



## Cynghrair SEIRIOL Alliance

Cofnodion 30th May 2022 Minutes

### TRUSTEES Meeting at Canolfan Beaumaris

**Present:** Alun Foulkes, Alwyn Rowlands, Di Bell, Ifan Morgan, Robert Townsend and Steve MacVicar

**Apologies:** Jan Owens

1. **Minutes of previous meeting** (15/10/21) accepted as accurate recording.

#### **Completed Actions:**

**Action:** Steve to review accounts to check whether it has been received: **DONE**

**Action:** It was agreed that all community transport related expenses and income including running the two community vehicles would be solely under the Good Turn Scheme and all relevant financial transactions kept to the Good Turn Scheme account from April 1st 2022. Likewise, all transactions not relating to the Good Turn Scheme would take place in the Seiriol Alliance account from the same date: **ONGOING**

**Action:** To amend application form (for future applications) to ask organisations to include a copy of their most recent annual accounts with their application: **DONE**

**Action:** Steve to discuss defibrillator training and issues of concern with Tomos Hughes of WAST: **DONE**

**Action:** To distribute proceeds from Community Cycle Ride as listed: **DONE**

**Action:** Steve to contact Delyth to check on flooring/carpet quality and type to check hardwearing and appropriate: **DONE**

#### **Uncompleted Actions**

**Action:** To consider keeping a reserve supply of replacement defibrillator pads in the Canolfan: **NOT RESOLVED**

**Action:** To ask Rhian Hughes to design and obtain suitable logo/sign/sticker for publicity: **STILL TO BE DONE**

**Action:** Steve to calculate cost of running the minibus in pence per mile: **STILL TO BE DONE**

#### 2. **Chair's Report**

- **Defibrillator Training.** Generally attendance has been poor at training events held so far. Reasons for poor attendance discussed.

**Action:** To plan a series of training sessions in the Seiriol area in the autumn with a variety of timings including late Sunday afternoon to enable as large a number of people to attend as possible

**Action:** To advertise autumn training sessions with large format advert in The Puffin

**Action:** To consider multiformat publicity of future training including social media, emails, posters, road signage, banners, WhatsApp group etc

**Action:** Steve to let Di know dates of forthcoming Defibrillator training sessions

- **Local Organisations Contact Directory** completed and circulated to all members of Alliance
- **Improving Website**. Good suggestions regarding options.

**Action:** Steve to liaise with Terry Williams (Alliance Volunteer) who has offered to manage website for free.

An alternative is contacting Vision ICT as suggested by Alun. Vision ICT host the Community Council websites and have quoted £600 pounds for ours. Kevin Sivyer may also be able to assist through Rotary.

- **Community Cycle Ride** on Sunday 17th July. Steve asked Trustees if they are agreeable that this year's Cycle Ride event is held in memory of Dr. Andy Fowell. In addition, Steve asked the Trustees if they are happy for 50% of monies raised to be given to MNDA.

**Action:** Trustees unanimously happy with this arrangement for this year's event.

- **Good Turn Scheme**. Steve reported that Scheme is going well. Standard rates for transport to hospitals across North Wales now in place. We have received £1,800 grant from NHS Winter Plan to help support hospital discharges although no requests for transport have been received to date. Social Group sessions going well (Coffee Morning on Tuesdays in Beaumaris Library, Caffi Cofio on Wednesdays in Llanddona and Llanfairpwll, and Caffi Ni on Thursdays at various sites). The local RVS committee have handed over the running of such groups to the Scheme and donated their savings to the Scheme (£3,951.67)
- **Rhian Hughes**. Rhian is finding that her secondment role with Medrwn Môn is very helpful for her understanding of the needs of individuals in the Seiriol area. She has also been able to continue working 7 hours a week in her Intergenerational Development Officer role. Achievements recently include organising defibrillator training, community tile project in Llanddona, Community Vegetable Project in Beaumaris Allotments and Repair Cafe.
- **Volunteers Hub**. This has not been progressed because there doesn't seem to be much interest for it in the Seiriol area.
- **White Lion Square Event** Sunday 28th August. St. John's Ambulance have offered to undertake Defibrillator awareness training at the event.

### 3. **Treasurer's Report**

Seiriol Alliance Account Current Balance:	£23,780.81
Good Turn Scheme Current Balance:	£ 8,745.24

#### **4. Grant Application**

**One application** received from Church of St. Mary and Nicholas, Beaumaris. Canon Robert Townsend was asked to leave the room after he declared an interest. Application discussed by remaining trustees present.

Positives included that the application is

- from a local Seiriol organisation
- involves Seiriol Men's Shed
- Appears to be good value as it involves 8 public benches
- recycles old benches
- enhances an important public area

Reservations expressed were

- Could the church obtain funds from Church in Wales?
- Could the church obtain more funding from Beaumaris Town Council? Community Councils in the Seiriol area do contribute to the upkeep of their local church grounds.
- No recent accounts submitted with the application.

Following further clarification from Canon Robert Townsend it is clear that Beaumaris Town Council have already recently contributed a sum of money (£700) to the upkeep of the church's grounds and the unrestricted funds available to St. Mary and St. Nicholas Church only total £10,000 approximately and there are lots of other outgoings requiring payment from this relatively small amount.

**Action:** It was unanimously resolved to make a grant payment of £500 (in line with previous grants to other local organisations) subject to approval from Trustees after they receive a copy of the latest accounts from Canon Robert Townsend.

#### **4. Future Development of the Seiriol Alliance**

It was felt by all Trustees present that the expected reduction in future public finances, the end of the Cwlwm Seiriol project in 2 years time, environmental challenges and other local issues mean that the Seiriol Alliance in partnership with local organisations including community councils and Canolfan Hamdden Beaumaris is likely to have to play an important role in the future of the Seiriol area.

Documents included on agenda discussed. Apart from energy generation, the Seiriol Alliance is already supporting most of the activities currently undertaken by Partneriaeth Ogwen and our charitable object is broadly similar.

It was agreed that

- our CIO structure is suitable for future developments
- we should visit Partneriaeth Ogwen as being arranged by Delyth Phillips in July
- we should contact Menter Môn and Anglesey County Council to see what plans are in place (if any) for local energy projects
- we should explore grants including through the "levelling-up" agenda to ensure we obtain significant funding for the Seiriol area's future development

## 5. **AOB**

- **Concerns raised regarding difficulties being experienced by Llanddona Village Hall committee.**

**Action:** Steve to discuss with Pat Hughes (Chair of Llanddona Village Hall) to see if there is anything the Alliance can do to help. Robert and Alwyn willing to meet up with her too in order to discuss support.

- **Defibrillators awaiting final installation at Llangoed FC and in Penmon Village.**
- **Seiriol Volunteer Award / Community Champion Award.** Alwyn introduced the concept of the Alliance funding and instigating an annual award to individuals in each village / town community. Options discussed.

**Action:** It was agreed by all that it is a very good idea and that we should present the idea at the next Seiriol Alliance forum meeting.

- **Date of AGM** needs to be arranged. All Trustees present expressed their willingness to continue in the role.

## 6. **Date of next meeting** TBC