Special Presentation with Members of the Town Council, Mr. Sanjin Joshi, Managing Director and Mr. Raam Joshi, Director, Plasgeller Nursing Homes on Wednesday, 08 January 2020 at 6.00pm in the Council Chamber, Orchard Street, Brynmawr.

Present:- Councillors Mrs. O.M. Swales (Chair).

B.M. Sutton, M.I. Morgan, G.D. Jones, W.K. Hodgins, R.J. Hill, H.J. Swales

Mrs. A.C. Davies (Town Clerk/RFO). Nicola Williams (Asst. Town Clerk).

Allotment Association Officer Mr. David Lewis, Secretary

Apologies:- D.P. Foote, T.S. Hughes, J.M. Sutton.

The Chair welcomed Mr. Sanjin Joshi and Mr. Raam Joshi to the meeting.

Mr. S. Joshi started by explaining that they acquired Plasgeller Nursing Homes in 2008 and what was clear to them then was the commitment of the Staff and Services Plasgeller Care Homes provided for their residents.

In 2009 Mr. Joshi started a new programme refurbishing "Plasgeller Care Homes" at a cost of £3 million which included a new kitchen and laundry services on the corner of King Street/Bailey Street, Brynmawr.

Mr. Joshi informed members that they currently employ 170 staff and house 120 local residents. Plasgeller also attracts residents from further afield due to its unique services such as complex dementia care, nursing dementia care and palliative dementia care which is supported by ABUHB.

Mr. Joshi said he would like the Town Council to continue giving their blessings and support to their future on going projects at Plasgeller Care Homes over the next five to ten years and added if they do not achieve their goals the home will go backwards and they will lose the demand for its services.

Mr. Joshi said that due to a preservation order of a few trees on the property they have been declined to develop much needed outdoor and indoor space.

Members informed Mr. Joshi to reapply again as a tree preservation order can be lifted.

Mr. Joshi explained that the current planning application for a two storey extension is to build two lounges for the residents and there will be no impact on parking facilities. A member asked what impact would the development make on the right of way between Plasgeller Care Homes and the Brynmawr Allotment Gardens.

Mr. Joshi assured members that they have no need to use the access road and it will not be touched during any developments at Plasgeller Care Homes.

A member added perhaps in this situation the section 106 rules could be used which are legal agreements between Local Authorities and Developers (based on that section of the 1990 Town & Country Planning Act) these can be attached to a planning permission which makes something not possible, possible.

A Borough member agreed to ask if a site meeting could be arranged between the Planning Officers, BGCBC, The Chair of Planning, BTC along with management of Plasgeller Care Homes to see if this matter can be alleviated.

Meeting closed 18.50pm.