

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE MOCHDRE COMMUNITY COUNCIL, AT YSGOL BABANOD AT 6.00PM ON MONDAY 3rd March 2025

1. Members in attendance:

Cllrs: Stephen Price, K Munro, S Owen, G Shimmins, W Munro, P Baxter, Simon Holland, A Roberts, J Paton

- 2. Welcome and Apologies for Absence: The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. There were no apologies
- 3. Declaration of Interests: None
- **4. Minutes:** Resolved to receive and approve the minutes of the last meeting of the committee, held on the Monday 3rd February proposer Sylvia seconded Simon
- 5. Matters Arising from the Minutes: A plaque is to place on the bench to recognise the many years of service to the community by Meet on the Corner

Copy of updated minutes to be sent to Keith.

Litter pick over 14 people attended with one concern raised that Beechmere rise be included in any future rounds.

Interview panel for the role of Clerk to be Sylvia, Jim, Stephen and Martin as the independent member of the panel.

- 6. Co-Option: Chris Williams has sent a letter requesting co-option on the council Proposer: Sylvia Seconded: Keith Resolved to co-opt Chris Williams onto Mochdre Community Council
- 7. Community Asset Transfer: Martin Harrison gave a presentation on the feasibility for a C.A.T in relation to Ysgol Babanod which is due to close on April 28th 2025. The school could potential become a community centre. Youth Shedz are a UK recognised organisation and along with Pig Town Theatre the school could become a valuable asset to the community. The Chair is seeking a proposer to move forward with the C.A.T under delegation to discuss further with interested parties on the feasibility of the asset transfer.

Proposer Phil Seconded Andy Resolved to have further discussions with interested parties.

8. Planning: No planning applications submitted

9. Finance report: Finance report sent out by Cllr Keith another V.A.T return is due of around £600, the committee is also pleased to announce that Welsh Water have contributed £1000 for the contribution made by the council during the Water Crisis. In preparation for the audit report bank reconciliation was carried out and dip samples taken.

A review of the budget for 2025/2026 satisfied that the budget covers everything also recommended that an increase of 10% in the budget for ring fenced items be made.

Internal auditor has now been sourced with Gwynedd County Council agreeing to perform the internal audit.

MCC website has been updated and the council would like to thank both Keith and Wendy for the contribution and hard work in ensuring the website is fit for purpose for the future.

The current bank account for MCC has £20.248 which is a good position going forward.

Allowance for defibs of £500 to be added to the ring fenced amount.

- **10. Correspondence**: Gill Murgatroyd a lay member of the standards committee has requested a visit to MCC a suggested date being June 9th meeting
- **11. County Councillors Report**: Cllr Price was invited to a site visit of the water plant in Dolgarrog which was the source of the Water Crisis Cllr Price would like to thank Welsh water for a very informative site visit which gave a great insight into the vast amounts of water processed on the a daily basis for the Conwy area.
- **12. A.O.B:** Cllr Jim raised concerns of vans and Lorries parking on the grass banks on Blackmarsh road and a Conwy maintenance van parked on the pavement outside the tyre centre.

Jim also raised the issue of the lack of traffic wardens on Saturdays

Singleton Crescent was also discussed with white vans parked on the road blocking access to resident drives. A white line will be needed to deter any future blocking of drives.

13. Date of Next Meeting: 12/05/2025

Meeting closed at approx. 7.30pm.

..... Chairman