

**SULLY AND LAVERNOCK COMMUNITY COUNCIL
CYNGOR CYMUNED ABERSILI A LARNOG**

**Ordinary Meeting of the Council
Tuesday 24th November 2020 6.30pm.**

In accordance with the provisions of the Local Authorities (Coronavirus)(Meetings)(Wales) Regulations 2020, the meeting was held by way of the remote participation (Zoom) of the members of the Council and public.

Due to the confidential nature of the matters to be resolved upon, members of the public and press were excluded from part 2 of the meeting.

Minutes

Present

- Martyn James (MJ)
- Lino Scaglioni (LS)
- Chris Tatt (CT)
- Rod Thomas (RT)
- Steve Oaten (Clerk)
- Ian Barlow (IB)
- David Sylvester (DS)

Apologies

- None

Public attendance

- Approximately 25

PART ONE

Declarations of interest

- DS Anything to do with Sully Centurions Cricket Club
- LS Purchase by the clerk of printed stationary

Vice Chairman's Report

- The Vice Chairman opened the meeting at 6.37pm and spoke of the resignation of the previous chairman Christopher Morgan who was thanked for his service to the community and the council.

Election of new Chairman.

- Councillor Tatt proposed Councillor Scaglioni to be the new Chairman and this was seconded by Councillor Sylvester
- There were no other nominations
- Votes for were MJ, DS, CT and LS
- Councillors Barlow and Thomas abstained
- Councillor Scaglioni was duly elected as the new Chairman of the council.

Approve the minutes of previous meetings

- There was a discussion regarding the minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the 14TH October 2020. There were a number of explanations and a counter proposal regarding the accuracy of the minutes.
- The council voted against the amendment to correct perceived inaccuracies

- The voting was IB, RT and DS voted for it whilst LS, CT and MJ voted against and as the Chairman had the casting vote the amendment was denied.
- The vote in relation to the minutes being accurate was MJ, CT and LS for, IB against and DS and RT abstained.
- **The council resolved that the minutes were an accurate reflection of the meeting that had taken place on those dates (18.58hrs).**

Democratic Session

- The Chairman advised that any questions for the council could also be directed to the clerk via e mail
- Following a question from Phil Baguely it was confirmed by the Chairman that a policy regarding Bullying and formalities regarding proceedings within the council and contact with the clerk was still current and been adopted
- Richard Thomas made a suggestion that in view of the up coming elections in possibly February that the council stood down as a whole to allow new people on. There was some discussion on this with no resolution.
- Vicki Judd asked a question regarding the resignation of the previous Chairman who provided the meeting with an explanation. She also made mention of the costs regarding the suspension of the previous clerk, would we ever find out how much and was advised it would be discussed in part 2 of the meeting.

Planning application Lower Cosmeston Farm

- The Chairman advised that there should be a corporate approach and response in relation to the proposals.
- Councillor Tatt advised that this had been done through the Keeping Cosmeston Green group and had been signed by relevant groups.
- Councillor Penrose gave an update from his perspective regarding the proposed application. There had been an online petition set up by keep Cosmeston Green group which had 5243 signatures on it so far which was over the 5000 required for it to be discussed at the Senydd.

Allocation of section 106 monies

- It was agreed following various discussions that the survey conducted by the OFC would be concluded by the end of the month and that information would be available for the January meeting.
- Bob Penrose advised that applications would be invited from individual groups and that the money would be set aside for the communities of Sully and Lavernock and not syphoned off elsewhere. There would need to be application submitted to the relevant 106 officer for consideration. At the moment some 25% of the total money available is being released.

Award of the Millennium Shield

- The clerk advised the public and councillors of the nominations received and the recipients of those nominations
- **The council resolved to award the Millennium Shield to the 1st Sully Scout Group**

Christmas trees for the village

- It had been previously resolved upon that two trees be provided, one either end of the village. Clarity was sort regarding size and decorating etc.
- **The Council resolved that prior to next Christmas they would look at the possible installation of a tree at Cosmeston**

Change of Bank recommendations

- The clerk updated the council regarding this and that the preferred bank instead of Barclays would be Unity Trust Bank.

- **The council resolved that they required the clerk to effect the changes of banking provisions**

Approval of payments

- The list of those to be paid was distributed to councillors and they were provided with the current balances of the council accounts
- **The council agreed the list of payments**

Changes to policies and procedures eg Financial Regs/Standing orders/Meeting protocols

- The clerk outlined to the council that for various reasons, not least the fact that standing orders for instance went against what was in the local government act needed to be amended. The Financial regulations needed amending and had not been amended for two years.
- **The council resolved that the clerk draw up suggested amendments for them to be considered at the January meeting**