

Cyngor Cymuned Llangynfelyn Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held on 12th December 2022

2022. Present: Councillor M James (in the chair), Pargeter, B Davies, D James, Haynes, Raffan, Stacey, Evans, Halestrap, & C Davies. The clerk was in attendance.

23. Apologies. None.

24. Minutes of the previous meeting. The minutes of the meeting held on 14th November 2022 were accepted and signed. Proposed Councillor B Davies. Seconded Councillor D James.

25. Declaration of interest.

i. Councillor Raffan – 26 x. Water on A487 by bus stop (Minutes of meeting held 12/12/2022).

26. Matters arising.

i. *NRW – bank of the river Leri* – Councillor Pargeter reported that there hasn't been any recent work to the bank of the river Leri or the surrounding land and that, at present, there is no flooding to report. Councillor Pargeter proposed removing this item from the Agenda until after the Borth Bog IDD meeting in March 2023 or until there is a change in circumstances to report. Seconded Councillor B Davies. Proposal resolved by Council.

ii. *Borth Bog IDD.* The Clerk reported that an email request has been made to NRW that Llangynfelyn Community Council and Councillor C Davies be included in the mailing list for future Borth IDD Advisory Group meetings.

Councillor B Davies reported that local farmer Rowland Davies has also requested that Llangynfelyn Community Council and Councillor C Davies be included in the mailing list for future Borth IDD Advisory Group meetings.

Councillor M James proposed removing this item from the Agenda until after the Borth Bog IDD meeting in March 2023. Seconded Councillor Pargeter. Proposal resolved by Council.

iii. *Footpath clearing/signage.* Councillor M James reported that the footpaths discussed at meeting in June 2022 have been cleared and queried whether the community council should erect signs showing the local public footpath locations. Council considered this unnecessary at present and Councillor D James proposed re-considering signage around March 2023 when growth re-starts. Seconded Councillor Evans.

Councillor Stacey proposed inviting local resident Jenny Dingle to attend a meeting in either February or March 2023 to discuss foliage control on local public footpaths.

Action Point: a). Clerk to contact Jenny Dingle.

iv. *Public footpath / private road through Coed Tafarn Fach.* The Clerk reported an email dated 05/12/2022 from Eifion Jones, Public Rights of Way Officer, Ceredigion County Council confirming a "claim to register a public right of way through Coed Tafarn Fach in Taliesin – land belonging mostly to Mr Dare. We'd like to look through historic community council minutes but note that there aren't any deposited with Ceredigion Archives. Do you know how we might get hold of these?"

I've had to declare an interest in this case as I live nearby so I'm not involved in the actual determination of the case; any documents would be shared with my colleague Sian-Medi who is copied in." The 'claim

to register a public right of way through Coed Tafarn Fach in Taliesin' has been submitted jointly by Sian Saunders & Martin Davis, Is-y-Coed, with a number of supporting user evidence forms.

The Clerk noted that hard copies provided by the out-going Clerk cover the period 12/03/2018 up to 31/08/2022. Digital copies available on-line on the 'old' Community Council website go back to January 2017. The current Clerk does not hold any digital or hard copies of minutes previous to these dates.

Eifion Jones re-confirmed in an email dated 12/12/2022, that Ceredigion Archives do not hold any records for Llancynfelyn (Llancynfelin) Community Council.

Councillor Haynes supplied the Clerk with hard copies of meeting minutes dated 14/12/2020, 11/01/2021, 08/02/2021, 08/03/2021, and 12/04/2021. An email from Cindy, Sian, and Rob about Coed Erglodd and Coed Tafarn Fach noted at 5) Letters and Emails in minutes dated 14/12/2020, and at the Matters Arising for the other minutes supplied.

The Clerk noted at 4h) Matters Arising from the Minutes dated 08/03/2021 it was recorded that "Letter from Sian a Rob about Coed Erglodd a Coed Tafarn Fach - after a discussion we decided to say that we couldn't agree to support this at the minute. Better for residents of the area to put their own views in on the plan."

Councillor Pargeter, Haynes, B Davies, D James, and M James reported that two members of Llangynfelyn Community attended the Community Council meeting on 14/12/2020 and asked for support from the Community Council for an application at that time. The then Council members voted to retain a neutral position.

Council discussed whether it should support the current application and, following discussion, it was agreed for Council to continue to retain a neutral position.

Councillor B Davies proposed removing this item from Matters Arising, Seconded Councillor Haynes. Proposal resolved by Council.

The Clerk, Councillor Evans, and Councillor Raffan reported that they had walked path 3/9 and path 3/10 on the 06/12/2022 and confirm installation of the way-marker posts outlined in email dated 11/11/2022 from Gareth Owen, Ceredigion County Council Footpaths Ranger – see photos attached.

Action Point: a). Clerk to provide Eifion Jones with scanned copies of minutes dated 14/12/2020, 11/01/2021, 08/02/2021, 08/03/2021, and 12/04/2021.

v. *Warm Hubs.* Councillor Stacey reported that Chloe Birds, Cletwr manager, has advised that delivery of free soup to community members will not be possible, however free soup and a roll will be provided to anyone who can come to Cletwr – every Thursday. Cletwr and Llangynfelyn community support group have shared details of the Cletwr Warm Hubs initiative on their respective FB page.

vi. *Condition of road surface Mill Street, Tre'r Ddol.* Councillor C Davies confirmed that she has reported this to Ceredigion County Council via Clic. Nothing to report. Councillor Stacey queried Clic response time. Councillor C Davies noted 2 weeks.

Action Point: a). Councillor C Davies to chase.

vii. *Community meeting with our local Community Police Officer.* Councillor M James 'posted' on the Llangynfelyn community support group FB page. Poll result confirmed 'No' interest. Councillor M James proposed removing item from Agenda. Seconded Councillor Halestap.

viii. *Green caravan Taliesin.* Councillor Haynes reported that a concerned community member has noted that the Green Caravan in Taliesin has moved slightly and is now leaning towards the road.

Councillor C Davies reported that the County Council contact has confirmed that Ceredigion County Council will get the caravan moved and has apologised that this hasn't already happened – unfortunately the County Council were let down by the contractor employed and they are hoping to find a replacement contractor asap.

ix. *Councillor Stacey training report.* Councillor Stacey reported that New Councillor training had been completed 05/12/2022. The training was Pan Wales so this allowed for a wide variety of items to be considered and discussed. Councillor Stacey noted that the training session was informative and recommended it to fellow Councillors. The Clerk noted that it is generally advised that Community Councils form a 5-year plan at the start of term of office. Councillor Stacey confirmed that this was discussed and recommended during the training as it encourages councils to be proactive instead of reactive. Following discussion Council agreed to consider and discuss, via email, what Council would like to engage with during its term of office. Once Council has a clear vision, a public meeting could be organised to consider proposals.

Action Point: a). Councillor Stacey to draft a questionnaire for Council to consider with regard to items that the Council would like to engage with during its term of office.

x. *Water on A487 by bus stop.* Before leaving, Councillor Raffan noted that whilst she is happy not to be present for this item when discussion is linked with the suggestion that the water on the A487 is originating from her property (garden) she would like it minuted that she considers that the water is coming from footpath 3/9 – see attached photo.

Councillor M James queried to what extent Council should get involved with this item?

Councillor D James proposed organising a site meeting with NMWTRA and Ceredigion County Council representatives particularly in light of ice forming on the A487 (see photo). Councillor Evans seconded.

Councillor C Davies noted it is Keith Henson who should be contacted at Ceredigion County Council.

Action Point: a). Clerk to approach CCC and NMWTRA to arrange a site meeting.

27. Finance.

- i. Mount Trading – Christmas tree invoice - £30.00 paid cheque 100812.
- ii. HSBC Standing Order/Direct Debit Instruction – Clerk wages - £256.53 monthly.
- iii. Haf o Hwyl – Abi Price invoice - £585.76 paid cheque 100813. Fiona Moran invoice - £278.00 paid cheque 100814.
- iv. HSBC - Important updates to our Business Internet Banking service - Council discussed the option of setting up internet banking for the Community Council bank account. The Clerk reported that there could only be one primary user but up to 99 secondary users. The primary user would be the only user able to give instructions for the account, but the secondary users would be able to access the account at all times to view instructions made by the primary user. An upper limit could be set for BACS payments out of the account. Council could keep the chequebook and continue to make payment by cheque if/when requested. BACS payment cost 35p per transaction, cheque cost £1.00 each, Council would have access to view the account 24/7, no need for postal paper statement. Councillor Halestrap proposed setting up internet banking on the Community Council bank account. Councillor Evans seconded. Council resolved proposal.

Action point: Clerk to set-up internet banking for Community Council bank account.

- v. Section 137 Expenditure Limit for 2023/24 - £9.93 per elector.
- vi. Payments to Members of Community and Town Councils

28. Correspondence and Communication.

- i. Ceredigion County Council
 - Changes to bus services in Ceredigion 02-12-2022
- ii. The Seaweed Alliance
 - Seaweed Farming Wales
 - Action Point:** a). Forward to Councillor C Davies.
- iii. One Voice Wales
 - Cost of living crisis: How to protect people's health and save lives
 - Action Point:** a). Councillor Raffan might go pending work commitments.
- iv. NHS Wales Health Collaborative
 - Energy
- v. Ceredigion HPW Streetworks
 - Emergency Road Closure: C1166 Tre'r Ddol, Machynlleth – Councillor D James noted Welsh Water have been trying to locate a water leak and have now left the area.
- vi. One Voice Wales
 - The Future of Welsh Communities: call for evidence.
- vii. Older People's Commissioner for Wales
 - Online Summit: From the Treasury to Treorchy - Increasing Pension Credit Uptake in Wales
 - Action Point:** a). Councillor M James to prepare a flyer for the OAP Christmas dinner.
- viii. One Voice Wales
 - Bullying and Harassment in Councils
 - Action Point:** a). Council will revisit this at the AGM in May 2023.

29. Planning. None

30. Other Items of Interest.

- i. Councillor Evans reported that Derval from Cletwr has contacted her to report that Morrisons in Aberystwyth have offered a number of free bags of eco-coal to Cletwr to be distributed to members of our community.
 - Action Point:** a). Councillor Evans to liaise with Cletwr.
- ii. Councillor M James reported recycling not picked up on Friday 09/12/2022 will be picked up on Friday 16/12/2022.
- iii. Councillor D James noted drain cleaning in Taliesin and Tre'r Ddol on the 09/12/2022.
- iv. The Clerk noted the Single-Use Plastic Products Bill was passed in the Senedd on 6th December 2022. Councillor Haynes noted that some plastic wrapping, eg. bags from supermarket carrots, apples, etc., show a 'not recycled everywhere' logo. Councillor Evans reported that these plastics are recycled in Ceredigion and can be taken to supermarkets in Aberystwyth where they have a collection point.
- v. Councillor B Davies noted that an advert will need placing in the January 2023 edition of the Papur Pawb to highlight the grant application window for Llangynfelyn Community Council.
 - Action Point:** a). Clerk to organise advert with Papur Pawb.

31. Date of the Next Meeting. 09 January 2023

Meeting opened 7pm

Meeting closed 9.30pm