**Clyne and Melincourt Community Council - Cyngor Cymuned Clyne and Melincourt Community Council**

The Minutes of Ordinary General Meeting held by teleconference

on Wednesday 28th April 2021 at 6pm

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| **1.** | Record of councillors present and apologies for absence.  Present: Clerk; K Thomas  Cllrs G. Francis; C. Lake; Cllr I. Jones and D. Rosser.  Apologies: M. Hopkins; NPT Cllr D. Lewis |
| **2.** | **Disclosure and confirmation of declarations of interest**  **None disclosed** |
| **3.** | **To Confirm the Minutes** 31st March 2021 Cllrs G. Francis and C. Lake |
| **4.** | **To discuss the following from the minutes**  04/21/93 **Deposit and burying of Tyre Bales at Lletty Dafydd Clyne – TSN**  The occupant did not respond to the TSN issued, which is history repeating itself since this was his response last year to the TSN issued by NPT. This Council advised NPT Planning that if the occupant continues to ignore their requests, they have no other recourse but to consider the expediency of taking legal action, costly but a very necessary process.  .    04/21/94 **Update from Melin Court Windfarm.**  Planning Application submitted to Resolven Ward  Reference P2021/0502  Alternative Reference Not Available  Application Received Thu 06 May 2021  Application Validated Tue 11 May 2021  Address Melin Court Wind Farmland To The East Of Melin Court Resolven Neath  Proposal Nonmaterial amendment to approved planning application P2014/0883 for a change of description to:  Installation of 5 wind turbines, together with ancillary development including substation and control building, on site underground electrical cables, access tracks, meteorological mast, crane hard standings, temporary construction compound, palisade fencing on site pond and site access.  Status Awaiting decision  Appeal Status Unknown  Appeal Decision Not Available  Chair reported Ms Amanda Swann, Muir Energy, has requested to update the Council. Chair will provide further information at the next meeting.  04/21/ 95 **Parking on pavement outside Tonclwyda SA11 4 BS.**  NPT Cllr Dean Lewis to follow up issue with NPT Highways Officer and requested a Highways Safety Survey to investigate curb side parking throughout community. Cllr D. Lewis met with residents. Further discussion with Highway’s officer recommended double yellow lines be installed from the cusp of the bend leading to the bus stop.  Cllr Dean Lewis reported to Council that he proposed to fund this development from money allocated to the ward. Cllr D Lewis to further discussion with Mr M **Brumby** Highways Office to investigate the feasibility of highway modification at this location. Council await progress. NPT Cllr Dean Lewis advised this would be deferred to new financial year.  04/21/96 **Broken Picnic Table at Melincourt Car Park** removed for repair. NPT Cllr requested to investigate the replacement. Cllr. D. Lewis advised that this was unlikely to be replaced during Corvid restrictions.  04/21/97 **Stone Theft Melincourt Chapel**. Cllr Dean Lewis contacted NPT Finance Director. Funding is available to restore burial area. Council will investigate further when weather permits, and Corvid restrictions are relaxed. Cllr Dean Lewis informed police who have contacted the Chapel administrator.  04/21/98 **Waterfall Country Report**.  Council is represented on this recently formed group who are investigating opportunities to promote the visitor attraction area for community benefit.  The organisation exists to benefit the communities it serves. It will be community-led with a broad representation from sectors and individual communities from across the Waterfall Country area.  Through its activities the organisation will seek to:   * Derive community benefit from the high number of visitors to the area including increasing visitor spend in the area. * Work with partners to mitigate visitor impact and promote sustainable, environmentally aware tourism through information and community-based solutions.   Chair advised Council that she has been appointed to the board of trustees and will continue to update Council.  04/21/99 **Ty Banc Canal Project – Cardiff University**  Council continues to support canal maintenance within Clyne boundary.  04/21/100 **Bank Erosion causing subsidence to pavement adjacent to Tonclwyda Bus Stop (opposite to Ynys-yr-Afon)**  Report passed to Cllr Dean Lewis for NPT Engineering investigation  04/21/101 **Hazardous Conditions on New Road Approach to Tonna**  Council reports of several incidents arising from the poor drainage, icy conditions and trees falling on the highway. NPT Cllr Dean Lewis has received a report from NPT Drainage advising that to remedy will require a localised scheme to intercept the run-off and connect to a positive system. The location presents inherent difficulties.  04/21/102 **Collaboration proposal - Glynneath Town Council**  A proposal has been put forward to the upper communities of the Neath Valley to enter a joint venture to access the balance on the European Leader Funds with the view to funding the appointment of a grants officer (part Leader Funds and part Pen y Cymoedd)  Documentation circulated to Council for approval at AGM, 14/05/21.  The agreement which is not legally binding expires November 2022 but its effectiveness and possibilities for further funding will be reviewed in May 2022. Any member councils wishing to withdraw from the agreement will incur costs on leaving.  04/21/103 **Deterioration Railway Bridge at Clyne**  Reference: SN8000   The Chair reported that this bridge appears on website being described.  [SN8000](https://www.geograph.org.uk/gridref/SN8000) : B4434 crossing “rusted railway bridge near Clyne taken 3 years ago”. The photograph shows the dilapidated structure. This is hardly conducive to attracting tourists to the area.  Reports from residents concerned by the community impact of the laden construction vehicles involved in the housing development of  at the former Clun school site.  Cllr Dean Lewis had approached NPT Engineering who agreed to contact Network Rail.  04/21/104 **Purchase of Defibrillators**.  Local resident enquired the installation of facilities locally. This purchase was investigated prior to lock-down.  Council investigated possible suppliers. Quotes obtained.  04/21/105 **Flooding Rear of Gored Terrace**.  Cllr D Lewis to update    04/21/106 **Abandoned Car: Cove’s Field**  NPT Cllr Dean Lewis advised Council that all owners of parked vehicles had been served with notice. |
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**Keith Thomas**

**Clerk to the Council**

**28th April 2021**