

CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANDYSILIO COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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**Minutes of a remote meeting (using the zoom platform) held on
Thursday 22nd October 2020 at 7.30 p.m.**

Present: - Chairman Cllr W J Lee, Councillors C M Jenner, Frances Buckingham, D C Harris, E A Jones, N H Savage, D M Foulkes and 2 members of the public

Apologies: 2020/321 Councillor D K Evans and S R Page

Minutes of the last meeting held on Thursday 24th September 2020 had been circulated and were confirmed. Clerk will arrange for Chairman to sign these. 2020/322

Matters arising from meeting of 24th September 2020

2020/323 (2020/241) Further to Mr Hugo Van-Rees joining the Community Council at the August meeting – Tenants have confirmed that they are in the Glastir Environmental Scheme and have offered to join the next meeting if required. It was agreed to only invite Mr Hugo Van-Rees as the Powys County Council representative to the next meeting.

2020/384 (2020/283) No samples of mesh to be used to replace the existing fence around the football pitch had been left with the Chairman. Clerk will ask for an update on what is happening.

2020/385 (2020/275) Planning Officer has visited site at Gwernybeiliad Re:importation of soil and liaised with NRW and have come to the conclusion that as the site is over 0.5 Hectares that planning permission is required and have written to the Owners/Tenants accordingly.

2020/386 (2020/276) Update re; Calcott Hall – Police Commissioner has responded to the request to join the meeting in November to say that he is checking with the I.T Team to see if this would be possible.

2020/387 (2020/277) Several reminders have been given to the owner to please remove the log in the ditch behind The Oaks, Domgay Road and assurances given that this will be done.

2020/388 (2020/280) No response had been received from Planning Dept with regard to request for Enforcement at Hydris Leigh in relation to the erection & relocation of a fence over 1m in height. Cllr C M Jenner declared an interest and left the meeting. It was agreed that Clerk would contact Peter Morris, Head of Planning, as this complaint is now 12 months old.

2020/389 (2020/289) Consultation received on Powys County Council updated their Licensing Policy. Thanks were given to Mr Nick Semper who had looked through the Document and apart from grammatical errors confirmed that the proposed changes would be improvements.

2020/390 (2020/293) Update re: School Transformation policy. Powys County Council have apologized to the Headmistress of Llandysilio School for their administrative error in not including her or the Chair of Governors to the briefing organized. Clerk had requested a Copy of the papers sent to Cabinet which show that a Budget has been drawn up but no site identified. Powys County Council are in the process of requesting 65% funding from the Welsh Government but there were concerns that more thorough costings were needed at this stage for a more accurate Budget. County Cllr Arwel confirmed that he had written to the Education Team to point out that whilst there was currently surplus places that residential development had already commenced and pupil numbers would increase, Formal Consultation will follow at a later date.

Casual Vacancy Co-option –2020/391 In view of the continuation of the Covid Pandemic and the need to hold ‘Remote’ Meetings Councillors were not happy to vote on the Vacancy – 2 nominations received of Mr Mike Lloyd and Mr Nick Semper and agreed to wait until face to face meetings can be held County Cllr Arwel would check with Powys County Council whether the number of seats could be increased to 11.

Sports & Recreation

2020/392 (2020/283) 3 Quotes have been obtained for the installation of CCTV – copies of which had been circulated to Councillors. Mr Nick Semper explained that he had been involved with the installation of CCTV and suggested a Task & Finish Group. Cllr Frances suggested that this offer be accepted and this was seconded by Cllr W J Lee. Clerk would send Mr Semper copies of the quotations and he offered to liaise with the Dyfed Powys Crime Prevention to get their advice. Cllrs W J Lee, C M Jenner, D C Harris and the Clerk would form the Task Group.

2020/393 (2020/284) Four Crosses Football Club have removed all equipment stored in Electricity Room but not that stored in the Disabled Toilet. Clerk had to arrange to have extra keys cut for the Home Changing Room and the new referee’s Room – Chairman would speak to Mr Mike Evans.

2020/394 It was agreed that Clira would carry out the maintenance checks in accordance with the Legionella Assessment once the Football Team are allowed to play matches.

2020/395 Chairman Cllr W J Lee had completed the Maintenance Log for October and was pleased with the new hand sanitizer. 2 areas of concern was the mesh around the pitch and that one of the arms on the wooden seat had broken. There was also an overgrown shrub where the footpath meets Vrynwy Crescent. It was agreed to ask Cllr Ken Evans to carry out the maintenance log in November.

2020/396 It was agreed to Invoice the Football Club for the hire of the Football Pitch for £200 but to also give notice that due to rising costs of Electric and Legionella Testing that the rent will be reviewed in May 2021.

2020/397 It was also agreed that Clerk would transfer funds from the Sports & rec Account to the Current account to cover the cost of the Legionella improvements and that the sum insured on the Clubhouse should be increased by the value of the extension.

2020/398 Clerk to also report to the Footpaths Officer that a couple of planks are loose on the footbridge over the Sarn Wen Brook.

Planning

2020/399 Powys County Council have responded to say that traffic lights are in operation at the dev of 49 houses adj Foxen Manor because of a lighting fault in one of the new street columns . This has now been rectified and the lights removed – Clerk to remind for the Stage 3 Safety Audit.

2020/400 Planning permission requested for 20/1340/FUL Installation of 4 underground LPG gas tanks, reconfiguration of plots 22 and 23 and alterations to landscaping plan at the above development. Councillors felt that this was an important element of the design of the houses and should have been considered in the Reserved Matters application. They also felt that alternatives such as solar panels and ground source heat pumps should have been considered and would like to see the energy performance of the houses.

2020/401 Planning permission requested for 20/1554/HH – Erection of an extension at Braeside Cottage, Brynmawr for Mr & Mrs D Blackmore – no objections.

2020/402 Additional information notification for 20/0345/FUL Conversion and extension of existing garage to form a nursery and installation of a sewage treatment plant at Greystones.

This was noted and it was agreed to maintain the original objection of too close to Clifton Bridge for the volume of traffic and not a safe pedestrian access.

2020/403 Planning permission requested for 20/1275/OUT – residential development of up to 12 dwellings, associated access and infrastructure to include some demolition at Wychwood, Four Crosses for the Trustees of Wychwood. Cllr D M Foulkes declared an interest by virtue of being the tenant and left the meeting. It was noted that the development was within the development plan but that concern would be expressed about the proximity of the access to the bus shelter, query whether the bus shelter would affect visibility, not access over the brook into the next field is not needed, that one of the houses is too close to the lane leading to Greenfield Farm and that above all they would be looking for quality of housing, not quantity, as this location is in the centre of the village.

2020/404 Planning permission has been granted for 20/1190/FUL – conversion of garage to holiday let at Oakleigh, City Lane.

2020/405 Clerk had contacted Planning Dept re; Fields Farm as there seems to be conversion of the outbuildings. County Cllr Arwel will also make enquiries as no planning application has been lodged.

Correspondence

2020/406 Notification from PCSO Sarah Pocock that 10th – 17th October is Hate Crime Week

2020/407 Written statement from the Welsh Government re; phase 2 of the Diversity in democracy Action Plan – this is aiming to raise awareness of the role of Community Councillors

2020/408 Invitation from One Voice Wales to join the conversation with the Welsh Government and regional partners of Mid Wales and South West Wales to establish a shared vision for our future economies

2020/409 Community Health Council newsletter received

2020/410 Information received on the BAME Helpline Wales

2020/411 Powys County Council are asking what can be done to make cycling and walking within an area better? – Cllrs felt that improvements to the towpath would encourage more cyclists.

2020/412 Independent Remuneration Panel Report received – reminder for Councillors to fill in the declaration with regard to which allowances they wish to claim. Councillors were asked to fill in the declaration with regard to their expenses in preparation for the Budget.

2020/413 Details received from one Voice Wales of online training courses this Autumn

2020/414 Email from Dyfed Powys Police asking for members to take part in a survey in relation to their use of CCTV

2020/415 Poster had been sent by Russell George M.S & Craig Williams M.P giving their contact details.

2020/416 Powys County Council had confirmed that in the Wales circuit breaker lock-down, that Leisure Centre, Libraries and Recycling Centres would be closed until Mon 9th Nov 2020.

Accounts

2020/417 Bank Accounts at 22nd October 2020;-

Current Account	£ 229.58
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Sports & Recreation Acc	£10234.56
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Deposit Account	£30168.31
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Bank statements will be signed by the Chairman.

2020/418 Permission granted to pay;-

i) M I & T E M Pritchard – maintenance of War memorial and Parc Hafod £873.60 under s19 (30 L.G (Misc Purposes) Act 1976.

2020/419 Revised pay rates for Clerks received from Nalc. Clerk left the meeting and Cllr Frances explained that she had consulted with Cllr W J lee & Cllr D K Evans and that a wage increase was agreed in line with the new recommendations.

2020/420 Annual Return had been received from External Auditors with no comments raised.

Complaints

2020/421 (2020/301) Photograph of van parked in front of The Nest and obstructing traffic has been sent to the Police who will speak to the owner. Vehicles are also starting to park on the double yellow lines outside the Hairdressers, particularly in an evening, and PCSO will be asked to make contact.

2020/422 (2020/304) Bowen Son and Watson have confirmed that they will contact their tenant to trim the hedge around the bus shelter at the bottom of Domgay Lane.

2020/423 (2020/306) Highways Dept had confirmed that all Capital Works will be re-evaluated and whilst they will endeavor to keep the resurfacing of the B4393 from Courthouse Lane to Vrynwy Caravans, in the schedule there is no guarantee. Clerk will ask them to clean the gullies along this stretch – many have grass growing out of them as this will help with drainage.

2020/424 Clerk had circulated the Highways Log – County Cllr Arwel will ask the Highways manager for a suggested date for completion and Clerk will remind North & Mid Wales Trunk Road Agency re; broken drain near Ty Coch.

2020/425 Complaints received of speeding on B4393 through Four Crosses and request that speed bumps are made wider. Cllrs have noted that vehicles are managing to straddle the bumps – Clerk to ask Highways Dept to remeasure them to check they have not sunk.

2020/426 Clerk to remind Highways Dept of overhanging bough at bottom of lane to Bryn Mawr which is forcing vehicles to the other side of the carriageway.

2020/427 Clerk to also report pothole on B4393 on bend approaching Pentreheylin which has been repaired several times and still needs repairing.

Any other business

2020/428 Footpath Committee are looking to hold a zoom meeting in November and will give an update on the progress of the Footpaths.

2020/429 Update on Save Rodneys Pillar will be given at next meeting

2020/430 It was agreed to purchase a wreath from the Royal British Legion and that the Chairman will represent the Community Council on Sun 8th Nov.

Meeting closed 9.50 p.m

Next Meeting:- Thursday 26th November 2020
