

CYNGOR CYMUNED TREUDDYN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held Wednesday 12th February, 2020 at the Meeting Room, Village Hall, Queen St. Treuddyn for 7.00pm

1. CHAIRMAN : Cllr. R. Cracknell

2. PRESENT : Cllrs. B. Milne (Vice-Chair), G. Short, C. Thomas, A. Thomas, C. Hughes, B. Jones & C. Swan

3. APOLOGIES : Cllrs. J. Smith & I. Roberts

4. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

One member of the public present.

5. IMPROVING SCHOOL SAFETY

ATTENDING : Flintshire C.C Technical Safety Officer -Mr Anthony Stamford, Mrs Nia Cunnah Head Teacher of Ysgol Terrig & Mr M. Ashford Head Teacher of Ysgol Parc y Llan.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting this evening.

Ms Speed was invited to put forward any matters she wished to discuss with TCC.

Ms Speed spoke about her concern with safety outside the School campus. There is nowhere safe to park or cross the road. Ms Speed has travelled back and forth to the school for over 20 years and is worse now than ever.

It is not a safe option to cross from behind cars or between cars – a crossing is needed for the safety of everyone.

Branches hide the school sign and the road markings are not there – repainting is required.

FCC has drawn up an ‘Improvement Safety Scheme’ in which will be discussed and when approved will be sent off to the Welsh Government for possible funding.

County Cllr. Mrs Thomas stated that Mountain Lane Primary School Buckley and Ysgol Bryn Coch, Mold have been WG funded to improve ‘Safer Routes’ to School, both projects have been completed.

The Chair indicated to find a solution is going to be a real challenge; there are a lot of concerns to be addressed.

Mr M. Ashford gave a presentation highlighting the safety concerns at the Schools that require urgently addressing.

- Parking for staff at the campus is a challenge for the two schools, some have to park on the street.
- Mr Ashford pointed out on the screen the crossing point that children are using to come onto the school campus – It is a ‘danger area’. Parents are not looking where they are parking; some parents think they are entitled to park in front of the youth wing.
- Mr Ashford and Mrs Cunnah are proposing the car park is shut and used for staff only. Taxi spaces could be used as additional parking from 10am to 2.45pm.
- It was stated the car park entrance should have been lower down.

Mr A. Stamford stated the present layout of the parking wouldn’t be to current design standards now. The Schools have no obligation to give parents parking; Welsh Government will not fund expansion of a car park.

Cllr. Cracknell indicated that parents who have a child with a disability and hold a blue badge for the child: 2 disabled spaces should be retained. Mr Stamford stated that 4% of the parking area would be 1 space for disabled parking. Taxi and Mini bus bays would remain.

Arrive Alive – Mr Stamford said that Arrive Alive would not visit once a month. A speed and volume survey would need to be carried out over a period of 7 days if there is an issue with speeding ‘Go Safe’ would attend.

There have been no fatalities in the area for a Speed Camera to be considered.

Community speed watch working with North Wales Police could be considered.

Mr A. Stamford also stated to close the car park would exasperate the problem onto the road.

The scheme would be scored under Safer Routes in the Community, This could include:

- Cycle facilities
- New or extended lengths of footway
- Vehicle activated signs
- Safer crossing points
- 20mph zone

The long-term solution would be funding from the WG, the short-term solution – to close the car park. As a priority scheme it should score highly.

The Chair stated the car park should be shut after Easter; the Schools are taking steps to mitigate the issue.

Mr A. Stamford stated that a Traffic Order has to be advertised which takes 6 to 8 weeks; Procedures and Traffic Regulations have to be followed.

Both schools have the approval and support of the County Councillor and Treuddyn C.C.

The Chair proposed a motion that TCC are deeply concerned with the safety of the school campus and to work with the school and FCC for a rapid solution.

Seconded Cllr. B. Milne

Motion approved.

The Chair and members thanked Mr Anthony Stamford, Mrs N. Cunnah & Mr M. Ashford for attending this evening.

6. ATTENDING: MR IAN WILLIAMS – FCC STREETSCENE AREA SUPERVISOR

Mr Williams gave an update on reported matters from the Monthly Action Plan sheet.

1. Resurfacing of the highway in front of the ‘Farmers’ will be done in conjunction with the ‘Sunspot’ Junction.
2. It was reported to Mr Williams the pavement towards the school is in need of repair due to bad deterioration.

The Chair and members thanked Mr Ian Williams for attending this evening.

7. PCSO REPORT

PCSO Peter Jones was unable to attend the meeting this evening.

Incident Update (from 16/01/2020 to 07/02/20)

Crime (Red = update from last month)

1 x Burglary – Ffordd Y Blaenau - Nobody home at the time. Entry has been gained through the garage into the house. Car keys and TV taken from within. It is believed that the suspects were targeting performance vehicles. House to house conducted and crime scene investigation have attended and lifted glove marks – All lines of enquiry completed no suspect has been identified.

1 x Theft from a vehicle – Ffordd Carreg Y Llech – vehicle has been broken into and an amount of cash has been taken from within – All lines of enquiry completed no suspect has been identified.

1 x Theft from vehicle – Ffordd Y Felin – Small amount of change stolen from a vehicle – Suspect has been identified but Victim didn’t wish to pursue a complaint therefore he was not arrested and taken away from the area.

1 x Criminal Damage – Llys Y Wern – Vehicle has been damaged (small dint) by a pellet gun that local youths have managed to get hold of – enquiries on-going.

Antisocial Behavior

1 x ASB – Ysgol Parc y Llan, Ffordd y Llan – Local youths have been on school grounds messing around trying to damage property in the evening. Youths have been identified and will be dealt with.

8. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None declared.

9. MINUTES OF THE MEETING – 8th January 2020

The Minutes were adopted as a true and correct record

Proposed : Cllr. C. Swan Seconded: Cllr. G. Short

9a. Matters arising from the Minutes.

None

10. ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

It was agreed to discuss in the March meeting.

11. VILLAGE PROJECTS – Updates

1. Link Path – No update from Contractors. Clerk to follow up.
2. Cemetery. Flowers boxes have been tidied up. The clerk has discussed the hedge planting – this will be done when the ground has dried out, at present the ground is too wet due to the high volume of rain.
3. Cenotaph – To follow up the design of a new gate by Poplars Forge.
4. New Bus Shelter – planting of shrubs. The clerk has spoken with Mr Fisher and confirmed trees and shrubs required for this area.

12. PLANNING

No planning applications received.

Public Footpath No. 35 in the Community of Treuddyn

Proposed Diversion of a Section of Public Footpath No. 35 in the Community of Treuddyn.

The above order was made by the County Council on the 17th December 2019. Enclosed a copy of the Order together with a Notice and an explanatory statement.

13. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Flintshire C.C. Advertisement of TCC vacancy. It has been confirmed that no request for an election was received within fourteen days of the date of the notice and it is order for the Community Council to fill the vacancy by co-option.
2. St. Mary's Church, Treuddyn. A letter from the Churchwarden informing TCC that the faculty application to put a remembrance bench in the Churchyard has been deferred for various reasons. Further information is required with reference to the fixing of the seat. The Diocesan Advisory Committee have also queried the reason for placing a remembrance bench in the churchyard. The Clerk to forward a reply.
3. A letter received from Cllr. Ms B. Milne, who sadly will be leaving Treuddyn in the Spring and therefore will be resigning from the Community Council, March 2020 will be Cllr. Milne's last meeting.

14. PLAY AREAS.

Queen Street Play Area: Inspection and maintenance of BMX Track.

FCC Aura's Play Inspection and Maintenance Service carried out the Inspection in which members received a copy of the report.

Some areas if the BMX track requires attention as seen in the Inspection Report.

Mr Richard Roberts will make enquires to the approved contractors for costs to carry out the work.

Small Wheel Play Update

Mr Richard Roberts has waited for a reply for some time form Bendcrete for a quote but no reply has been received. Mr Roberts is doing further research into other companies.

15. BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Cheque Number

1609	Lloyd Bank Commercial Finance Ltd –	
	Re: Printcentre Wales TCC Newsletter	£879.00

1610	Scottish Power Plc	£198.71
1611	Scottish Power Plc	£198.25
1612	One Voice Wales Membership 2020/21	£249.00
1613	Mr M. Fisher – Village Maintenance Jan Inv	£40.00
1614	C.J Thomas Clerk’s salary January	£351.67
1615	HMRC Tax/NI January payment	£126.20

It was proposed by Cllr. G. Short for TCC to pay the £48.82 tax on the Clerk’s expenses.

Seconded: Cllr. C. Swan

Motion carried.

16. STREET LIGHTING

No faults reported

17. COMMUNITY COUNCILLOR’S REPORTS

1. Poor Broadband and Mobile connection

To Agenda Broad Band & 4G for the March meeting.

2. St. Mary’s Church, Treuddyn. Deeside Silver Band concert to be held on the 1st May 2020.

Chairman -----

11.03.2020

