



**CYNGOR CYMUNED YR YSTOG
CHURCHSTOKE COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

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Clerc i'r Cyngor | Clerk to the Council

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**MINUTES of COUNCIL SPECIAL ORDINARY BUSINESS MEETING
on Thursday 23rd May 2024 at 7.30pm
remotely on Zoom-Pro platform.**

1.0 Welcome, Attendance, Apologies for Absence and Remote Meeting

Etiquette: to record attendance, to receive and resolve if desired on apologies for absence, and to remind attendees to show civility and respect to all throughout the meeting in line with the obligations of the Code of Conduct.

Attendance online or telephone: Cllr M J Jones (Chair), Cllr R K McLintock, Cllr B L Smith, Cllr C P Smith.

The Chair welcomed Councillors and Clerk to the meeting and reminded attendees to show civility and respect to all throughout the meeting.

Apologies for absence approved by Council: None.

Apologies for absence received: Cllr J N Wakelam.

Other Members Absent: Cllr J Jones, Cllr D Bebb, Cllr A Richards Cllr M A Whittall, Cllr D N Yapp.

In attendance: E J Humphreys (Clerk to the Council).

2.0 Declarations of Members' Interests and Dispensations: to receive declarations of interest from Members in accordance with Part III of the Local Government Act 2000, which established the Local Government Code of Conduct for Members, and to note Members' dispensations. Members are asked to submit any declaration forms to the Clerk (papers 2a-b previously circulated).

Members declared personal/ prejudicial interests at the start/ during the meeting as follows:

Agenda Number	Item	Councillor	Nature of Declaration
None			

3.0 Public Participation: to receive members of the public who wish to address the council in respect of any item of business included in the agenda. Any member of the public wishing to speak must notify the Clerk by email to clerk@churchstoke.org or telephone 01686-668790 or in person, no later than 15 minutes prior to the start of the meeting. Members of the public addressing the council are asked to respect matters of confidentiality and privacy.
None.

4.0 Minutes of Previous Meetings

- 4.1 To approve & sign the minutes as a correct record of the Ordinary Business Meeting 25th April 2024 (paper 4.1 previously circulated).
The minutes of the Ordinary Business Meeting 25th April 2024 were reviewed.

RESOLVED

The minutes of the Ordinary Business Meeting 25th April 2024 are approved and signed as a correct record.

- 4.2 To report, for information purposes only, matters arising from the minutes of the Ordinary Business Meeting 25th April 2024.
- 4.2.1 (9.1) Playground: Entrance
The Clerk informed Council this remains to be specified.
- 4.2.2 (9.2) Playground: Waste
The Clerk informed Council that a proposed solution has been found and will be brought to the council on 30th May. Cllr C P Smith reported she had received a complaint about temporary removal of bins.
- 4.2.3 (10.1) Trees Survey
The Clerk informed Council that invitation to tender is open until 14th June 2024.

5.0 Chairman's Announcements & Date of Next Meeting

- 5.1 Chair's announcements: to receive for information announcements from Chair and Members.
None.
- 5.2 Date of next meeting: Annual and Ordinary Business Meeting 30th May at Churchstoke Community Hall and remote online.

6.0 Confidential Session

- 6.1 Resolution to Exclude the Public and Press: Under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (2) to resolve that members of the public and press be requested to leave the meeting by reason of the [specified] confidential nature of the business about to be transacted.

RESOLVED

Under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (2) CCC resolves that members of the public and press be requested to leave the meeting by reason of the [specified] confidential nature of the business about to be transacted.

- 6.2 Grounds Maintenance & Grass Cutting [confidential reason: commercial tenders]: in view of unexpected developments to reconsider and resolve the tenders for Grounds Maintenance & Grass Cutting 2024-25 and 2025-26 (paper 6.2a and confidential papers 6.2b-c previously circulated).
The Clerk reminded Members of the specification and the grounds maintenance specification. The Clerk reported the selected contractor has submitted a new price for consideration. The Clerk advised Council to take this

as a new tender and that both remaining tenders should be considered.
Council considered best value of the remaining tenders against the specification and the budget available.

RESOLVED

CCC accepts the tender of D.T. Ground Maintenance subject to contract, to the value of £8,675pa for two years and funds the budget shortfall from reserves.

Action – Clerk to process

Meeting ended – 7.48pm.