

**Minutes of Abernant Community Council**  
**Talog Village Hall, Thursday evening, 13<sup>th</sup> of May 2021**

**Present:** Mr Ian Williams, Mr Eirian Howells, Mrs Katrina Gabillia, Mr Chris Bish, Cllr Jean Lewis

**1. Chairman's Remarks:** The Chairman extended a warm welcome to everyone to the meeting

**2. Apologies for absence:** Mr Paul Moggridge, Mr Robin Williams

**3. Confirm the minutes of September 2020 meeting:**

Proposed: Mr Ian Williams

Seconded: Mr Chris Bish

**4. Matters arising from the minutes:**

(a) The erosion on the corner by Cilwendeg is deteriorating. Clerk to request the Highways section of Carmarthenshire County Council to inspect and provide an update prior to the next meeting

(b) The defibrillator itself at Abernant Primary School has now been removed by E Howells. Official confirmation received from Education Department for the Council to remove the cabinet to an alternative location as the school is no longer in use. Members of the Council discussed alternative locations within Abernant to fix the cabinet – either by the notice board or at the YFC garden. Further discussion at next meeting

Councillor C.Bish secured a new door for the defibrillator at Haulwen which will be fixed in the coming weeks. The children's lifesaving pads are out of date. Clerk to make enquiries for the cost of new ones.

Cllr Jean Lewis to contact Trading Standards regarding Cariad. Community Council are extremely disappointed with their level of service and for failing to respond accordingly to our emails

(c) It was agreed for I.Williams to receive the One Voice Wales correspondence

(d) The kiosk at Abernant has been removed by BT due to lack of usage. The kiosk at Talog is securely in its place. Cllr J Lewis to instruct BT to keep the kiosk at Talog as it provides an essential service to the members within the community

(e) Clerk to remind Highways of the outstanding issue on the road from Penrheol and Lleine – verges requiring some filling. During long periods of rain there is standing water where the road dips. The road from Capel Cendy to Cwm Country Club requires filling on both sides of the road

(f) Cllr Lewis to enquire with Dyfed Powys Police if they could monitor the speed through Talog and Abernant

**5. Items of Correspondence**

A number of e-mail correspondence were brought to the attention of the Councillors

**6. To be discussed**

(a) Potholes remain an issue in the community. Clerk to report to Highways

(b) The roadside drains near Bethania and Awelem need to be cleaned

(c) The tree near Brynbach is leaning outwards onto the Highway

(d) The clothing recycling bin has been full for several weeks. Cllr Williams have requested the Council to empty the bin. Cllr Lewis will follow up with the Council

(e) There is a large pothole on the Lon y Felin council estate entrance

(f) The road surface on the junction by the yard of H.D.Griffiths has significant amount of chippings. Clerk to liaise with Highways

(g) The ditch on the side of the road to Penrallt needs to be cleaned

(h) The signs at Afallon and Pwllodyfarch needs to be replaced

(i) Cllr Williams advised the council of a new scheme named 'The Digital Pilot Scheme' which will supply a laptop and 2 tablets. Cllr Williams will liaise with Jamie Hornton in CAVS regarding the application process

(j) Cllr Williams advised that the new community website should read 'Community of Abernant not Abernant, Talog. Cllr Bish to inform the editor of the website

(k) It was agreed to proceed with the Insurance cover with BHIB

(l) The accounts are currently with the Auditor for internal auditing. Members agreed for the clerk to forward a letter to Charles and Co with the instruction that the accounts have to be completed and signed off by the AGM in June

(m) Councillor I. Williams mentioned an initiative that the Community Council undertook some years ago as part of Keep Talog Tidy Scheme. The community council back then arranged a bring and take day where members within the community could bring their unwanted items and for others to take them away. Members discussed the idea of hiring a skip which would give people in the community an opportunity to get rid of items. Members agreed to discuss further at the next meeting

(m) Clerk advised members of the requirements to change the signatories on the Thomas Howell Charity. It was agreed to add this on to the agenda for the AGM.

(n) Clerk will finalise the main page for the Community Council website

## **7. Payments**

HM Revenue and Customs - £62.60

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BHIB Councils Insurance - £145.44

Meeting ended 9.15pm. Date of next meeting - 1<sup>st</sup> of July, 2021, 7.30pm at Talog Village Hall

