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COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING, HELD
AT THE GEORGE EDWARDS HALL AND ZOOM ON Wednesday 20th of September
2023**

Chair: Councillor Mr P Vaughan

PRESENT Councillors Mrs S Benbow Jones, Mrs J Jones, Mrs I Twigg D Wright Mrs G Wright Deio Jones Project Coordinator, also Jayne Rogers and Zachary Jones from WCBC.

APOLOGIES Councillor Mr Phil Vaughan.

In the absence of Cllr P Vaughan, Cllr W Wright took over as Chair of the meeting.

TO DISCUSS LOW CARBON PROJECT WITH JAYNE RODGERS AND ZACHARY JONES, CARBON REDUCTION OFFICERS AT WCBC

Cllr D Wright briefed the committee on the Low Carbon Communities Project and how far the project has progressed over the summer recess. The money for the project has been received by the community council and possible project ideas are being discussed.

Jayne Rogers discussed with members how the project can be taken forward in the community of Cefn. One of the main aims is to create a community garden, and the site at Bro Gwilym (on the side of the CRNCA building) has been identified as the best location.

Jayne stated that there will be further funding opportunities available, and community engagement will identify projects that the community support. This engagement will go towards the Low Carbon community plan. Bat and bird boxes have been suggested and community workshops held in the George Edwards Hall.

Zach Jones confirmed that he has spoken with land assets at WCBC about the transfer of the Bro Gwilym land from Education to Cefn Community Council. He stated that he is awaiting feedback from WCBC Assets on how this can be achieved. The initial contact with the Education department suggested that they would be happy to transfer this land over.

Cllr Wright advised that a public consultation on change of use would be vital. Jayne agreed that when the project timeline has been discussed and details finalised, this can be organised.

Cllr Wright asked if the officers could contact the planning department to see what steps need to be taken for the change of use. Jayne confirmed that she has engaged with planning and will continue to do so.

Jayne discussed the tiny forest project as there has been funding allocated for this. Going forward all councillors and any members of the community are welcome to put forward any ideas for workshops and prospective sites for projects. Funding avenues are still being worked on including money from the Shared Prosperity Fund.

TO DISCUSS PARKING ISSUES AT KYNASTON PLACE AND SURROUNDING AREA.

Cllr Wright reported that parking buddies have been purchased and have been placed on the Zig Zag lines outside the school. Cllr Wright went on to discuss Kynaston Place parking issues at peak school times. He asked the project co-ordinator to explore funding avenues to make more parking spaces.

A further discussion followed where Deio Jones stated that funding for this would be tricky to obtain and a general discussion centred around school parking and the views of residents who live in the immediate vicinity. It was resolved that the clerk approach WCBC and ask for an estimate on how much it will cost to do the work on the site.

TO DISCUSS COUNCIL SOLICITOR RE: MUGA PITCH

A discussion was held on the difficulties in getting a service from the Councils current solicitors. They have been engaged by the council with regards to the MUGA Lease. Deio Jones suggested that council approach the solicitors to state that they are holding up prospective funding for the pitch. Cllr Wright would like to convene a meeting with members of the council and current solicitors to voice concerns.

TO DISCUSS AND RE-CAP WITH DEIO JONES FOLLOWING ON FROM THE LAST DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Deio Jones discussed funding from Cadwyn Clwyd for capital projects.

With regards to the bridge at Ty Mawr– as this is a large project the most realistic chance of this being done is part of the Trevor Basin project. The engineering firm have offered to do drawings of the prospective bridge. He suggested to park this for now due to the size of the project.

Funding avenues for a community project officer are still being explored.

Mr Jones suggested that the money from Cadwyn Clwyd could be used to upgrade the facilities on the MUGA. He will put an expression of interest to them to access this funding.

The clerk stated that she would like to concentrate on the MUGA development rather other projects at the moment as this is important for the community.

The clerk enquired if any possible funding avenues are available for small upgrades to hall facilities. This will be explored further as there has been an increase in hall bookings. Clerk to obtain quotes to gauge an idea of costs.

ACTION PLAN / GENERAL DISCUSSION

Deio Jones stated that he will furnish the clerk with a summary for the next full council meeting.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for the Tuesday the 14th of November at 10.30am

The Chairman thanked members for their attendance and declared the meeting closed