

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

PRESENT: Councillor Lyn Evans (Chairman), Tim Baker, Ken Tams, Dave Ritchie, Nick Smith, Rhian Jones (from 7.50 p.m.), and the Clerk.

1: APOLOGIES: Councillors Jackie Bird and Bob Barton.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

- A. Councillor Rhian Jones – agenda item 6.
- B. Councillor Dave Ritchie – agenda item 12.

3. CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING.

Members confirmed 5th November 2018 minutes as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA.

- A. Llanbedr School £600.00 cheque has been returned because Ivor Richards has secured a grant for the erection of the greenhouse.
- B. Parked Vehicle – Mr Buckley has acted on the Council's request to move his car to the village hall and a thank you letter has been sent to him.

5. OLD ST. PETER'S CHURCH UPDATE.

The Parochial Church Council has agreed to match fund the £150.00 Community Council grant to pay the regular cutting the churchyard. The £150.00 cheque is to be sent to the Old St. Peter's Church Committee.

6. COMMUNITY HUB UPDATE.

- A. The share offer had failed to meet its minimum potential target and would be ending of the week 7th December 2018 and all cheques would be returned.
- B. the owner of the Griffin site is now looking at alternative models for a leisure facility or other alternative uses for the site.
- C. the Chairman thanked Councillors Tim Baker and Dave Ritchie for all their efforts to get the Llanbedr Community involved in the Griffin project. Councillor Ken Tams pointed out that the Community Council and the Griffin Management Committee has tried to get it going again as a community asset.
- D. Councillor Baker was requested to report back with a breakdown of the Management Committee's accounts.

7. EASY FUNDRAISING UPDATE.

Councillor Rhian Jones reported that a Easy Fundraising scheme has been set up by Llanbedr School.

8. CHRISTMAS LIGHTS EVENT REPORT.

The Community Council celebration was held on Friday evening 30th November. The weather was very mild and record numbers attended of all ages. The celebration finished in the Village Hall being full enjoying a mince pie/mulled wine and other refreshments served by Llanbedr School parents.

The Community Council would like to thank the following people for their generous time and donations:-

Mr Richard Thomas.

J.T. Williams Garden Machinery.

Reverend Philip Chew.

Geoff and Pam Andrews.

Jaine Heginbotham and Llanbedr School.

Julia Baddock, Governors and Friends of Llanbedr School.

Ron Bell and the Llanbedr Village Hall Committee.

Sian Jones.

Linda Roberts.

Ken Tams.

Jackie Bird.

Rhian Jones.

Lyn Evans.

Ray Molyneux.

Ivor Richards.

Brenda Jones.

Improvements for next year – Councillor Rhian Jones asked a Welsh language entertainment to be incorporated in the celebrations, and could a provision be made for extra lighting to be made in the Churchyard, possibly a steward to keep children safe.

9. LINK MAGAZINE UPDATE.

The Llanbedr representative had not come back to the Chairman with any positive suggestions/requests to improve its viability on its distribution. In this ward the majority of people don't use Social Media, so the Link is the one avenue of making people aware of Community events of news.

Councillor Tim Baker has been tasked with contacting the editor about submitting Llanbedr news/events and what help they need with distributing the quarterly magazine.

10. WEBSITE UPDATE.

Councillor Rhian Jones has offered to update the site to the present day. Councillors Gruff Jones and Jackie Bird are tasked with submitting their personal details to the website.

11. FINANCE.

A. Bank balances:-

1. Nat West Current Account £12,885.69.

2. Nat West Saver Account £9,333.25.

B. Authorised bill payments:-

1. Fineline – Christmas Lights event flyers £23.99.

2. Lyn Evans – Christmas Lights event expenses £62.80.

3. Ysgol Llanbedr School – Christmas Lights event expenses ££17.00.

4. Brenda Jones – translator cost £40.00.

5. Clerk's salary for the quarter ended 31st December 2018 £440.00.

6. HMRC – PAYE for the quarter ended 31st December 2018 £110.00.

12. PLANNING APPLICATION.

Planning application 16/2018/1024 – Erection of single storey side extension/lean-to at Beechbank, 13 Tan-y-Bryn, Llanbedr Dyffryn Clwyd – no objections.

13. CORRESPONDENCE.

Letter from Rebecca Szekely, Community Navigator of Denbighshire County Council, working for Age Connects offered to meet up with the Community Council to provide information on her role. Members resolved to invite her to the next Council meeting.

14. DENBIGHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES.

Councillor Lyn Evans provided on the following report provided by Councillor Huw Williams:-

A: Clocaenog Wind Farm – Concerned that even though we will be looking at the turbines, we as a community are excluded from the grant funding which will be available. Councillor Williams has organised a letter with other like minded Councillors to the Wind Farm Developers and Denbighshire Planning to get us included, which involves a boundary extension across the vale.

Councillor Gruff Jones made the valid observation that we would be looking at the wind farm but not getting any grant aid, while the Ruthin side can't see it but are getting the opportunity to apply for grant money for community projects.

Councillor Nick Smith offered to answer the wind farm internet survey on the Council's behalf and urged the rest of the Councillors to fill in the survey as individuals: to raise the issue of Llanbedr being unfairly excluded.

B. Looking at source grant monies to revamp the Village Hall, including redeveloping it.

C. Approached Williams Homes on our behalf – “the green area” and the “Village Hall” for a funding contribution.

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

A. Councillor Rhian Jones offered to get quotes for refurbishing the Llanbedr road sign.

B. Councillor Ken Tams raised the unresolved issue of the damp in rented property 30 Maes Derwen. The Chairman will find out the relevant Officer in the County Council so that we can write to them to find out why the problem has not been resolved. County Councillor Huw Williams is also to be copied in.

C. Councillor Gruff Jones raised the issue of speeding through the village not only on the A494 but the Llandyrnog road as well. He and Councillor Dave Ritchie have volunteered to help in the speed monitoring.

The Chairman will contact Llanfair Community Council to find out where they get their speed guns from, would they lend/hire them or as they have trained volunteers would they come and survey our village roads.

D. Councillor Dave Ritchie raised the option of inviting a representative of North Wales Police to come and talk about their community operations including speeding in our village.

E. Councillor Tim Baker raised the issue of organising a Liaison Group to come together including the Community Council, Village Hall, School, Llanbedr Show and the Church early in the New Year to generate a comprehensive plan to make Llanbedr and District a vibrant place to have a “Community”.

F. the Chairman thanked everyone for their contributions to a very productive meeting and wished everyone a Happy Christmas and New Year.

16. NEXT COUNCIL MEETING – Monday 7th January 2019 in the Committee Room, Village Hall, Llanbedr Dyffryn Clwyd at 7.30 p.m.