

**MINUTES OF A BORTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COMMUNITY HALL
ON MONDAY 4th JULY 2022 AT 19.00HRS**

Present: Chairperson: R Dalton (chair in the absence of H Hughes)
C Bainbridge
M Griffiths
A Hughes
A J Morris
D Pryce Jones
N Salmon
H Williams
In Attendance: Clerk: M Walker
3 Members of the Public.

APOLOGIES

49. Chairman Cllr H Hughes, Cllrs G B Jones and A Thomas. The Chair introduced Isabelle Railton as the new clerk who will take up the post on the 1st September and welcomed her to the meeting.

PRESENTATION BY ANDY ROWLAND OF ECODYFI

50. Cllr Dalton welcomed Andy Rowland to the meeting. He spoke about a scheme called “Energy Local” which is energy efficiency support for householders and small businesses to pay a lower price for power by working with local renewable energy generators. Andy spoke about how energy clubs work and grid constraints. Following his talk there was a question and answer session. The Chair thanked Andy for attending the meeting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

51. Mr James Davies has looked at the Council accounts and the balance carried forward to this financial year is substantially less than in previous years due to greater expenditure. He advises that with the current financial climate Borth CC needs to keep a substantial balance in their accounts for any unexpected outgoings.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

52. To remind Cllrs that any matters of interest which may arise during the meeting must be declared.

MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING

53. It was resolved to confirm the minutes of the monthly meeting held on 6 June as being a true record. Proposed by Cllr Morris and seconded by Cllr Griffiths. All members voted in favour.

MATTERS ARISING

54. Minute 33. Cllr Morris gave an update on a conversation he had with Ann Griffith of NRW regarding the proposed maintenance of the leats within the IDD and the licences required to carry out such works. The leat between the railway line and the village is not in the current round of proposed works.

CORRESPONDENCE

55. All correspondence from One Voice Wales, Welsh Government and Ceredigion County Council was forwarded to all members prior to the meeting. No issues were raised by members relating to the correspondence. Other correspondence not requiring any action was received from Borth Community Hub – re Mens Shed taster sessions, Siriol Teifi - Promote window dressing competition in the lead up to the National Eisteddfod, Tir Coed Survey, a thank you from Wales Air Ambulance for the recent donation.

56. Ben Lake AS/MP. A thank you for all the work that the community council does within the ward on behalf of the community. Also in addition if closing the post office in Borth creates difficulties for local people please let him know so that he can raise these issues on their behalf.

57. Borth Station Museum. The museum will open from the 2nd July until September 4th on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. There will also be extra Wednesday openings for the special archaeological exhibition during August.

58. Meals on Wheels. Details of the newly re-instated HubGrub-Meals on Wheels service.

59. ROSPA Play Safety inspection report. Cllr Bainbridge gave a brief update on the report. It was proposed by Cllr Williams and seconded by Cllr Salmon to set aside a sum of £200 for the small repair works in order to comply with the ROSPA report. All members voted in favour. The main gate will be taped off as a temporary measure whilst quotes are obtained for the repairs.

60. Other Correspondence. Glasdon catalogue.

ACCOUNTS

61. Balance of Accounts at 13 June 2022

Nationwide	25312.45
Charitable Bank Acct	12392.56
Business No Notice Acct	7449.45
Deposit Account	3829.95

62. Income

HMRC – VAT refund 2021/22	7449.45
Deposit Account – gross int to 2/6/22	0.48
Charitable A/C- income from the sale of jubilee mugs	32.00

63. Expenditure – Members resolved to pay the following: Proposed by Cllr Hughes and seconded by Cllr Bainbridge with all members voting in favour.

Charitable Account bank charges	7.00
TME Electrical Contracting Ltd – set up and take down xmas tree lights, new set of lights	835.79
J H Matthews – audit of 2021/22 accounts	100.00
A Thomas – councillor remuneration	150.00
Audit Wales – 2020/21 audit fee	420.00
Helen Williams – flowerbed plants	41.70
Playsafety Limited- playground report	109.20
HMRC – Clerks PAYE – April, May and June	424.60
M Walker – Clerks salary 530.85, off exp 9.99	540.84
Heledd Davies – May and June minute translation	214.40

PLANNING

64. Application for Full Planning Permission.

A220366. Erection of two dwellings for holiday use (amended design to extant planning permission A170969). Land south of Wigwam, Ynyslas, Borth. **The Council has no objection though we did not notice any difference in ridge heights on the drawings. Borth CC feels disappointed that the application is being considered as holiday homes instead of affordable housing for local people. Given these comments could CCC be mindful when considering the next LDP. Also, how much solar panelling will they be able to accommodate considering south facing rooms?**

COASTAL DEFENCE AND FLOODING

65. County Cllr Hughes due to his absence was unable to give an update on his meeting with the Chief Executive of CCC. Cllr Salmon has noticed that some of the old groynes on the beach are exposed and dangerous. There appears to be problems with reporting issues via CLIC and a failure to act on those issues. This will be included as an agenda item to be discussed at the September meeting.

WALL OPPOSITE PREMIER STORES

66. Following a meeting with representatives of CCC County Cllr Hughes it was suggested that Huw Bates contact the legal department of CCC on Borth Community Council's behalf on the position regarding ownership of the land in question and our concerns regarding the safety of the wall having not been repaired. Cllr Andrea Hughes proposed that we instruct Huw Bates to act on our behalf, seconded by Cllr Salmon with all members voting in favour.

CYCLE PARKING IN BORTH

67. Cllr Salmon has liaised with Kim Williams to identify possible locations for a cycle rack. Cllr Dalton has agreed to contact Network Rail to see if they would be willing to fund one outside the train station. Other suggestions were outside the Community Hall, by the RNLI station and one down by the public toilets opposite the old TIC. The racks cost approximately £260 + vat. Cllr Williams suggested making enquiries with CAVO for possible grant funding. Cllr Williams proposed that we proceed, Cllr Bainbridge seconded with all members voting in favour.

CELEBRATING RAY QUANT MBE

68. Cllr Bainbridge has spoken to Mrs Hilary Matthews and it was agreed that the next step should be to contact Ray to ask what he thinks of the idea to change the name of the community hall to include his name in recognition of his service to the Borth ward.

TRAFFIC SAFETY AND SIGNAGE ON CLARACH ROAD

69. The overgrown hedge near the Hub has been reported via Clic. Cllr Williams is concerned at the speeding on that stretch of road and in addition to the safety aspect there are no pavements either side. She will write to the Highways department of CCC and copied to the Chief Executive to express her concerns. Also she will ask whether it is possible to move the fencing at the bottom of Cliff Road to make the pavement bigger.

SAFE WALKING ROUTE TO SCHOOL

70. Cllr Williams has reported concerns over parking on the cliff on the safe route to school to County Cllr Hughes and the overgrown grass on the narrow pavement area as you walk up Cliff Road. Cllr Griffiths volunteered to ask her son to cut back the grass which has grown through the railings making it difficult to walk on the pavement.

COUNCIL WEBSITE

71. Ongoing.

NATIONAL EISTEDDFOD

72. Both the Eisteddfod committee and carnival committee have acquired bunting and banners for the forthcoming events.

DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING

73. Cllr Hughes updates members on defibrillator training. She has been in contact with someone willing to carry out two training sessions at weekends at a cost of £30 for a 2-2 ½ hour training session. Cllr Williams proposed and Cllr Morris seconded with all members voting in favour.

CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS

74. No report.

COUNCILLORS RESPONSIBILITIES

75. Councillors volunteered to accept the following responsibilities linking future generations and how the 7 domains fit in:

C Bainbridge	Boat Park, Playground, Governor Ysgol Graig yr Wylfa, Community Health Council, Arts, Borth Community Hub Trustee, Emergency Plan Warden.
R Dalton	Boat Park, PACT, Borth Community Hub Trustee and Housing, Volunteer at the Railway Station Museum, Speeding and Emergency Plan Co-ordinator.
M Griffiths	Council rep on BSPFA, National Eisteddfod and Health and Emergency Plan Warden.
A Hughes	Community Engagement and Defibrillators, Emergency Plan Warden.
H Hughes	Boat Park, Common Land, "Tree", Facebook and Website, Speeding, Borth Community Hub Trustee, Fire, Emergency Plan Co-ordinator.
D Jones	Boat Park, Litter, Dogs, National Eisteddfod, Facebook and Emergency Plan Warden, Lifeguards.
G B Jones	Emergency Plan Warden, Arts and Welsh Language, Financial Internal Examiner, Defibrillators and BCC representative on the Borth Health and Care project.
A J Morris	Boat Park, Leats and Internal Ditch Drainage, Financial Internal Examiner and Emergency Plan Warden.
N Salmon	Dyfi Biosphere, traffic and pedestrian access, speeding, Emergency Plan Warden.
A Thomas	Arts, Business Representative and Emergency Plan Warden
H Williams	Social prescribing, Borth Community Hub, dementia friendly and disability access, Emergency Plan Warden.

Cllr Dalton referred to correspondence from the Golf Club asking Borth Community Council to take over the management and financial responsibility of the defibrillator sited on their property. After a brief discussion it was decided that this is not something the Council wished to undertake as all defibs which they are responsible for are for public use.

Cllr Dalton with the assistance of Cllr Bainbridge are to remove all covid notices put up around the village.

Cllr Williams expressed her concern, in light of the increase in covid cases, at the lack of ventilation in the room where the meeting was being held. If cases continue to rise then possibly meetings will go back to being held via Zoom but the Council will wait for guidance from Welsh Government before the September meeting.

Cllr Bainbridge asked for a boat park meeting. Carnival will hopefully go ahead this year. All licences have been applied for.

Cllr Griffiths has reported the car displaying an "ambulance" sign to the police. Dogs on the beach remains a big problem. It was agreed to put something out on social media to make people aware that there is a dog ban.

Cllr Andrea Hughes reported that all defibrillators are currently working.

Cllr Morris had nothing to report.

Cllr Salmon has been researching seagull flaps on the street bins. Cllr Salmon has researched Local Places for Nature and unfortunately funding for an orchard at the school is not viable as the area would have to be open to the public. Keep Wales Tidy are organising litter picking activities. Cllr Salmon approached four males on the train station that were terrorising the swallows. She is concerned at the amount of anti social behaviour in Borth at present. It was suggested that Cllr Salmon writes to CCC Youth Services. Concerns can be raised at the next PACT meeting to be held on Thursday 14th July.

COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

76. No report.

NEXT MEETING AND MATTERS FOR AGENDA

77. There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.50pm. Agenda items for the next meeting to be held on Monday 5th September 2022 to include Coastal Defence and Flooding, Wall opposite Premier Stores, Celebrating Ray Quant MBE, Council Website, Climate Change, Leat Clearance, Clic System, Cycle Parking in Borth, Boat Park and Playground report. Any other items are to be notified to the Clerk. Cllr Hughes will issue a link to the hybrid meeting in advance.