**Cyngor Cymuned Blaenrheidol Community Council**

**Minutes – 30 July 2024**

**Present:** Dafydd Jones, Huw Morris, John Wall, Aled Thomas, Amanda Roberts (Clerk)

In Mick Bruce’s absence Aled Thomas chaired the meeting

**1 Apologies –** Mick Bruce (Chair) and Rhodri Davies (County Councillor)

**2 Minutes from last Meeting (11/6/24):**

**Accuracy** – Approved by John Wall and seconded by Huw Morris

**Matters Arising –** see Actions Table below

**3 Correspondence:** See Actions Table below

**4 Planning** – None received since the last meeting

**5 Finance**

* + **Bank Balance** – the Clerk reported that the CC had a balance of **£5,308.73** as at 13/6/24 (date of last bank statement); this reflects receipt of the first precept payment in April but a number of cheques have not been cashed (sum of £2,534.96), so estimated balance is **£2,773.77**.
  + **Draft 2024/25 Estimated Budget** – a copy of the budget was circulated to the Councillors which shows an estimated balance of **£3,474.21** at year-end. However, this does NOT include any income / expenditure re Ystumtuen’s defibrillator as it is hoped that this will be funded by a grant or donation; also, the sum does not include payment for work required to the equipment in the playground as no quotes have been received as yet.
  + **Invoices due for Payment**:

1. S O Evans (grass cutting) - £80.00
2. AberGlaziers (Maesyrawel bus shelter) - £936.00 (incl VAT)
3. Playsafe (Maesyrawel play ground inspection) - £132.00 (incl VAT)

Agreed to pay all.

* + **Charity Letters**:

It was noted that due to the number of letters received every year, and the sum of the precept, only charities which are specific to the community are supported.

No applications received since the last meeting.

**6 Any Other Business** - See Actions Table below

Date of next meeting: End of September

Meeting Closed: 8pm

**Forwarded Correspondence:**

* Ceredigion Cost of Living Bulletin (24/6/24)
* Ceredigion Area Committee – OVW 27.6.24 (24/6/24)
* New consultation: Draft priorities for Culture 2024-2030 (1/7/24)
* Ceredigion Cost of Living Bulletin (29/7/24)
* Safety of Lithium ion Batteries and e-bikes and scooters (29/7/24)
* Research: Theory v Practice of being a Local Councillor (29/7/24)

Please see Actions Table listed at year-end