

Peterston-super-Ely Community Council
Cyngor Cymuned a Llanbedr-y-Fro

**Minutes of the MUGA Sub Committee Meeting held at 4:00pm on Thursday 5th August, 2021
remotely on Zoom**

Present: Cllr D Field, Cllr J Drysdale & Cllr Moody-Jones

Also Present: Tor Trundle (Clerk to the Council)

1. Apologies

There were no apologies.

2. Election of Chairperson for the Finance Committee

Cllr Field nominated Cllr Moody-Jones and Cllr Drysdale seconded.

Action: *Cllr Moody-Jones to be elected as Chair for the Finance Sub-Committee*

3. Agreement on frequency of committee meetings

Following a short discussion, the Sub-Committee agreed there would be a minimum of two meetings every financial year. The meetings would be held in October with a view to reviewing the budget half way through the financial year and December to determine the budget for the following financial year and discuss an appropriate precept. It was also agreed that meetings would be held more regularly if there was a requirement.

In light of the current need to review the ongoing cutting contracts that the Community Council held with contractors, it was decided a further meeting would be held to review the Request for Quotations once received.

4. Consideration of current Council contracts and process to follow in respect of request for quotation.

The Sub-Committee felt that the first requirement would be to review the areas which were currently being cut around the village and to allow the appropriate Sub-Committees to meet and discuss the future requirements. There was a general agreement that some areas lent well to become more bio-diverse and to stop cutting.

Cllr Drysdale suggested that the Clerk approach the Vale Council and ask for a large-scale village plan that could be used to highlight the areas that needed reviewing. Some discussion was held over the possible wilding of areas of the playing field, which would reduce elements of mowing and introduce paths through these areas for users.

Cllr Field confirmed that the rangers in Dyffryn Garden had adopted some new practices and it may be worth learning from their wilding strategies.

It was suggested that both a Churchyard Sub-Committee and a Playing field Sub-Committee be arranged to discuss both areas prior to the Finance Sub-Committee requesting quotations. A churchyard plan would be forwarded to Cllr Moody-Jones for his consideration prior to the meeting of the Churchyard committee.

Cllr Drysdale also felt it would be good practice to ask for assistance from knowledgeable members of Peterston Connect to determine what could be achieved in certain areas. It was discussed that residents could be consulted via social media to ask for their thoughts over

the coming months. Once the areas that needed cutting had been identified, it was agreed that a request for quotation be sent out for two lots: one in relation to the churchyard and playground and one in relation to the village and playing field. If companies wished to submit quotations for both lots, then this would be acceptable but also the Committee would be happy with two contractors offering independent services if this was an option.

It was hoped that all Sub-Committee would meet in the coming month and that a report would be presented at the October Full Council meeting. The Sub-Committee were hopeful that the tender process would be completed in time for the new financial year 2022- 2023.

Action: Clerk to organise Churchyard and Playing Field Sub-Committees, in order for Sub-Committees to agree cutting strategies. Clerk to request large-scale map from the Vale Council. Clerk to forward Churchyard plan to Cllr Moody-Jones.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 5:15 pm

Chair _____
Date _____