



**Minutes of the meeting of Llangoedmor Community Council held at the
Old Schoolrooms, Llangoedmor, on Monday 4th September 2017**

Present: Chairman Cllr B Rees, Cllrs Iwan Davies, Mrs Amanda Edwards, Ken Symmons, Mrs Kay Morgan, Hywel Davies, Mrs Nicky Redmund

Clerk

CC C Davies

Members of the Public: 0

1. Election of Chairperson

Cllr B Rees had tendered his resignation as Chairman of the Community Council, effective from the election of a new Chairperson at the meeting of 4.09.17. He welcomed everyone to the meeting and hoped they had had a pleasant summer. He advised he was resigning as he did not feel, given family commitment that it was fair to continue in the post. As outgoing Chairman, he conducted the election of the new Chairperson after which he stood down from Office.

Cllr Mrs K Morgan proposed that Cllr I Davies be elected as Chairperson. Seconded Cllr Mrs N Redmond, carried unanimously.

Cllr I Davies signed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office and received the Chain of Office from the retiring Chairman.

2. Election of Vice-Chairperson

After discussion Cllr Mrs N Redmund proposed that the election of Vice-Chairperson be deferred to the October meeting. Seconded Cllr B Rees, carried unanimously.

3. Croeso ac Ymddiheuriadau /Welcome and Apologies

Apologies had been received from Cllr Mrs E Davies.

4. Gweddi Agoriadol / Opening Prayer

It had been brought to the Clerk's attention that the recommended procedure was now to have the prayer prior to the opening of the meeting so that Cllrs who do not feel comfortable with taking part might arrive after the prayer had been said. This was noted.

5. Datgelu Buddiannau Personol / Disclosure of Personal Interest

The Clerk asked that Cllrs note the provided flow chart which should assist Cllrs in deciding if a declaration of interest was required. She briefly explained that if a Cllr was in doubt if he/she had an interest to declare the County Council Monitoring Officer could assist.

6. Materion Personol / Personal Matters

None.

7. Ceisiadau Cynllunio / Planning Applications

A170648 Variation of condition 2 (alternative site plan to allow alternative access to Plot 2) of planning permission A110051 Land at Dol Dderwen, Llechryd.

The Community Council supported the application.

A170732 Outline, Erection of a dwelling, Plot opposite Sycharth Lon Helyg, Llechryd.

Whilst it was noted that that Llechryd had exceeded its' LDP housing quota on paper, in reality many of the permissions given had never been developed into liveable properties. The Community Council believed that this application, if given permission, would be developed to provide a family home for local residents which in turn would support the local community, including the school.

To discuss CCC only supplying planning applications as email.

The Clerk advised that she had, with the assistance of CC C Davies, requested that CC Planning Department supply planning documents as hard copy as per the agreement with the Community Council. Despite this, e-mail links only were being sent. It was agreed that as it was somewhat of a 'fait accompli' on the part of the County Council, Cllrs would endeavour to look at plans prior to the meeting using the e-mail link. The Clerk would print off basic information for each planning application.

Mr C Lewis re application A170500

Mr Lewis concerns that his objections had not been recorded on CCC website and also the lack of notification to CC with regard to this application were noted.

Planning aid wales, training event Sept 25th. The Clerk advised that she has already booked a place through St Dogmaels Community Council. It was agreed that as the event was relevant to Llangoedmor as well, the Community Council would cover half the Clerk's attendance costs.

8. County Councillor's Report

CC C Davies queried if the Community Council intended to claim the costs associated with the recent incident of sheep on the recreation field and play area.

He advised that Tai Ceredigion had now included all village verges it owned in its' cutting timetable for the coming year and that the request for more footways in Llechryd had been noted by CCC Highways Dept. He understood that the CC would provide a document to support the request, a draft of which had been compiled over the summer period. It was queried if a petition for the footway to Cardigan might help raise awareness of the need and it was agreed to look at this further.

He advised that the Community Speedwatch programme required a minimum number of volunteers, formal training from the Police and resulted in persistent speed offenders being contacted but not ticketed under the scheme. He suggested that residents concerned about speed in the village should contact 'Go-Safe'. The Clerk advised there was further information of the CC website.

He noted that problems with the fabric of the school had been brought to the attention of CCC and dealt with. He was thanked for his assistance with this.

Cllr Mrs N Redmond advised CC C Davies that a Senior Citizens Lunch was planned for 4th December and she hoped he would be able to attend.

9. Cofnodion y Cyfarfod Blaenorol / Minutes of Previous Meeting

Cllr H Davies proposed that the minutes be accepted as a true record. Seconded Cllr Mrs N Redmond, carried unanimously.

10. Materion yn Codi / Matters Arising

Cllr Mrs A Edwards confirmed that she had set up the village FB page and although no longer solely in charge she felt that CC news could be posted there.

11. Cyllid a Gweinyddu / Finance and Administration

Paid:

26.07.17	Maintenance and Engineering Services	Swing repair	381.60
	Mary Jones	Translation	120.00
	HMRC	Tax	3.20
	S E Houghton	Home office	25.00
30.07.17	S E Houghton	Salary	326.98
14.18.17	Glasdon UK Ltd	Seat, churchyard	564.69
	Mr E Brown	Grass cutting	492.00

SO: 327.18
Overpaid by 2 pence

Coracle Hall	Hall hire	32.00
Abacus Cleaning Services	Swing paint	314.00

To Pay

4.09.17	Abacus	Toilet block cleaning	170.00	
		Bus shelters	76.00	
		Pressure wash of playground	85.00	
			331.00	
	Mr E Brown	Grass cut	492.00	
	Arjay Factors	Bin bags	14.38	
	SSE	Electricity toilet block	29.85	
	Playsafe Ltd	RoSPA Playground inspection	92.40	
	RBL Poppy Appeal	Wreath	17.00	
	Dai Hughes Ltd	Bus Shelter repairs	497.69	
	HMRC	Tax	2.50	
	S E Houghton	Home office 25, postage 6.72	31.72	
30.09.17	S E Houghton	Salary	327.18	SO

Following discussion it was agreed to try to recoup the costs of cleaning the playground after stray sheep had been put in there.

ACTION: Follow up BY: Clerk

Payments proposed by Cllr B Rees, seconded Cllr Mrs A Edwards, carried unanimously.

Grass Cutting Contract

The Clerk advised that the contract should be advertised to ensure that the Council was complying with all requirements. Someone was still required to empty the bins over the winter period. It was queried if the bin behind the Hall actually belong to the Hall. As Hall Committee members Cllrs Mrs A Edwards and Mrs N Redmund thought not but would raise the matter with the Committee.

ACTION: Advertise on local boards and contact ABACUS BY: Clerk

Cleaning Contract

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ACTION: Advertise on local boards BY: Clerk

Insurance

The Council's term insurance scheme would come to an end in 2018. AON had advised they would no longer be providing local govt insurance. Quotes would need to be sought.

ACTION: Compile information etc BY: Clerk

Budget

The Clerk advised that the budget round would be starting at the October meeting for finalisation in December. She asked if anyone had any project ideas to let her know. It was suggested that a post of the village FB page, asking for ideas, might work.

ACTION: Follow up BY: Clerk

Data Protection Laws

The Clerk advised that Data Protection laws were to change in 2018 and that the Council must comply. She was unsure, as yet as to what exactly the Council would be required to do but understood that One Voice Wales was to supply further guidance.

Benches

One bench had been delivered to the Church and paid for. It required fixing down. The 'Remembrance' bench should be delivered prior to Remembrance Sunday. Cllr Mrs A Edwards said that Mr Leigh had contacted the Council with thanks for the Council's assistance in locating and installing a bench in remembrance of his wife.

Quote for refurb of plough at Millennium building

One quote had been received but it was felt that specialist work was required. One local company was proposed and the Clerk would look for others.

ACTION: Follow up BY: Clerk

Welsh Government Warm Homes Arbed Scheme – Llechryd

No formal response as to if funding would be available as yet but no local schemes or organisations had been highlighted. The Hall, the cricket club, Part and Church were suggested.

Quotes had been received for spraying off the track in the playing field. It was agreed to award the work to the Tofts.

ACTION: Follow up BY: Clerk

It was noted that the track was not a pleasant surface and that it should, perhaps, be tarmacked and the concrete area in the playground also needed attention. Following discussion it was agreed to list companies which might be asked to tender and to draw up a draft spec for the works.

ACTION: Follow up BY: Clerk

Further letter from HMRC

The Clerk advised that she had still not had chance to look at the work required in detail and felt it was beyond her ability and experience. Cllr Mrs A Edwards kindly agreed to look at the information and advise.

ACTION: Follow up BY: Cllr Mrs A Edwards

12. Priffyrdd a Hawliau Tramwy Cyhoeddus / Highways and Public Rights of Way

Footways and Active Travel

The CCC response re footway to Cardigan / Active Travel, that the 4km length would require substantial levels of funding in excess of CCC funding in rural areas was noted. Its possible inclusion for consideration in the Integrated Network Map for submission in Sept 2020 was welcomed.

To review the draft 'footways' document produced by Cllr Mrs E Davies and the Clerk.

The draft document was circulated and it was advised that Cllr Mrs E Davies and the Clerk intended to walk the route to add further detail. All Cllrs would be sent the date for the walk and were welcome to attend.

The list of areas of roadside vegetation needing attention by Highways had been supplied to CCC. In some cases the growth was forcing vehicles to the middle of already narrow roads and was a danger.

School

20mph limit/zone Llechryd School.

The school was to be asked to look at lobbying CCC with regard to a reduction in speed on the main A484. The previous communication from CCC was that the costs of providing a 'zone' were too great. It was queried if a pedestrian crossing could be provided.

Fencing

A suggestion had been received that a fence be erected between Glannant and the neighbouring estate. It was agreed to contact West Wales Housing.

ACTION: Follow up BY: Clerk

Planters

Tai Ceredigion had no objections to a raised timber bed being installed providing that that it is kept in good condition and the bedding plants did not obscure the Preseli View estate sign. The signs were currently being replaced and the CC would be advised when this work was complete although, during future estate landscaping improvements, Tai Ceredigion might require the planter and bench to be relocated elsewhere but every effort would be made by Tai Ceredigion to accommodate the equipment.

It was agreed to check to see if a concrete plinth was in place to affix a bench by the shelter as the Council had funds available for its purchase.

Bus Shelter

It was noted that the repair had been completed.

13. Mwynderau / Amenities

Toilet block: The Clerk had yet to receive information with regard to the siting of cameras in the car park area and would chase for information again.

Quote for light above defibrillator – to come.

Playing field work

The Clerk thanked all those who had helped with the sheep incident. Other works had been discussed under Finance and Administration.

Gate

It was agreed that a 'Please close the gate' sign should be put up.

Annual playground inspection

The main issue raised was fixing goal in place. Following discussion it was agreed that Cllr Mr A Edwards would seek advice and work with the Chair and Cllr H Davies in taking the matter forward.

ACTION: Follow up BY: Cllr Mrs A Edwards.

Shrub bed

Mr E Brown to clear and to be asked to cut hedges.

Bins

The Wheelie bin had been delivered and the keys and bags needed to be made available to Mr Brown. The Council would need to find someone to empty the bins in winter.

14. Ongoing Projects

Notice board refurbishment

One quote had been received for the refurbishment of the notice board in the car park. Cllr B Rees suggested that it would be better used as a flower display unit and a new board put on the wall of the toilet block. Following discussion it was agreed to look at using the existing board for a permanent information display as a possible alternative to a flower stand and to cost providing a 3 compartment notice board for the block wall. One lockable bay and two bays with free public access. The Clerk would try to find the original documents pertaining to the board in the car park.

ACTION: Follow up BY: Clerk

15. Digwyddiadau / Events

Remembrance Sunday

Cllr Mrs K Morgan had contacted the Vicar who was already taking a service on Remembrance Sunday. He had suggested that a short service be held on Saturday 11th with the silence observed at 11am and possibly dedication of the new remembrance themed seat. It was agreed to take this forward.

ACTION: Confirm with Vicar BY: Cllr Mrs K Morgan.

Christmas lights

Cllr B Rees was to speak with the school to get a date. Clerk to book Mathew Penny once the date was confirmed.

16. Adroddiad / Meeting reports

None.

17. Gohebiaeth / Correspondence / + e mail correspondence

Mr C Lewis re Llechryd Events site

It was agreed that the new website for events was an excellent idea and that the CC had no objection to a link through to its' site.

Correspondence to note:

Clystyru: cefnogaeth ariannu ar gael yn 2017-18/Clustering: funding support available in 2017-18

OVW Revised School Organisation Code - Cod Trefniadaeth Ysgolion Diwygiedig

Consultation - Electoral Reform / Ymgynghoriad - Diwygio Etholiadol

Bagiau Ailgylchu Newydd / New Recycling Bags

Summary of Responses - Consultation on proposals to ban the use of plastic microbeads in cosmetics and personal care products in the UK

Read our latest Annual Review 2016/17 Consumer Council for Water / Cyngor Defnyddwyr Dwr

Fire service newsletter Calon Tân Rhifyn 1 - Haf 2017 / Edition 1 - Summer 2017

OVW: Tree Charter Legacy Trees

OWW: Is-Gadeirydd - Bwrdd Iechyd Prifysgol Cwm Taf | Official : Vice Chair - Cwm Taf University Health Board

18. Cyfnewid Gwybodaeth / Exchange of information

Cllr B Rees was to resign as the CC appointed School Governor and a replacement would need to be put forward when CCC contacted the Community Council with regard to the vacancy.

It was noted that the Council should have a report in the Tivyside regularly. The Clerk apologised as she sometimes found it quite hard to find the appropriate information.

Cllr Mrs N Redmund advised that it was planned to organise a Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch on 4th December. It was generally agreed that once further information was available the Council would consider partnering the Parti Committee or alternatively offering some grant funding to the event.

Cllr Mrs K Morgan advised that the Harvest Festival would take place in the Church on 1st October at 6pm. All welcome.

19. Date of next meeting – 2.10.17 - 7.00pm

Should there be any confidential matters arising the Council will pass the following resolution and all members of the public and press will be requested to leave the meeting at this point: *Resolution: In view of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed, the public and press be excluded from the meeting in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, Section 1*

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 10.05pm.