

ISYCOED COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Minutes of the full Council meeting held on Tuesday 18th February 2025

Present: Councillors Peter Jones (Chairman) Stephen Ellis, Sharon Worsnop, Jack Brereton-Thomas and Sandra Hinds.

Min 95 - Apologies: Apologies were received from Cllrs Paul Williams and Mike Morris.

Min 96 – Declarations of Interest: *The Chair will remind all Members of the need to declare any personal or prejudicial interest in items on the agenda, either at the beginning of the meeting or when the relevant item arises*

There were no declarations of interest.

Min 97 – Public Participation: *The Council should adjourn for 5 minutes to allow members of the public to ask questions or make statements (NB Councillors should not enter discussion with the public at this time as to do so would be contrary to the advice of the Welsh Government.)*

No members of the public attended.

Min 98 – Minutes: The draft minutes of the meeting held on the 21st January 2025 were considered and approved as a true and accurate record.

Min 99 – Matters Arising:

Risk Assessments – The Chairman and Clerk met with the caretaker to undertake a risk assessment for the post of caretaker and also for the Village Hall. It was AGREED to purchase a laminator for the additional signs required and also a hazard warning sign for wet floors for the caretaker to use. The Conditions of hire have also been amended to include a requirement for use of the trolleys provided for moving chairs and tables.

Min 100 – Casual Vacancy.

It was reported that unfortunately Cllr Dennis Edwards had resigned from the Council following his recent house move. The Clerk was asked to write to him on behalf of the Community Council to say a huge thankyou for all he has done for the Community Council in the past few years. His involvement in the many refurbishment projects he undertook in the hall has been greatly appreciated and had made a big difference to the now upgraded facilities. The Council wishes him all the very best for the future and hopes he and his wife Angela will be able to continue the hard work they have put into setting up the successful Hub group which meets on Thursday mornings.

Min 101 – To appoint a Vice-Chair It was RESOLVED to appoint Councillor Sharon Worsnop to the position of Vice-chair for the current financial year 2024-25.

Min 102 – Crime Report: The meeting was attended by PCSO Emma Maddocks.

Discussion took place on the 3 policing priorities to include:

1. Speeding on both the main roads and back lanes particularly outside the school.
2. Illegal parking on double yellow lines and on the pavements along Oak Rd and Dunster Rd. Cllr Stephen Ellis stated that the situation had deteriorated further since the previous meeting.
3. Dangerous driving along the unclassified roads and tracks particularly bad and noisy at night.

Min 103 –

a) Finance report.

The financial report for the January/February period was received and accepted. It was **RESOLVED** to approve the following accounts for payment:

Accounts for Payment	Chq No	Amount
AVOW (February staff payroll)	Bacs	£604.71
British Telecom (January broadband + vat)	DD	£42.55
Wrexham Window cleaner		£16.00
Bryn Valley Supplies (Hall caretaking supplies)		£24.00
HSBC Bank Charges 24/1/25		£6.96
	Total:	£694.22

Income (Jan and Feb 2025)

HSBC Interest 31/1/25	£3.42
Hall income	£280.00

b) Grant applications under the power of Section 137

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the following grants:

Wrexham Litter Pickers	£50
Wales Air Ambulance	£50

Min 104 – Village Hall

- a) Bookings: The Clerk updated members on recent bookings received.
- b) The caretaker does not require an additional small buffer for the main hall as it won't get under the pipe work. No additional training is required for the large buffer.

Min 105 – Planning Applications

The following Planning Applications were considered:

P/2024/1638 - Entrec, Redwith Rd, WXM Ind Estate, siting of portacabin
RESOLVED - No objection

P/2025/0091 - Land West of Cobham Cottage, Isycoed, erection of replacement agricultural building

RESOLVED - No objection with the following comments:

1. The access splay would be better left as it is currently situated on the corner into the site. It will be more difficult to get sufficient splay for access in the new location shown on the revised location plan.
2. It is noted that this is an application for an agricultural building only and not for equine.

P/2025/0142 - 5 Ridley Wood Court, relocation of existing LV Pole, installation of 40 metre HV Line to new pole with stays
RESOLVED - No objection

Min 106 – Correspondence

The following correspondence was received and noted:

- WCBC – information on St Davids Day celebrations - noted
- Cheshire Run 16th Feb - Residents complaints about the Cheshire Run held on 16th Feb. Discussion took place on the problems experienced during the event in particular the total road closures causing considerable inconvenience to residents. The Clerk was asked to contact the Environment Dept at WCBC to request an officer attends the next Council meeting in order to discuss the complaints received and how these can be addressed prior to any future events.
- The Rainbow Foundation – info on Warm spaces restarting at Marchwiel from 14th Feb and at Rainbow Centre, Penley from 21st Feb - noted

Min 107 – VE Day Celebrations Discussion took place on how best to celebrate the 80th Anniversary of VE Day on 8th May:

The Chairman is proposing with Cllr Paul Williams to build a beacon to be lit during the evening.

Cllr Sharon Worsnop is going to arrange for the Church bell to be rung at 6.30pm

Cllr Jack Brereton-Thomas will make contact with the school to invite them to bring school children along.

The fish and chip van will be asked to stay later in the hall car park and it was agreed to purchase flags and bunting for the event

Tables and chairs will be put out in the car park weather permitting and residents encouraged to bring their own picnic. Wine will be purchased to hand out at the event

The new PA system will be used for 'I vow to thee my country' to be sung at the lighting of the beacon.

This item was then deferred to the next meeting in March for further discussion.

Min 108 Independent Remuneration

Members were reminded to return their forms to the Clerk with regard to payments for Independent Remuneration

Min 109 – Members reports

Cllr Stephen Ellis reported there were still noise issues on Oak Rd coming from James Jones Ltd. The level of noise from the premises is unacceptable despite measures being put in place at the end of last year to fit silencers to the cyclone which has had little effect. The Clerk will contact the relevant department at WCBC to report the ongoing problems.

Min 110 – Date of Next meeting

The next meeting of the Community Council will be held on Tuesday the 18th March 2025 at 7pm at the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.35pm.

Signed.....Cllr Peter Jones (Chair)

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