

Minutes of the Council meeting held at the Coracle Hall, Llechryd at 7pm on the 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2024 in accordance with The Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021. Virtual access was also provided.

## Present:

Cllr Jan Culley(Chairman), Iwan Davies, , Ken Symmons, Garethe El Tawab, Hywel Davies.

Clerk

Members of the public: 0

## 1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were accepted from Cllr Colin Lewis

2. Declarations of interest on Matters arising from the Agenda.

There were no declarations of interest

3. Confirmation of Order of the Agenda and identification of any items that might be resolved in confidential session.

The agenda was accepted as presented.

## 4. Consideration of the Bid by Parti Yn Y Parc for the OAP Christmas Meal

The Chair opened the meeting by way of an explanation as to why a Finance meeting had been convened at short notice. Given the limited time that Parti Yn Y Parc has to organize the event and the fact that the Grant process is not tight as far as timetables for bids are concerned it was decided to hold a special meeting.

Following discussion, the Clerk was charged with amending the application process for future grant application bids in liaison with the Chair as follows.

- A clear timescale is to be set out. Grant bids need to be submitted 3 months
  before the grant is required so that the Council can ask questions of the organization requesting the grant.
- Organizations would be offered help with bids if needed.

- Organizations need to submit accounts and not bank statements to support the grant application process.
- The Council would request receipted evidence of expenditure as a condition of offering grant.

It was thought that these measures would strengthen the governance arrangements at the Council.

The following documents relating to the Parti Yn Y Parc bid were presented to the Council for consideration.

- Original bid
- Information requested by Council on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2024
- Parti Yn Y Parc's response to the questions.

Following consideration of the bid the following proposal was put forward by the Chairman.

Proposed that Parti Yn Y Parc be offered a grant of £1,200 towards the costs of the OAP Christmas Party	Seconded	
Cllr J. Culley	Cllr G. El Tawab	Carried

One Councillor abstained from voting.

The Council acknowledged the good work done by Parti Yn Y Pard in organising the Christmas dinner and other events in the Community, and that Councillors indicated that they would attend and assist with running the Christmas dinner.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 7:36 pm.