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**Minutes of a Council meeting 20th July 2023**

**Present**

**Chairman:** John Williams (JDW)

**Councillors:** Les Doggett (LD), Hank Jackson (RDHJ), Paul Silk (EPS), Martin Pearse (MJP), William Forster (WADF), David Meyer (DM), Selena Clay (SC) and John Jones (JJ)

**In Attendance**: Sue Dale (Clerk).

# Apologies: CCllr Sian Cox

# Declarations of Interest: None

# A reply has been received to Council’s 8/2/2023 objection to the introduction of a 40mph speed restriction at Cwmdu and also a 30mph speed restriction at Tretower. Welsh Government have stated that if council continues to object it will have a detrimental effect on the introduction of a 20mph limit at Tretower. To be discussed and action agreed.

A letter to be sent to Welsh Government:   
‘Council approve, with reluctance, the withdrawal of their objection to Order 202- in the best interests of Tretower residents.

Councillors are concerned that the withdrawal of the council’s objection will not benefit Cwmdu residents who are most concerned at the failure to reduce the speed limit through Cwmdu. However, they felt that your letter was in the nature of an ultimatum and left them no alternative but to withdraw.

Council anticipates officials from Welsh Government will be in urgent contact to discuss the matter further (correspondence from Lee Waters AM/MS to James Evans AM/MS 13th June 23) and to respect your promise to review Cwmdu’s position after the new guidelines are published.’

# Notification of casual vacancy in preparation for advertising Community Councillor’s role.

To be advertised on the website.

# To authorise the employment of Kay Bailey as Responsible Financial Officer and Assistant Clerk for 16 hours per month at £14.21/hour. From the 1/8/2023. To decrease the Proper Officer’s hours and duties to 24 hours per month. To approve a contract of employment and job description for the RFO and Assistant Clerk role.

Approved.

# To consider the draft Health and Safety Policy.

Approved. To be placed on the website.

# Planning Applications: 23/22082/FUL Lower Mill, Cwmdu. Replacement timber windows double/triple glazed.

There is a disparity between the windows of submitted drawings, NW Proposed elevation and 1st floor proposed plan. Clerk to inform the Planning Officer.

23/22149/FUL Coed-Y-Bryn, Bwlch. Replacement Sewage system.

Meets the standard, no objections.

# Any Other Business (for information only)

Monument - licensed and experienced stone mason to clean up to head height. He will “soft wash” the monument for expenses (about £150). Cleaning above head height will require scaffolding and the road to be closed off.

Playing Field Tree inspection - A Councillor will try a different expert who may be able to help.

One Voice Wales Officer Rachel Carter, has visited assets in Cwmdu with a Councillor, she will send her report in a couple of weeks.

There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.52pm.

Thursday 3rd August 2023 is the date of the next meeting at Bwlch Village Hall.