

MINUTES OF THE LLANBEDR DYFFRYN CLWYD COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 20TH MAY 2019 IN THE VILLAGE HALL,
LLANBEDR DYFFRYN CLWYD AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT: Councillors Lyn Evans (Chairman), Bob Barton, Jackie Bird, Dave Ritchie, Nick Smith, Ken Tams, Gruff Jones, Rhian Jones and the Clerk.

1: APOLOGIES: Councillor Tim Baker.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

A. Councillor Rhian Jones on agenda items 12 and 15B below.

B. Councillor Jackie Bird on agenda item 11 below.

3. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR THE 2019/2020 TERM OF OFFICE.

Members elected Councillor Lyn Evans as Chairman of the Council for the 2019/2020 term of office.

4. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR THE 2019/2020 TERM OF OFFICE.

Members elected Councillor Tim Baker as Vice-Chairman of the Council for the 2019/2020 term of office.

5. CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING.

Members confirmed 1st April 2019 minutes as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.

A. Section 106 payment from Williams Homes/Pennaf Housing Association Payment – although this payment will not be triggered until the 10th house is occupied, Councillor Nick Smith will prepare a letter to go to Denbighshire County Council to register our interest in spending that money on a “Community Green Space”.

B. Speed Awareness - Gruff Jones reported of how things are progressing, speeding figures, warning letters and the afternoon spent with North Wales Police. Keys have been cut so that the group can gain access to the Village Hall for where Dave Ritchie has presented a lockable case to store the two speed guns.

C. Link Magazine – Lyn Evans has collected 5 items to go into the “Summer Edition”, which as a one off experiment will be posted to the 386 householders on the Electoral Register which with the cost of postage and envelopes costing approximately £240. Recipients will again be encouraged to register to receive the Link electronically or not at all.

7. ONE VOICE WALES TRAINING COURSE 4TH APRIL 2019 REVIEW.

The collective view of the Committee was that while it was very efficiently organised by Bob Barton, but it was short on practical advice and long on theory, several of the basic modules could effectively be delivered in one session. Bob Barton offered the observation that the basic module attendance may soon become mandatory. Rhian Jones suggested until that time, we would not attend any more courses because of the expense, the rest of the Committee besides Bob Barton agreed.

8. LIAISON GROUP MEETING 8TH APRIL 2019.

Present were Members from the Church, Village Hall, School, Llanbedr Charities, Village Show and the Community Council chaired by Tim Baker. The group agreed on closer co-operation to develop Community participation in Llanbedr.

9/10. CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES FOR LLANBEDR AGE GROUPS.

It was decided to incorporate all age groups on the evening of the Christmas Lights event, to put on some food and entertainment in the Village Hall for everyone in the Community with ideas for entertainment to be discussed at the next meeting.

11. CHURCHYARD FOOTPATH AND THE LDP GREEN SPACE.

In response to email from the owners of the field between the Church and Lon Cae Glas, Jackie Bird voiced several concerns from Lon Cae Glas residents:-

A: Several residents had complained about the trees that had been felled. As there was no Tree Preservation Order and they were on private property nothing could be done retrospectively.

B. the LDP green space – its positioning so close to the road was totally unacceptable because of noise and vehicle pollution and safety to the community and passing traffic. Whilst the Committee welcomed their offer of the footpath, no formal offer has been made to pay for it. No formal planning application has yet been made the Clerk will draft a letter to express the Committee's concerns.

12. LLANBEDR SCHOOL GREENHOUSE.

In reply to the email from Ysgol Llanbedr the Committee agreed to pay the £270 greenhouse construction shortfall and the £84 towards gardening equipment. Members resolved for the Clerk to send a cheque for £354 also to ask for confirmation that the money has been spent on these specific items.

13. LLANGYNHAFAL FOOTBALL CLUB GRANT AID.

The Committee agreed to the request granting £300 to match Llangynhafal Community Council contribution and for the Clerk to ask the question would the Football Club play their matches in Llanbedr should a suitable site become available.

14. FINANCE.

A. Bank balances:-

1. Nat West Current Account £20,669.62.
2. Nat West Saver Account £9,340.87.

B. Receipts:-

1. First 2019/2020 precept £5,000.00.
2. Llanferres Community Council towards the One Voice Wales costs £33.75.
3. Llanfair Dyffryn Clwyd Community Council towards the One Voice Wales costs £13.75.
4. Cyffylliog Community Council towards the One Voice Wales costs £240.00.
5. Llanrhaeadr Community Council towards the One Voice Wales costs £120.00.

C. Authorised bill payments:-

1. Dave Ritchie – purchase of 2 speed guns £196.90.
2. Brenda Jones – April minutes translation £40.00.
3. One Voice Wales 28th March 2019 Course (Bob Barton) £55.00.
4. One Voice Wales 4th April 2019 Training Course £427.35.
5. One Voice Wales 8th April 2019 Training Course £419.70.
6. Zurich – Annual insurance premium £257.60.
7. Lyn Evans – 8 cut keys, C5 envelopes and Slate Garden/Maes Derwen Garden materials £91.19.
8. Llangynhafal Football Club – Grant aid application - £300.00.
9. Ysgol Llanbedr School – Greenhouse and gardening costs grant aid - £354.00.
10. Friends of Ysgol Llanbedr – Grant aid towards Astroturf costs - £2,000.00.

15. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

A. Planning Application: 16/2019/0280 - Alterations and extensions to dwelling to provide additional living accommodation in roof space at 2 Tunnel Bungalow, Llanbedr Dyffryn Clwyd, Ruthin – because of the delay in the May Community Council meeting the application had already been refused by Denbighshire County Council Planning Department confirming Nick Smith's opinion of the planning application.

B. Planning Applications 16/2019/0285/PF & 16/2019/0286/LB - Erection of extension, provision of fire escapes and internal alterations at the Griffin Inn, Llanbedr Dyffryn Clwyd, Ruthin – because of the lateness of this application it will be discussed at next month's meeting.

16. AONB.

Principle theme to emerge was their pursuit of "Light Pollution" accreditation and the resultant increased winter tourist income to this area. The AONB want to enlist the help of the County and Community Councils in the area, and the representative of the AONB is to be asked to come and speak to the Committee.

17. CORRESPONDENCE.

A. Llanbedr multi use games area email from Sian Jones – the Committee had previously agreed to grant £2,000 as start-up cash flow while staged payments Welsh Government grant aid is made.

B. Letter from Ron Bell Village Hall Caretaker – it's the Committee's role to facilitate community developments and events. The Community Council already grants £500 for its use 11 times a year (2 hours x £8 = £16 = £176) which leaves £324 for other community usages – primary School events, PTA meetings etc.

The Committee is willing to contribute more but the following concerns have to be addressed:-

- 1: Who owns the Village Hall.
2. Are there any covenants prohibiting the site to be used for anything else than by the Community.
3. What are the leasing arrangements and how long is the lease.
4. We need to see the last five years Hall accounts.
5. If the Council is to grant more money then a Community Councillor has to be on the Village Hall Committee.

Clerk will write to Mr Bell expressing this view.

18. DENBIGHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES.

Nothing was submitted by the County Councillor.

19. URGENT BUSINESS UNDER SECTIONN 100B(4) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972.

A. Dave Ritchie – Traffic calming measures – he is going to pursue this by the next meeting.

B. Lyn Evans asked the Clerk to write to Gwyn Williams, 5 Maes Derwen for cutting and removing the fallen tree in the Churchyard at no charge. Mr Williams has offered to strim various unsightly verges, around bus stops, the "Peace Tree" in the village, charging only his petrol.

C. Lyn Evans reported Mr & Mrs Duckworth of Tan-y-Fenlli will repair the far end of the Slate Garden.

20. NEXT COUNCIL MEETING – Monday 3rd June 2019 in the Committee Room, Village Hall, Llanbedr at 7.30 p.m.