

CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANDYSILIO COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Draft Minutes of a meeting held on Thursday 26th October 2023 in Four Crosses Village Centre at 7.30 p.m (Meeting also available via zoom)

Present: Chairman Cllr C M Jenner presided, Cllrs Frances Buckingham, D M Foulkes Mrs V Holloway, D C Harris, D M E Lloyd, Mrs D Kendall and W J Lee.

Apologies were accepted from Cllrs N H Savage and A E Jones 2023/541

Minutes of the last meeting held on Thursday 28th September 2023 had been circulated. The Minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman. 2023/542

Matters arising from meeting of 28th September 2023.

2023/543 (2023/468) Following the meeting with Powys County Council to view the bus shelters another suggestion of a bus shelter has been sent which would cost £3745.00. These details would be passed on once the residential development commences at each site.

2023/544(2023/470) NRW have supplied more details re: flood warning system. Date is being organized with Jonathon Wilkinson as Chair with Russell George M.S, E.A, NRW & Hafren Dyfrdwy re: Severn catchment liaison group. Once this meeting has been held a further meeting is proposed to update other stakeholders and interested parties.

2023/545 (2023/177) Matt Perry, Head of Highways, reminded re: use of external contractors/equipment and has asked Ashley Collins to respond. It was noted that a pavement sweeper had come following the floods which looked to be an external one.

2023/546 (2023/488) Open Meeting has been arranged for Wed 15th November at 7 p.m in Llandrinio Village Hall with Matt Perry Head of Highways to discuss from 7pm to 8pm proposals to protect Llandrinio Bridge and from 8pm to 9p.m Presentation by Severn Valley Water Management Scheme & update from Matt Perry as to what role Powys County Council are playing in the proposed water management.

2023/547 (2023/513) London Hearts Charity have replied with a quote of £783 + VAT for a Defibrillator for the phonebox at Llys Rhysnant – Clerk looked online and this can be bought for £745. It was agreed to wait for another Grant offer.

2023/548 (2023/531) Clerk had written to Ashvale Contracting Ltd re; blocked vegetation in front of building plot adj Maes Offa and vegetation has now been cleared.

2023/549 (2023/536) Signs of the Times have responded with a quote for a Sign by the Lime Tree planted for the late Queen Elizabeth II of £331.00 + VAT – it was agreed to go ahead.

Sports & Recreation

2023/550 (2023/473) Many thanks to Cllrs Cliff Jenner and Bill Lee who had replaced the seat at Foxen Manor - Memorial Plaques to also be transferred.

2023/551 (2023/474) Clerk contacted a 4th contractor for a quote for Solar Panels –quote received from Arbserve to fell the 2 trees plus the one by the footpath of £600.00 + VAT. At the moment without a Capital Grant it would be 10 years before costs were recouped. Clerk to ask Pant Village Hall whether they have seen any savings following the installation of solar panels on their roof.

2023/552 (2023/479) Clerk met with Ray Parry on Wednesday 18th October –quote received to replace the tarmac and would strongly recommend that the swing unit is also replaced at the same time. Clerk to ask for break down as Councillor felt the bottom of the swing supports could be repaired if needed. It was agreed to go ahead with the new cradle seat at £150 + VAT.

2023/553 Maintenance log for October completed by Cllr Mrs D M Kendall who had also highlighted a problem of the metal hanging down from the dug-out – Clerk asked Cllr Arwel if he could repair along with a loose grid by the rear door. The smell of sewerage was apparent on the 8th but better on the 22nd following the rain. Another post broken behind the goal mouth was also noticed – Cllr Arwel would be asked to repair. The bottom of one of the outdoor gym equipment is now becoming more unstable – Clerk will ask suppliers to come and mend. Cllr Mrs V Holloway offered to complete for November.

2023/554 Invoice received from Clira Ltd for £72.00

2023/555 Fixtures List received from Football Club for October

2023/556 Llanfechain Football Club restarted 18th Oct 2023- Goalkeeper is injured at the moment so only paid £50 in advance.

2023/557 Clerk contacted Craig Williams M.P for his help in getting Scottish Power to accept the meter reads – this was proved very helpful with Scottish Power refunding £190.64 and reducing the Direct Debit to £90.00 from 6th Nov 2023.

2023/558 Invoice received from Andy Ellis for Grass Cutting for £1761.82

County Cllr Arwel update

2023/559 To follow at next meeting.

Planning

2023/560 Update with Town & Community Councils now scheduled for Wed 15th Nov at 6.30 p.m – Clerk has asked that Powys County Council response to Audit Wales Report be included

2023/561 Update re: 23/1071/FUL Erection of 4 Geodomes at Laburnum House, Bryn Mawr –responses received from Consultees was noted.

2023/562 Planning permission requested for:-

i) 23/1402/HH Erection of a second storey extension over existing garage and a single storey rear extension at 6 Vrynwy Crescent Four Crosses for Mr & Mrs Fitzsimmons.- no objections.

ii) 23/1360/HH – Erection of side extension at 2 Severn Way, Four Crosses for Mr R Jones – no objections.

Correspondence

2023/563 Reminder received re: Air Ambulance consultation (circulated to Councillors)

2023/564 Slides received from Canal & River Trust following visit by Rich Harrison last month plus details of the proposed diversion of footpath. Carreghofa Community Council have been offered the opportunity to adopt a section of the Canal – Clerk to find out more details.

2023/565 Notification from One Voice Wales of Beacons suggested to commemorate 80th D-Day on the 6th June 2024

2023/566 Email from Powys Green Guide Team asking if the Community Council have declared a Climate or Ecological Emergency - noted

2023/567 Cllr Matthew Dorrance, Deputy Leader, has sent details of Local Democracy Week 2023 – aim to respond within 10 working days

2023/568 Notification of a Fraud Awareness Event being organized by Russell George and Craig Williams Church House, Welshpool on Fri 27th Oct between 10.30 a.m and 12.30

2023/569 Notification from Dyfed-Powys Police of an Open Doors Event in Llangunnor, Carmarthen – 15th & 16th Nov – invitation to Councillors only

2023/570 Notification of funding through the Powys Local Places for Nature scheme to benefit biodiversity

2023/571 Email from friends of Montgomery Canal giving details of where their Calendar for 2024 and Christmas Cards can be purchased

2023/572 Clerk inquired re: training for Cilca – total cost is £700 but a 50% Bursary is applicable and cost split also between Llandrinio & Arddleen Community Council so approx. cost £175/council – Cllrs agreed that this would be beneficial and to go ahead.

2023/573 Dyfed Powys Police have emailed to say burglaries in Llandrinio & suspicious activity reported in Arddleen – put on Community facebook

2023/574 Highways emailed re: sign saying WC on the roundabout which relates to the Westlake Fishery – Clerk contacted owners and whilst they will let members of the public use the toilet they feel Westlake is so far from the roundabout that it would be better if the sign was removed.

2023/575 Remembrance Sunday 12th November with a Service at 11 a.m – a donation of £100 was agreed for the British Legion – Llandrinio & District Branch.

Accounts

2023/576 Bank Accounts at 26th October 2023:-

Current Account £ 426.55

Sports & Recreation Acc £ 2084.96

Deposit Account £30240.88

Parc Hafod £28017.72

Bank statements were checked and initialed by Chairman Cllr C M Jenner.

2023/577 Permission granted to pay;-

i) Clira Ltd £72.00 under s19 (3) L.G (misc purposes) Act 1976

ii) NBB Recycled Furniture £408.00 under L.G.A 1972 s137

iii) Andrew Ellis £1761.82 under s19 (3) L.G (misc purposes) Act 1976

iv) British Legion – Llandrinio & District Branch. £100.00 under L.G.A 1972 s137

2023/578 Budget as at 26th October 2023 was discussed and agreed.

Complaints

2023/579 (2023/522) North & Mid Wales Trunk Road Agency have replied to say that they will be removing vegetation shortly on the roundabout with a view to replanting in Spring – they also plan to angle the pedestrian crossing light so it is more visible when entering the roundabout from Canal Road and also sign will be replaced from the Weshpool direction indicating the pedestrian crossing. Cllrs were concerned that to remove the vegetation now will only increase the speed of the traffic and that there is still no sign when coming from the Oswestry direction.

2023/580 Apology received from Powys County Council Highways Dept with regard to the incorrect signing of the speed limit on Court House Lane and for removing the 30mph from the road – promised to re-apply. It was noted that the sign needs changing on the mini-roundabout by the Vets. – Clerk will forward to Highways.

2023/581 Hafren Dyfrddwy have replied to say that they are looking into the number of water pipe bursts on the B4393 Clifton Bridge to Newbridge and will report back.

2023/582 It was disappointing to see that repairs to the sewer system had not been completed as planned in October and that tankers had been used at Canal Road again – Clerk to ask representative to come and explain at the next meeting.

2023/583 Updated Highways log circulated.

2023/584 Highways Dept had replied to say that a vehicle impact would not have affected the timing of the traffic lights at Clifton Bridge – Cllrs confirmed that it had and that now, because motorists have a longer wait, more drivers are rushing the lights. Clerk to respond to Highways.

2023/585 Recycling had been missed again at Llys Rhysnant but Powys County Council have explained that this was due to a new crew not covering all the properties.

2023/586 Cllr N H Savage had reported flooding on the B4393 on Fri 20th October opposite Pentreheylin Bungalow – Clerk had rung this in but Highways not responded until late evening with a flooding sign due to the severity of the weather across Powys on that day. Clerk has asked if we could be included in training so that we could put signs out when needed and this would then also ensure that they are removed when the road is clear.

2023/587 North & Mid Wales Trunk Road Agency have responded to say that they are reviewing their practice in the placing of Road Closed due to Flooding signs – unfortunately this was not early enough on Fri 20th October.

2023/588 Clerk to ask Highways Inspector to come and look at the drainage at the entrance to the School/Village Centre – parents had to park on the road to collect the children on Fri 20th October.

2023/589 It was noted that extra rubbish had been dumped by the rubbish bin by the Underpass – Clerk to monitor.

2023/590 More vehicles seem to be parking on the double yellow lines outside Linden Lea – Clerk to ask PCSO to remind them of the regulations and that vehicles parking here impeded visibility for those exiting Foxen Manor.

Any other business

2023/591 Cllr Bill Lee was pleased to report that the Open meeting held on the 11th Oct re: Little Tysilios had proved successful with 2 new trustees being appointed and more offers of help. Mrs V Holloway has now stood down as a Trustees and he paid tribute to all the work she had done in getting in setting up the Charity and registering the Pre-School.

Meeting closed 9.10 p.m