

MINUTES OF THE LLANBEDR DYFFRYN CLWYD COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER 2018 IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM,
VILLAGE HALL, LLANBEDR DYFFRYN CLWYD AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT: Councillors Lyn Evans (Chairman), Timothy Baker, Kenneth Tams, Rhian Jones (from 8.15 p.m.), Robert Barton (from 8.25 p.m.) together with the Clerk.

1: APOLOGIES: Councillors Jackie Bird, Nick Smith and David Ritchie.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

None Received.

3. CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING.

Members confirmed 2nd July 2018 minutes as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.

A. Councillor Lyn Evans gave an update on Llanbedr Village Hall issues:-

1. Contact details updated on the notice board.
2. New notice board has been organised.
3. Grass cutting has now been completed.

B. Councillor Lyn Evans and Mr Gwyn Williams have cut back the highway verge hedge at the end of Lon Cae Glas.

C. County Councillor Huw Williams have contacted North Wales Police regarding the speeding issues on the A494 through Llanbedr.

D. Councillor Lyn Evans reported that County Councillor Huw Williams is looking into the Defibrillator Training with the suggestion that every group who uses the hall sends a representative to the training.

E. Councillor Lyn Evans updated Members on the "Link" Magazine:-

1. Contributions required to the quarterly issue.
2. Chris Mayer is looking to re-vamp the magazine and its distribution. An update will be reported at the next meeting of the Council.

5. COUNCIL'S VACANT SEAT.

The Clerk received one applicant for the vacant seat on the Council, Mr Gruff Jones, 6 Maes Celyn, Llanbedr, and circulated Members with Mr Jones' Curriculum Vitae. After consideration of the application Members resolved to invite Mr Jones to the October meeting of the Council as an observer.

6. COMMUNITY HUB UPDATE.

Councillor Tim Baker updated:-

A: Share offer had not taken place on the Bank Holiday weekend because the full legal approval had not received from the Wales Co-op. Approval was expected at the end of the week beginning 3rd September.

B. The share offer is to be issued to the Community on 24th September and close on the 17th November.

C. Mr Baker requested that the £1,500.00 loan to the "Our Griffin" Management Group be transferred to a grant. This will be on the Agenda of the next Council meeting.

7. COUNCIL'S WEBSITE.

Councillor Lyn Evans reported that Councillor Jackie Bird is unable to assist with the Council's Website due to work commitments. Members Resolved to discuss the Council's Website at the next Council meeting when more Members will be in attendance.

8. UPDATE ON THE MAINTENANCE OF THE OLD ST. PETER'S CHURCH.

Councillor Lyn Evans gave an updated report:-

A: Lyn Evans, Guy Alford, Gwyn Williams, Dave Ritchie and Andrew Harvey have completed the grass cutting of the site. Rhian Jones will put a notice on the Llanbedr Facebook page to see if anyone will come forward to grass cutting in future.

B. Guy Alford and Lyn Evans will get quotes for regular grass cutting next year to keep on top of the grass growth to make the Church/Churchyard look more attractive to visit.

C. Despite two emails from the Clerk asking for help to pay for the regular grass cutting, no reply has been received from the Reverend Philip Chew.

9. OLD ST. PETER'S CHURCH COMMITTEE REPORT.

Councillor Rhian Jones reported due to extra work commitments she would not be able to progress the grant application until the New Year.

10. EASY FUNDRAISING.

Councillor Dave Ritchie will report at the October meeting.

11. YSGOL LLANBEDR ASTROTURF RESTORATION.

With her commitment to the re-opening of the Griffin Community Hub, Sian Jones has put the grant application on hold.

12. WAEN WOODS/SCHOOL UPDATE.

Councillor Lyn Evans updated Members:-

A: The Waen Woods legal agreement has been signed and agreed by Mr David Sharples and handed back to the School.

B. the School garden won first prize at the Ruthin Flower Show.

C. Ivor Richards has donated a large greenhouse to the School, and has obtained a £1,200.00 grant from the Lasdan Livery Company for materials and erection of the greenhouse. If there is a shortfall they will apply to the Community Council for financial aid.

13. GREEN FLAG PRESENTATION.

Councillors Bob Barton and Ken Tams updated Members on the Green Flag presentation which was held on 9th August 2018 in Colwyn Bay and photographs of the event was supplied by Councillor Barton. The Chairman thanked Councillors Barton and Tams for their hard work on the Maes Derwen Community Garden Project which resulted in the "Green Flag Award".

14. FINANCE ISSUES.

A. Bank balances:-

1. Nat West Current Account £14,382.43.

2. Nat West Saver Account £9,330.51.

B. Receipts:-

1. Second 2018/19 precept receipt £8,500.00.

2. Bay of Colwyn Town Council (refund of One Voice Wales training courses) £80.00.

C. Bill payment authorisation:-

1. Clerk's salary for the quarter ended 30th September 2018 £440.00.
2. HMRC – PAYE for the quarter ended 30th September 2018 £110.00.
- 3 Krystal Hosting – Website Domain fee £35.99.
4. Brenda Jones – Translating cost £40.00.
5. One Voice Wales Training Course £40.00.

15. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

Following the consultation with Councillor Nick Smith (Council's Planning Representative) during the Community Council's summer break the observations were made on the following planning applications received.

- A. Application 16/2018/0645 – Erection of extension, provision of fire escapes and internal applications to provide a hub for the community at The Griffin Inn, Llanbedr Dyffryn Clwyd – no objections.
- B. Application 16/2018/0646 – Erection of extension, provision of fire escapes and internal applications to provide a hub for the community (Listed Building application) at The Griffin Inn, Llanbedr Dyffryn Clwyd – no objections.
- C. Application 16/2018/0659 – Details of appearance, landscaping layout and scale of one dwelling submitted in accordance with condition number one of outline permission code 16/2017/1074 (reserved matters application) on land at (part garden of) Cae Glas, Lon Cae Glas, Llanbedr Dyffryn Clwyd – no objections.
- D. Application 16/2018/0697 – Erection of extensions and alterations to dwelling at Nant-y-Brithyll, Llanbedr Dyffryn Clwyd – no objections.
- E. Application 16/2018/0730 – Erection of extension to dwelling at Machlud Haul, 1 Tunnel Bungalows, Llanbedr Dyffryn Clwyd – no objections.
- F. Application 16/2018/0702 – Erection of extension and alteration to dwelling at Panorama Cottage, Llanbedr Dyffryn Clwyd – no objections.
- G. Application 15/2018/0726 – Erection of extension and alterations to dwelling at Bwlch-y-Parc, Llanbedr Dyffryn Clwyd – no objections.
- H. Application 16/2018/0713 – Lawful development Certificate for existing use of land for the stationing of caravans on land at Stoney Lane, Llanbedr Dyffryn Clwyd – observations:-
 - * *On the plan showing the new caravans the site is a different shape to that on the location plan. Looking at Google Earth, the new caravans don't fit on the existing site. A separate planning permission would be needed to extend the site; it can't be done on this application.*
 - * *The Community Council does not have access to the original planning permissions and trust that DCC will properly research these and establish the original site boundaries.*
 - * *No evidence has been submitted to show that the site has been continuously used for the stationing of caravans for an uninterrupted period in excess of 10 years.*
 - * *No evidence has been submitted to demonstrate that any existing or proposed caravans do/would not comprise operational development.*
 - * *No evidence has been provided as to the previous/historic use of the caravans. Holiday lets?*
 - * *If once the above information is provided DCC decide a certificate should be granted it is suggested that the description be altered to: 'Use of the land for the stationing of up to 10 caravans for short-term holiday let.'*
 - * *There is some confusion in the application as to whether the application is for an existing use or a proposed use.*

Councillors Rhian Jones and Bob Barton suggested, to obtain a more balanced assessment of the planning applications Councillor Nick Smith will be joined by Bob Barton and Lyn Evans.

16. CORRESPONDENCE.

A. Delyth Jones, Committee Members of the Llanbedr Appeal Committee of the Eisteddfod yr Urdd Sir Ddinbych 2020 sent an email for the Community Council to grant aid the local Appeal Committee. Members resolved for the Clerk to reply to Delyth Jones asking how much grant aid they require before the next meeting of the Council.

B. Joel Walley, Ecology Officer of Denbighshire County Council, offered to attend the next Council meeting to discuss the management of verges following the recent legislation changes. Members resolved to invite Mr Walley to the next Council meeting.

C. Gary Williams, Denbighshire County Council Monitoring Officer, has requested an application to extend the dispensation for the Members of the Council who are involved with the “Community Hub” (Councillors Lyn Evans, Tim Baker and Dave Ritchie) to be considered at the Standards Committee on 21st September 2018. Councillors Bob Barton and Lyn Evans agreed to prepare the application on behalf of the Community Council by 7th September to Mr Gary Williams.

17. DENBIGHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT.

The Council has virtually shut down for the month of August, so there was nothing to report.

18. URGENT BUSINESS UNDER SECTION 100B(4) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972.

A. Councillor Bob Barton offered to prepare an updated “Standing Orders” for the Council. Members resolved to accept Councillor Barton’s offer.

B. Councillor Ken Tams reported damp problems in one of the Maes Derwen houses which is under the ownership of Denbighshire County Council. Councillor Lyn Evans agreed to contact County Councillor Huw Williams to find a way to resolve the problem.

C. Councillor Rhian Jones reported on a contribution towards the cost of a “Silent Soldier” (£750 for large and £250 for small one) for the Community in Llanbedr. The Community Council support the idea of a silhouette memorial to WW1 in the village, but would like to see alternatives to the image of a foot soldier with a gun before backing the idea.

19. NEXT COUNCIL MEETING - Monday 1st October 2018 in the Committee Room, Village Hall, Llanbedr Dyffryn Clwyd at 7.30 p.m.