

CYNGOR CYMUNED Y FELINHELI

Minutes of the meeting 10 th November 2015 held at the Memorial Hall Y Felinheli at 7 p.m.		
PRESENT		
Daniel Williams	Nerys John	
Lena Ashley	George Smith	
Iestyn Harris	Sarah Riley	
Yasmin Khan	Gruff John	
Peter Simpson	Casi Roberts	
Wynne Barton – Financial Officer		
1.0	OPENING REMARKS AND CHAIRMAN'S REPORT	
1.1	<p>Councillor Daniel Williams was elected at Chairman of the Council. All present were in agreement with the appointment.</p> <p>The resignations of Ken Brown, Pat Jones and Louise Hughes were accepted.</p> <p>Three applications were received in regard to the vacant seat, the applicant were appropriate and fulfilled the criteria. The Council accepted the applications and the following were elected as members of the Council: Yasmin Khan, Casi Jones and Aled Emyr.</p> <p>Apologies: Mair Bebb Jones.</p>	
2.0	REPORT BY THE COUNTY COUNCILLOR	
	A written report was received; see appendix 1.	
3.0	DECLARATION OF INTEREST	
	None	
4.0	MINUTES	
4.1	The minutes of 20 th October 2015 were presented. The minutes were accepted as correct and signed accordingly.	
5.0	MATTERS ARISING	
5.1	Parc Bach Cychod – the sub-committee of the project is to meet early next week and present a report at the next monthly meeting.	NJ,MBJ,SR
5.2	Toilets – EXEMPT ITEM.	DW
5.3	Salt bins – An explanation was received from Gwynedd Council that a further letter with more details will be send; however the cost of replenishing the bins most probably will be approximately £78 in 2016/2017 but they will have been filled at the beginning of the winter.	
5.4	Retrospective planning applications – an explanation was received from Gwynedd Council.	
5.5	Bus Shelter – Information was received in regard to erecting a bus shelter at Aberpwll as well as an estimated cost. A discussion was on erecting a bus shelter in Aberpwll but no	

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	decision was made as the Council had not received enough information on the requirement of a planning application, materials to be used as it would be in a conservation area.	CLERK
6.0	HALL MANAGEMENT SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT	
6.1	Councillor Daniel Williams gave an update on matters concerning the hall. He stated that the dampness problem on the lower ground floor required an investigation. It was decided that enquiries should be made with the Chapel to see if it is possible to use the vestry whilst the investigation is ongoing. The Clerk to make arrangements with the damp experts.	CLERK
7.0	CONFIRM LAST MONTH'S EXPENDITURE AND FINANCIAL REPORT	
7.1	October's expenditure was confirmed.	
7.2	The appointment of the English External Auditors was discussed and it was decided to ask the Welsh Government as to why no Welsh Auditors were appointed.	CLERK
8.0	CORRESPONDENCE	
8.1	Survey on how many sleep on the street in Gwynedd – the survey was completed. The Clerk to forward it to Gwynedd Council.	CLERK
8.2	Gwynedd Council Licensing – Councillor Peter Simpson to look at the document and inform the clerk is any representations from the Council are required.	PJS/CLERK
9.0	MEMORIAL CLOCK	
9.1	Nothing to report, the application remains with Cadw.	
10.0	PLANNING APPLICATIONS	
10.1	C15/1052/20/LL – Erection of a first floor extension with balcony above, together with the change of use of the property existing kitchen to business use as a shop - Pant Erys, Beach Road, Y Felinhlei, LL56 4JF – NO OBJECTION	
10.2	C15/1122/20/LL – Retrospective application for the erection of a balcony at the rear of the property together with fence – 1 Tai'r Felin, Hen Gei Felinheli, LL56 4JF – NO OBJECTION	
11.0	CEMETARY SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT	
	Nothing to Report	
12.0	CAR PARK, LON LAS AND MORIAH SITE REPORT	
	Thanks were expressed to those members who helped with tidying up of the Moriah site and special thanks to Mr Dave White.	

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13.0	PUBLIC FOOTPATHS, BUS SHELTERS AND BENCHES	
13.1	There is a need to move forward with erecting the notice boards of the footpath tours around the village. The Clerk to contact Gareth Roberts.	
13.2	Some vandalism has occurred on some of the bus shelters. It was decided that the Clerk would contact the police officer Non Edwards in regard to this.	CLERK
14.0	COMMUNITY FLOOD PLAN	
14.1	This matter is receiving the attention of Gwynedd Council by their application for a Welsh Government grant to maintain the coastal wall.	
	The meeting came to an end at approximately 09:30	
Signature:		Date:

Appendix 1

Sian Gwenllian's Councillor Report

I would like to remind everyone to take part in the consultation Gwynedd's Challenge about the cuts that Gwynedd Council are forced into making because of Government financial policies. You can fill the questionnaire on-line <https://www.gwynedd.gov.uk/en/Council/Have-your-say/Gwynedd-Challenge.aspx> or visit any library for a paper copy. The Council is asking the people of Gwynedd which services they would save and which ones are less important. The Council is seeking the opinions of the public before the councillors have to take very difficult decisions in the spring. The National Grid is holding a second consultation about the Pylons. All the details on <http://www.northwalesconnection.com/> or at the Medical Centre. This could mean more pylons in the Nant Y Garth area.

Meeting by the Grid : Sat, Nov 21, Y Felinheli Memorial Hall 10-4 * Report below

- Rowen path: Gwynedd Council is meeting with one of the landowners in an attempt to agree on slight diversion to the path prior to commencing improvement work.
- They had intended to postpone the work until Cllr Sian Gwenllian persuaded them of its importance to the community.
- Coastal path: nearly all the landowners have now signed agreements which will enable Gwynedd Council to create a new section of the All Wales Coastal path through Felinheli , the Marina and Faenol.
- Parking: As we all know, the lack of parking spaces is a big problem in Felin. The discussions with the Church about the idea of creating a car park at the back of the Church Hall are continuing. The Parish Council has asked the architect Maredudd ap Iestyn for a quantities survey and initial designs for a project to modernise the hall, including the parking element. This could add to the community spaces already provided by the Community Council in their car park behind Bangor Street. It's good to see that private owners are making better use of private land at the back of Bangor St for parking.
- Collection for the Refugees: Thanks to everyone for their generosity whilst we collected items at Felin Sgwrsio before taking them to Bethesda and Capel Caersalem Caernarfon to be sent on to Calais. The response was excellent. I am a member of Ffrindiau Ffoaduriaid Caernarfon who organise a circle around the Castle in a symbolic gesture of support. There were many from Felin at the event.
- Penrallt Footpath: The condition of the path is much improved due to work by Gwynedd Council.
- Craft Fair Nov 24 Church Hall 6.30 pm

NO PYLONS TO PENTIR

By Cllr Sian Gwenllian Y Felinheli, member of the NO PYLONS campaign group

The campaign against pylons across the Menai Straits has been won with the National Grid saying they will "put the connection underground."

But the Grid says it will transfer the electricity on pylons from a 'compound' on the mainland to the sub-station at Pentir. They intend to build what they call a 'sealing end compound'

around an acre in size in the vicinity of Y Felinheli / Bangor to convert from underground cable to overhead cable after coming from under the Menai Straits.

They are consulting on this until December 16.

But why can't the Grid take the cables underground all the way from Y Fenai to Pentir, avoiding the need for new pylons in the area.

This is not an option being offered but would be the option favoured by local people, and you can say that in the consultation.

The precise route being proposed for the compound and the route of the pylons will be of great interest to people living in the Nant y Garth area and in the Pentir ward and I suggest you read the documents carefully.

The Grid is offering three options for the location of the compound and three options for the pylon route and you can find the details on the website or at Bangor Library or the Felinheli Medical Centre.

But of course, we don't have to accept any of the options on offer! You can reject all options and argue for putting the cables under the sea from Wylfa to Deeside and then there would be no need for underground cables across Mon or Gwynedd. No pylons!

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