatives from the Community who had been appointed to serve on the Committee.

**9. MINUTES**

**Resolved** that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on the 21<sup>st</sup> April 2010 and the Special meeting of the Council held on the 12<sup>th</sup> May 2010 be confirmed and signed as correct records.

**10. MATTERS ARISING**

**(a) Minute 164(d) – Cwmllynfell Hall**

A letter dated 1<sup>st</sup> May 2010 was received from Cwmllynfell Hall thanking the Council for the grant of £5,500. A new door had been bought for the gymnasium as a matter of urgency at a cost of £1,700. The Council's grant would be acknowledged at the next event which would be held at the hall.

**Resolved** that the letter be noted.

**(b) Minute 174 – Cemetery Gates**

It was reported that work was due to commence at the cemetery in connection with the replacement of the main gates during week commencing 7<sup>th</sup> June 2010.

**Resolved** that the report be noted.

## **11. RHIWFAWR TRADITIONAL WELSH PRIMARY SCHOOL**

A letter dated 20<sup>th</sup> April 2010 was received from Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council confirming that the Council's comments about the proposal to close Rhiwfawr School had been noted (Minute 153 of the 17<sup>th</sup> March 2010 refers). A further communication had been received stating that in the event of the proposal proceeding to the formal stage the Council would be involved in the consultation process.

**Resolved** that the situation be noted.

## **12. "A SHARED COMMUNITY"**

A letter was received from the Welsh Assembly Government outlining the measures which had been introduced across Wales as a result of the above guidance and encouraging Unitary Authorities and Town and Community Councils to continue in their efforts on relationship building measures and charters for those authorities.

**Resolved** that the matter be noted.

## **13. PUBLIC SERVICES OMBUDSMAN – GUIDANCE ON THE CODE OF CONDUCT**

A letter dated 29<sup>th</sup> April 2010 was received from the Ombudsman together with copies of the above guidance document for distribution amongst members of the Council.

**Resolved** that Members be requested to peruse and share the documents received.

## **14. RoSPA – ANNUAL INSPECTION – RHIWFAWR PARK**

A notification was received that the Annual Inspection would take place in June.

**Resolved** that RoSPA be requested to also prepare a tailored checklist for use by the Council at an additional cost of £25.

## **15. ONE VOICE WALES – ANNUAL CONFERENCE – 9<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2010**

**Resolved** that the invitation received from One Voice Wales for the Council to be represented at and submit motions to the Annual Conference be noted.

## **16. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

### **(a) Changes to Accounts and Audit Regulations and Capital Finance and Accounting Regulations in Wales**

A letter dated 7<sup>th</sup> May 2010 was received from the Welsh Assembly Government indicating that the above regulations and associated guidance had been amended. Community and Town Councils were reminded that with effect from 2011-12 the dates for the certification and approval/publication of accounts would be brought forward to the 30<sup>th</sup> June and 30 the September respectively/

**Resolved** that the information be noted.

**(b) Insurance**

The Clerk reported that the renewal of the Council's Insurance was due on the 1<sup>st</sup> June 2010 and the renewal notice received from Aon showed an increase from £945 to £1,028.87. It was suggested therefore that the Council may wish to consider reductions in the present cover for Playground Equipment and Machinery.

**Resolved** that the Clerk be authorised to negotiate reductions in the cover so as to maintain the premium at the same level as the current year.

**(c) Payment of Accounts**

**Resolved** that the following accounts be paid:

No			£
1458	Payroll	Net salary April	212.11
1459	Inland Revenue	Income Tax	53.03

**17. PLANNING APPLICATION.**

**Resolved** that no objection be raised to the following application:

App No:  
P2019/0410 Two storey side extension, single-storey conservatory to SIDE elevation, front porch and single-storey rear extension at Bryn Melyn, Rhiwfawr

**18. REPORTS**

The following matters were reported:

- South Wales Police Crime - March – 0  
Anti Social behaviour - March - 2
- PACT meeting – date changed to 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2010
- Sunken inspection covers/drains at Rhiw Road (opposite approx 100/102)
- Outstanding meeting with Celtic Energy vis a vis Bryn Road, also the gutters etc on this road
- Sunken inspection cover or drain at Railway Terrace near junction.

The meeting terminated at 7.30 pm.