

Cyngor Cymuned Trefriw Community Council

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Minutes of the Additional Meeting of the Council held on 3rd August 2021 at 7.00pm online via Skype as permitted by The Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021

Present: Cllr Kim Ellis (Chair), Cllr Jasmine Kelly (Vice-Chair), Cllr Idris Bowen, Cllr Gill Scheltinga,
 Cllr Gareth Siddorn, Cllr Stephen White and Cllr Lucy Williams
 In attendance: Vikki Teasdale (Clerk/RFO) and C. Cllr Tomos Jones

	<u>Agenda Item/Discussion</u>	<u>Action/Resolution/Update</u>
80.	To confirm that a Quorum of elected members is present/Cadarnhau bod yr aelodau etholedig sy'n bresennol yn ffurfio cworwm	RESOLUTION A quorum was confirmed by the Chair
81.	Apologies/Ymddiheuriaday LG Act 1972 Sch 12 par 20 To accept apologies and consider approving reasons for absence/Derbyn ymddiheuriadau ac ystyried cymeradwyo rhesymau dros absenoldeb	RESOLUTION Apologies were received from Cllr Rebecca Lloyd
82.	Declarations of Interest/Datgan Buddiannau LG Act 2000 s50 Local Authorities (Wales) Order 2008/788 To disclose personal and financial interest in items of business listed below/Datgan diddordeb personol ac ariannol yn y materion wedi eu rhestru isod	No interests were declared
83. 83.1	Highways Act 1980 - Section 154 & 294 Notices The Clerk provided members with an overview to accord with the updates that had been circulated at key stages following the receipt of the two notices. This confirmed that the original 14-day deadline to arrange and deliver the tree felling works had been extended until 10 th August 2021. A site meeting had taken place with Jay Butters in order to identify the trees the subject of the two orders. Invitations to quote for the works had been sent out to three tree surgeons, two quotes had been received and circulated to members with the third contractor stating that they were unable to complete the works in the timeframe required. A reply had been received from CCBC in response to the letter sent by Council regarding the lack of any communication ahead of the statutory notices being served and the requirement to arrange and undertake works within an unrealistic timeframe. The Chair invited members to discuss the notices received and the required works with all councillors agreeing that the main issue related to establishing ownership of the verge and land that runs between the public highway known as Gower Road and the footpath/track, known as Trefriw Trail 1, to ensure that Council are in ownership and are liable to undertake	

<p>83.2</p> <p>83.3</p>	<p>the works especially as members were aware that CCBC had been maintaining the verges which would indicate a level of ownership and responsibility. It was proposed and unanimously agreed that Council would respond to the Gower Road notice to request evidence from CCBC as to specific ownership before moving to commission any works.</p> <p>In relation to the second notice, Council would continue to progress the required works to those trees as identified in and around the Playpark although it would not be possible to adhere to the statutory deadline of 10th August 2021. It had been noted in the response from CCBC that there appeared to be flexibility on timescales to complete the works given the reasonings previously put forward by Council.</p> <p>Council confirmed receipt of the two quotes as circulated but as works would now only be commissioned in respect of the trees in and around the playpark amended quotes would be required. Council also highlighted that the third contractor should be contacted again and invited to quote for the works given the offer of flexibility on timings by CCBC.</p> <p>The Chair appraised members that £2,000 was currently allocated in the budget towards the ash dieback works but this was not going to be sufficient and monies would need to be moved either from other allocations or from general reserves. As Council were, at this stage, only to commission works to the trees within the second notice this would not only reduce the contractors fee but also the traffic management requirements and/or road closure. Council agreed that the works the subject of the second notice had to be completed and that the additional costs would be taken from reserves. Authorisation was given to the Clerk, Chair and Vice-Chair to collectively commission the contractor based on the revised quotes that would be received taking account not only of cost but also the ability to complete the works in the timeframe put to CCBC. Such authorisation would still adhere to Council's financial regulations in relation to urgent payments under £5,000.</p>	<p>RESOLUTION Council resolved to formally respond to the Gower Road notice to request evidence to establish legal ownership ACTION Clerk to write to CCBC to request evidence of ownership</p> <p>ACTION Clerk to liaise with all three contractors to request revised quotes based only on those trees in and around the playpark</p> <p>RESOLUTION Council resolved to move monies from general reserves to meet the shortfall between the budgeted amount and the actual costs of the work</p> <p>RESOLUTION Council resolved to authorise the Clerk, Chair and Vice-Chair to collectively commission the contractor once revised quotes were received</p>
<p>84.</p>	<p>Next Meeting of the Community Council</p>	<p>RESOLUTION Council resolved that the next scheduled meeting of Trefriw Community Council would be held at 7pm on Tuesday, 14th September 2021 remotely via Skype</p>