



Minute of the meeting held at the Coracle Hall, Llechryd at 7pm on October 3rd, 2022 in accordance with The Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021.

Present:

Chairman Cllr Nicky Redmond. Cllrs: Jan Culley , Hywel Davies, Iwan Davies, Ruth Davies, Amanda Edwards, Gareth El Tawab, Colin Lewis, Ken Symmons, Richard Rose, Clive Wychwood

CC A Edwards
CC C James

Clerk

Members of the Public: 0

Open session for members of the public to raise any matters of relevance to the Community 15 minutes maximum. In the event there are no members of the public who wish to speak the meeting will start promptly after the Annual Meeting.

Cllr I Davies read a statement, in support of planning application A220637, from Cllr K Symmons.

The Chairman read a statement from Cllr G El Tawab expressing concerns about planning application A220637. Cllr R Davies replied to some of these concerns, particular reference to static caravans on site, stating that CCC Planning Enforcement officers had been to the site a number of times and raised no issues.

Cllr R Davies also advised that CCC Officers had undertaken a site visit with regard to fencing adjacent Coedmor verges. All barbed wire had now been removed but sections of fencing had subsequently been cut and vandalised.

1. Ymddiheuriadau am absenoldeb / Apologies for Absence

Apologies were accepted from Cllrs G El Tawab and K Symmons.

2. Datgan Diddordeb ar faterion sy'n codi o'r Agenda / Declarations of Interest on Matters Arising from the Agenda

Cllr R Davies declared an interest in agenda item 5 and left the room during discussion and voting.

Cllr I Davies declared a personal interest in item 7.1.

3. Confirmation of Order of the Agenda and identification of any items that might be resolved for confidential session

Given the length of the Agenda the Chairman identified items which might be deferred to the November meeting.

4. Confirmation of Minutes of 05-09-22

Resolved that the minutes be accepted as a true record.	Seconded	
Cllr A Edwards	Cllr C Lewis	Carried

5. Ceisiadau Cynllunio / Planning

Chairman's signature:

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Planning number	Location	Proposal	Agreed Response
A220637	Land adj Ty Fri, Llangoedmor, SA43 2LQ	Demolition of existing structure and erection of a general purpose agricultural building	Llangoedmor Community Council supported the application. It noted that the removal of the pre-existing derelict structure to allow a modern general purpose agricultural building would improve the site.

An application Lawful Development Certificate relating to Planning Applications A060609 (outline) and A100937 (reserved matters) was brought to the Council's notice.

RESOLVED /ACTION	
That response to this application be delegated to the Clerk following consultation with Cllrs.	Carried

Planning documents can be found at: <https://www.ceredigion.gov.uk/resident/planning-building-control-and-sustainable-drainage-body-sab/planning-building-control/>

Planning Enforcement
Nothing brought forward.

LDP2 update
Nothing brought forward.

6. County Cllr's Report

CC A Edwards advised that Natural Resources Wales was to clear the bridge having been put under local pressure to do so. She requested that all incidents of dog fouling be reported via CLIC as if no reports were received it was assumed that there were no local issues. It was hoped that a prosecution with regard to dog fouling, in a neighbouring community would highlight the issues and the possible penalties. She noted the frustration that the CLIC system did not record the progress of a request other than it had been assigned to the appropriate department. There were numerous issues with regard to the impact of rising costs on County services but she was an advocate for better services for mental health and young people. She noted the complaints about refused collections on the small roads and lanes not served by the refuse lorries. The 30mph to 20mph consultation should be coming out soon. Having met with CCC Officers she noted that they were still satisfied with their decisions with regard to fencing adjacent Coedmor lane.

7. Cyllid a Gweinyddu / Finance & Administration

7.1 Monthly Payments

03/10/2022	SSE Swalec	Electricity toilet block	78.51
	Telemat	Website hosting	30.00
	Earth Anchors	Invoice for outstanding on payment 14/09	45.00
	S Davies	Salary, HO, underpayment of 0.90 (taxed Sept), tax	434.75
	Mary Jones	Translation	480.00
	SLCC	Membership shared with SD	81.58
	Danfo	Cleaning inv 6663 Aug 31-08-22	319.50

To note that the Clerk was still awaiting an invoice and bank details to make payment for the second chain and lock purchased.

Proposed	Seconded	
Cllr A Edwards	Cllr H Davies	Carried

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7.1.2 Bank Reconciliation

Noted.

7.2 Future meetings

Nothing brought forward.

7.3 Year end accounts

Nothing received from Audit Wales by Sept 30th deadline. Appropriate notices to this effect will be posted.

7.4 Budget

RESOLVED /ACTION	
To note the first draft of the budget. Cllrs were requested to send any queries to the Clerk before the November meeting. Final approval of the budget to be no later than December meeting.	Carried

7.5 Land registration

Ongoing.

7.6 Annual report/Training programme/newsletter

It was advised that the Annual Report and Training programme texts were out for translation. Only one return had been received for the Cllr skills audit requested as part of the Training Programme. Therefore the Programme would be published on or before the statutory date of 5th November without a Council skills evaluation.

It was advised that a newsletter was being drafted by individuals, not the Council, and any help would be much appreciated.

It was queried if details of any first aid courses might be circulated.

7.7 Update on bequest of land and to agree any response

Nothing brought forward.

7.8 The Finance and Governance Toolkit for Town and Community Councils

Cllrs were asked to note the provided documents. At a meeting attended by the Clerk it had been advised that although it was not a statutory requirement for the Council to work through the toolkit it was the intention of Wales Audit to incorporate aspects of the toolkit into the external audit procedure. There was no detail as to what format this was to take.

RESOLVED /ACTION	
To defer agenda item for November. All Councillor were asked to look through the documentation provided. Part one could initially be completed by the Clerk.	Carried

7.9 Civility and Respect Project - Pledge

<https://www.nalc.gov.uk/our-work/civility-and-respect-project>

RESOLVED /ACTION	
To defer the agenda item for November. All Councillor were asked to look through the documentation provided.	Carried

7.10 CCTV

Cllrs had been provided with the official guidance for the installation and operation of CCTV. The Clerk advised that as the Council was the Trustee for the charity owned land the guidance would apply if any CCTV were to be installed there.

RESOLVED /ACTION	
To defer the agenda item for November.	Carried

7.11 Grounds maintenance contract

RESOLVED /ACTION	
To accept the proposed contract as presented and seek quotes. To seek quotes for the street planters based on using low maintenance herbs for community use.	Carried

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8. Hawliau Tramwy Cyhoeddu / Highways and Public Rights of Way

8.1 Action areas – Highways to include Croes-y-Llan

To note that the document highlighting highways concerns had been sent to Ceredigion County Council.

8.2 Footpaths / open spaces

It was noted that work to improve footpaths under the Paths for Wellbeing was progressing in stages.

8.3 Llechryd Bridge/River - To note current situation and agree any further actions

See item 6.

The recent meeting about the River Teifi, held in Llechryd had been well attended with representatives from, various statutory bodies present to answer questions.

8.4 Parking By and Around School

It was agreed to remove the item from future agendas unless issues were identified.

8.5 Active Travel – Cllr C Wychwood

RESOLVED /ACTION	
That West Wales Active Travel be noted and interest would be expressed in a presentation of the group's aims and objectives.	Carried

9. Mwynderau/Amenities

9.1 Toilet Block

To note that the solicitors had been requested to draw up a suitable lease between the Coracle Hall Committee and the Council. In the interim, the Council would continue to maintain the block. Any lease needs to be approved by the Charities Commission.

9.2 Play Area/Field – all decisions subject to approval by Llechryd Playing Field Association

9.2.1 Outstanding works including remedial works from ROSPA inspection 2022/3

9.2.2 Replacement of concrete area/repair to path and gates to play area

It was noted that the new playground gates had been delivered to Quartzcoat ready for installation. Those involved were thanked.

During the playground inspection some work had been done to make the broken hinge area on the existing gate safe.

It was noted that work was still to be undertaken on the football goal when safe to do so.

9.2.3 Condition of path

Work to temporarily address the issues with the path would be undertaken in due course.

9.2.4 Dog Fouling

See item 6.

9.2.5 Replacement climbing frame – will remain property of CC

The following were agreed in response to Sovereigns response to the RoSPA play inspection report:

On Page 19 The loose post was not acceptable in a new installation. There should be no requirement to monitor the loose post as it was unclear at what point Sovereign would consider it was no longer its responsibility. Require to address.

On Page 20, not part of the issues with installation.

Page 20 the comment that timber is a natural product, and some shaking (cracking)/splintering can occur after time, or sometimes immediately in warm weather was noted. However there were local instances where inappropriate timber had been used for play equipment. If the cracks extend to a 'finger trap issue' or the posts show signs of rot they will have to be replaced. To be raised again with Sovereign and their further comment and commitment to replacing said timbers if issues progress, obtained.

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On Page 21, the report references to the timbers, and the poor finish. The timbers can be sanded down as part of your weekly maintenance inspection. However, I will also make a note for the team that will attend site to address the surfacing not being level, to sand down any necessary timbers. Page 21 also refers to trip points on the surfacing, the recommended action for this it to make the ground level. I will open a case and arrange for someone to attend site and make this surface level.

A date has been requested for the works to be undertaken.

No reference to the concerns about the quality of the installed safety surface which needs to be raised again with them in the response.

RESOLVED /ACTION	
That the issues identified at the meeting be relayed to Sovereign.	Carried

9.6 Church of the Holy Cross, Llechryd

The Clerk advised that she had made no progress with the matter of the path as required by the Church in Wales.

RESOLVED /ACTION	
That the Clerk contact architects used by the Church in Wales for advice on a way forward.	Carried

9.7 Millennium building

Nothing brought forward.

9.8 Memorial bench or area for residents

A concrete base already existed in the proposed area and a 5ft bench would be required. It was queried what the policy would be once there was no more space on the bench for further plaques. The ground belonged to BARCUD and it would not be possible to provide further areas.

It was noted that the Church might, in the longer term, consider constructing a memorial garden.

RESOLVED /ACTION	
That the Clerk cost the bench and the initial plaque.	Carried

9.9 Allotment provision

Ongoing.

9.10 Bus shelters

The noticeboard would be ready for delivery as soon as payment completed.

9.11 Defibrillators

Coracle Hall – in service

RESOLVED /ACTION	
That the Council would consider supply of a sign for the defibrillator if a suitable site, visible from the road but out of the way of pedestrians and vehicles, could be agreed. Cllrs were asked to look at the site.	Carried

Llangoedmor

The electrician was to supply a quotation for installation.

9.12 Noticeboards

Nothing brought forward.

Replacement bins (post, cover, play area)

The post mounted bin had been delivered and would need installation. Danfo would be asked to add it to the list for emptying once installed. Dimensions and locking mechanism of damaged bin lid (behind Hall) to be advised.

RESOLVED /ACTION	
That Cllr R Rose investigate the installation of the post mounted bin and inform Clerk once completed. Clerk to inform Danfo of installation.	Carried

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10. Digwyddiadau / Events**10.1 Remembrance Day**

Wreath to be ordered.

10.2 Christmas lights

The school had confirmed the first Thursday, 1st December for the lights switch on.

RESOLVED /ACTION	
Clerk to contact electrician re lights. School to confirm number of sweet packets required.	Carried

10.3 Mari Lwyd

RESOLVED /ACTION	
Having considered the proposals put forward it was agreed to fund the use of a room at the Coracle Hall to gauge support. Cllr C Wychwood to liaise with the Clerk of over date and advertising for the meeting.	Carried

10.4 River Teifi clean up

The proposed clean up in the Cilgerran area was noted but it was agreed that such an operation required a great deal of organization. Cllr A Edwards would re-send the video of the river to the Clerk.

11. Adroddiad / Meeting reports

To receive any reports.

11.1 Cllr R Davies - School Governors

Nothing brought forward.

11.2 Cllr A Edwards – Coracle Hall

It was reported that the first coffee morning at the Hall had raised over £150.

11.3 Cllrs A Edwards and R Davies - PACT meeting

Nothing brought forward.

11.4 Resilience Group (to include updated information re flooding)

A meeting of the group had taken place and various actions were to be undertaken.

12. Correspondence / Gohebiaeth (to include consultation documents not covered under any other heading)

The publication of the Review of One Planet Developments was welcomed and noted.

13. Materion Personol / Personal Matters - Cllrs Exchange of Information / Cyfnewid Gwybodaeth

Nothing brought forward.

14. Date of Next Meeting – 7th November 2022

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 9.31pm

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