

Cynghrair SEIRIOL Alliance
Cofnodion 26/01/21 Minutes
Zoom Meeting



Present:

Dr Steve MacVicar Chair (SM)
Jan Owens- Treasurer (JO)
John Griffiths (Cwm Cadnant) (JG)
Di Bell (Seiriol Good Turn Scheme) (DB)
John Stockton-Wood (J SW)
Sheena Renner (Seiriol Dementia Group) (SR)
Alun Foulkes (Cwm Cadnant Community Council) (AF)
Idris Alan Jones Cwm Cadnant Community Council (IAJ)
Delyth Jones (Llangoed Community Council) (DJ)
Cllr Carwyn Jones (CJ)
Cllr Alun Roberts (Cllr AR)
John Briggs (Llangoed) (JB)
Alwyn Rowlands Canolfan Beaumaris (AR)
Lyndsey Williams Medrwn Môn (LW)
Ceri Seeley Medrwn Môn (CS)
Rhian Jones (Beaumaris Town Council)
Howard Mattocks (Beaumaris Town Council)

Apologies:

Rhian Hughes (Llanddona Community Council) (RH)
Brian Jones (Anglesey County Council)
Delyth Phillips (Cwlwm Seiriol)
Rebecca Pritchard (Cwlwm Seiriol)
Canon Robert Townsend

SM welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologised that we hadn't met in nearly a year due to the pandemic.

SM introduced and welcomed new members to the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting accepted with one change. AR is attending the meetings as a representative of Canolfan Beaumaris and not Beaumaris Town Council.

Actions from the last meeting and matters arising not on agenda :

- **Community Defibrillators-** AR stated that Laird's had donated a defibrillator for Llanfaes Community Centre and it is in the Canolfan ready to be fitted.
AF stated that Llandegfan now have two- there is one in Llansadwrn and there will be another in Llandegfan in the next 6-12 months
DJ stated that there is one in Glanrafon.
SM concerned that there isn't one on Llanddona beach.
- **ACTION:** It may be possible for the Alliance to part-fund a defibrillator for Llanddona beach. SM to discuss with Llanddona Community Council

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Seiriol; Alliance Update- see attached report

- SM went through the report attached with the minutes.
- The Alliance is now a registered charity but is looking for a secretary- **ACTION: If anyone knows of anyone who is interested please send their details to SM**
- **Seiriol Alliance Funding-** Details of donations made to both the Alliance and the Good Turn Scheme are in the Report. There is some money in both accounts (Approx £4000 in the Alliance account and approx. £8000 in the Good Turn Scheme account). A proportion of the £4,000 in the Seiriol Alliance account may be made available for local groups to apply (Guidance and application forms attached to the minutes)

SM asked if anyone had any amendments to the application form, or suggestions about grant limits. Meetings could be held on a quarterly basis to look at applications. SM reminded the group that the funds are limited as it is only a small pot of money.

CEJ- thought that it was a great idea and asked whether groups would have to show they had any match funding from another source in the application.

JG asked if this covered any funding for environmental projects i.e. footpaths etc- groups decided that this was something that should be funded from elsewhere (Community Councils)

JB asked about potential funding for the Puffin. SM advised that potential applicants should have a look at the guidance and if the project fits then make an application.

CEJ thought that a maximum of £500 and 70% match was fair. Not every application will be the same, but we should make sure that they will be sustainable and benefit the health and wellbeing of residents in the ward.

CLlr AR agreed with the amount and % - could potentially revisit depending on the type of applications received and how much money is left in the pot.

RJ- agreed with the amount but % match should perhaps be discretionary on the merit of the application, maybe it should read that it is hoped that a % contribution can be made but consideration will be given to this when a n application is submitted.

ACTION- SM to reword the documents and send back out to the mailing list.

- **Seiriol Alliance Website-** SM is struggling to update the site and asked if anyone knows anyone willing to help. **ACTION- details of anyone wanting to help to be passed to SM.**

- **Digital Inclusion project-** project is a partnership between Medrwn Môn, Anglesey Council and Age Cymru Gwynedd & Môn, and will provide tablets with built in wifi to people who are referred to the project. Seiriol ward had 3 trained digital champions and 5 individuals taking part.

Tablets are initially provided for a 90 day period for people to get used to accessing activities and information online to help to reduce loneliness and isolation. Individuals will be paired up with one of the Champions to help them through the 90 days.

RJ- is there a cost to broadband? LW no cost, all built into the tablet so no need to have access to broadband in the house already.

SR asked what happens after the 90 days- LW initial idea was to provide them for 90 days for people to get used to them and see if they have the appetite or means to buy their own. We will evaluate after the first 90 days and it may mean that some people get to keep the devices longer. It's a pilot project so we will be assessing as we go along.

JB thinks it's a brilliant idea and suggested we may need to learn about how long it takes older people to learn how to use the equipment- this may be a challenge that needs consideration.

JG said he would be prepared to be a digital champion. **ACTION: SM to email**

2	<p>Seiriol Good Turn Scheme- documents also enclosed with the minutes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The GTS was very active in the first lockdown with over 2500 Good Turns completed since March 2020. • The Scheme had a fantastic response and over 100 volunteers signed up. • Currently getting more requests for transport- - the minibus is being used if more than one passenger and volunteers private cars if just a single passenger. • AF congratulated the Good Turn Scheme and its volunteers for their tremendous efforts, seconded by IA. • SM said that being able to help the community was very fulfilling. • DB said that lasting links in the community have come through the GTS and will carry on after the pandemic. • GTS has a new phone system with a local number- its cloud based and is free for charities (only charge is outgoing calls). The scheme is also exploring software that will enable them to work with Anglesey Council and Health and Social Care Services on Anglesey. • Will ultimately have to start charging for errands however these remain free during the pandemic. • Have applied for funding for an electric minibus with wheelchair access, discussed crowd-funding in the future if funding applications were unsuccessful. • CS congratulated the group on over 2,000 good turns.
3	<p>Community Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CWM CADNANT- IAJ stated that the Community Council had continued to meet during lockdown. AF had been looking at funding. Opened the Hall shortly after the initial lockdown and keep fit classes started. Plans to improve the toilet facilities in the Hall. Have worked with Cwlwm Seiriol on the footpaths and have made some improvements to the appearance in the centre of the village – noticeboards, seating etc. Had a remembrance service and put up their first Xmas tree in the Village. Cllr AR explained that Xmas parade had to be cancelled because of lockdown restrictions, was a shame after all the hard work the local residents had put in. • LLANGOED – AF is the new clerk of the Community Council and gave a quick overview- Delyth to send further update if needed to LW by email. There is now a defibrillator in Glanrafon. There was a Santa Claus activity on the 1st Saturday in December that went up round to Blaen Y Coed. There has been big investment in fencing around the Hall and they are looking to do some work on the footpaths. • BEAUMARIS – RJ explained that as a Council they have got used to doing things differently and had kept pretty well to their usual schedule of meetings. There is a new Town Clerk- Catrin Owen. Looking at work on the green due to the constant flooding. Ongoing improvements to the Jail and Courthouse,. obviously due to the pandemic they have not been able to open as much as they would like. 2 extra defibrillators- awaiting installation • CWLWM SEIRIOL- Report to be sent with the minutes.

4.	<p>Treasurer's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JO gave a quick update of the Alliance and GTS accounts • Will provide a full report for the next meeting • GTS account is currently at £8370.27 • Alliance account is currently at £4272.86 • Looking at purchasing card readers for the Good Turn Scheme so that customers can pay remotely
5.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BWYD DA MÔN- AR gave an overview of the project. Is based in Llangefni and collects short dated food to share out with those who are struggling financially, or to people who come in and provide a donation. One of the long-term aims is to get Coleg Menai involved to train young people to cook meals using the food. Partners currently involve BCU Health Board, Citizens Advice Bureau, Anglesey Council and Coleg Menai. Will eventually look at a membership of £5 week for £20 worth of food. Looking at creating posters and will send them through the Alliance minutes. SM stated that he had been approached by the Freemasons- they have 20 food parcels available to distribute in the ward. SM asked how we would find out who needed them. Discussion about advertising that these were available, cross-referencing with partners i.e LAC's, Anglesey Council, Foodbanks etc. it is important to remember that the person who is being referred has consented for their details to be shared. • Sheena Renner – the Dementia Friendly group think that the GTS is fantastic and would like to make a donation towards purchasing a minibus. ACTION- SM and SR to keep in touch about this. • LW-a system to organise volunteer transport to vaccinations has been set up between Medrwn Môn, Anglesey Council and the Anglesey GP Cluster. ACTION- LW to send information to SM. • SM- it's still early but is hoping to start looking at fundraising activities, is keen to look at the annual charity bike ride. If anyone has any ideas for activities once lockdown ends please let Steve know.
10.	<p>Date of Next Meeting- Zoom meeting - Tuesday 27th April at 17:30</p> <p>https://zoom.us/j/91213801878?pwd=OVJxUkFNbHpxTW1YR0ttbjJKYWNVdz09</p>