# **Cyngor Cymuned Llangynfelyn Community Council**

Minutes of the meeting held on 13th March 2023

**2022/23. Present:** Councillor M James (in the chair), D James, B Davies, Haynes, Evans, Raffan, Stacey, & C Davies. The clerk was in attendance.

- **50. Apologies.** Councillor Pargeter & Councillor Halestrap.
- **51. Minutes of the previous meeting.** The minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2022 were accepted and signed. Proposed Councillor Stacey. Seconded Councillor Haynes.

## 52. Declaration of interest.

- i. Councillor Raffan 53ix. Water on A487 by bus stop.
- ii. Councillor C Davies 56. Planning

## 53. Matters arising.

- i. Bog Life Project A presentation was given to Council by members of NRW, namely Dana Thomas, Justin Lyons, and Ben Soanes Project Officer Cors Fochno, re: Cors Fochno raised bog. Following the presentation Council were addressed by Dr Carol Fielding, Head of Environment for NRW, re: plans for part of Cors Fochno owned by Community Council. Council noted that due to the presentation and the agenda for this meeting, any considerations re: Cors Fochno would be best addressed at the next meeting. Proposed Councillor B Davies. Seconded Councillor M James.
- ii. Footpath clearing/signage Councillor D James, B Davies, & Haynes noted that footpath maintenance of PRoW in Llangynfelyn parish is too large an undertaking for volunteers alone and proposed that Council should consider the use of a professional to undertake the maintenance of large foliage while the volunteer system, organised by Jenny Dingle and Councillor Stacey, would carry out on-going maintenance of the smaller foliage.

Councillor Stacey noted that Jenny Dingle hasn't requested funding for footpath maintenance.

All Councillors present agreed that a combination of both a professional contractor and the proposed volunteer scheme would be a good plan going forward.

Council noted local contractors that could be approached for tender include Rob Griffiths, Dafydd Williams, and Lee Roberts.

Council noted that it would be pertinent to compile a list of PRoW within Llangynfelyn parish prior to deciding which PRoW should take priority.

Councillor C Davies provided Council with x2 copy of A2 map for PRoW for the parish of Llangynfelyn.

**Action Point:** a). Clerk to prepare a list of PRoW within Llangynfelyn parish for meeting 03/04/2023.

- iii. Warm Hubs nothing to report.
- iv. Condition of road surface Mill Street, Tre'r Ddol. Nothing to report. Councillor C Davies to follow up and report back meeting 03/04/2023.
- v. CPR Training. Councillor Haynes reported that she has spoken with the defibrillator census organiser, Phil Hill, and recorded the number and location of the defibrillators in Llangynfelyn parish x1 Rehoboth Taliesin, x1 wall by Community Council notice board Llangynfelyn, and x1 Wildfowler

pub Tre'r Ddol. Defibrillators are check by Councillor Pargeter approximately 6 weekly. Phil Hill advised that Welsh Government are giving the Welsh Ambulance Service funding to help community groups fund the on-going costs of defibrillators, notably battery packs and pad replacements.

Councillor Haynes noted that the defibrillators in Llangynfelyn parish are organised by Grwp Diffibrilwyr Llangynfelyn Defibrillator Support Group not the Community Council.

vi. Councillor Training. Councillor Evans, Councillor M James, and Councillor Stacey completed Code of Conduct training and Councillor Raffan completed the New Councillor Induction training with One Voice Wales.

Councillor D James noted that during the last term of office (2018 - 2022) she had attended in-person training with Gwilym Rippon, which she had found informative.

The Clerk reminded Councillors of the need for Code of Conduct training.

Council agreed for the Clerk to cost in-person training with Gwilym Rippon in conjunction with Ysgubor y Coed Community Council.

**Action Point:** a). Clerk to contact Gwilym Rippon.

vii. Calan Mai/Coronation celebrations. Councillor M James noted that Chris Walton, The Wildfowler pub is likely to host an event to mark King Charles Coronation.

Councillor Evans noted that Cletwr celebrates its 10<sup>th</sup> birthday weekend of 08<sup>th</sup> April and are also likely to host an event to mark this.

viii. Cletwr – Digital Story and Animation Project. The Clerk noted an email received from Cletwr Board re: support for the Digital Story and Animation Project. Cletwr are applying to Ceredigion County Council for project funding and require written local support for their application. Council resolved to support Cletwr with their project. Proposed Councillor Evans. Seconded Councillor D James.

**Action Point:** a). Councillor M James (Chair) to provide Cletwr with letter of support.

ix. Water on A487 by bus stop. The clerk reported an email dated 06/03/2023 from Eifion Jones, (Footpaths) Ceredigion County Council confirming that he is happy to attend a site meeting but reaffirming that CCC consider this a NMWTRA issue.

The clerk reported an email dated 27/02/2023 from property owner Deirdre Raffan outlining that she would welcome a site meeting.

The clerk reported that no reply has been received from Keith Henson (Highways) Ceredigion County Council or NWMTRA.

Councillor Evans noted that the main inconvenience from the water is felt by the public bus users.

Council considered re-visiting proposal to get the bus stop moved – apart from the water issue this bus stop is in an inappropriate position. Proposed Councillor Evans. Seconded Councillor M James.

Councillor Haynes noted it may be useful to include Elin Jones MS in bus stop negotiations.

**Action Point:** a). Clerk to chase NMWTRA re: site meeting.

- b). Councillor C Davies to chase Keith Henson (Highways) Ceredigion County Council re: site meeting.
- c). Councillor Haynes to search correspondence linked to moving of bus stop at southern side of Tre-Taliesin and report back at meeting 03/04/2023.

### 54. Finance.

- i. One Voice Wales invoice £108.00 Annual membership 2023/2024.
  Action Point: a). Clerk to pay. Proposed Councillor Stacey. Seconded Councillor Haynes.
- ii. Graveyard donation 2022/23 the clerk noted the most recent donation to the graveyard upkeep was in February 2019 for £400.00. Following careful consideration it was noted that the graveyard is maintained by the Church who charge users. The Church haven't approached the Community Council for a donation. Council resolved to remove the graveyard donation from the budget going forward. Proposed Councillor M James. Seconded Councillor B Davies.
- iii. One Voice Wales invoice £17.50 Councillor training invoice dated 08/03/2023. **Action Point:** a). Clerk to pay. Proposed Councillor D James. Seconded Councillor Evans.
- iv. Audit Wales invoice £433.00 2020/21audit fee invoice dated 07/03/2023. **Action Point:** a). Clerk to pay. Proposed Councillor M James. Seconded Councillor Raffan.
- v. Requests for Financial Assistance Taliesin Art Group. Following consideration of the balance sheet provided, Council resolved to give a donation of £200.00.
  Action Point: a). Clerk to arrange donation asap. Proposed Councillor Evans. Seconded Councillor B Davies.

# 55. Correspondence and Communication.

- i. Ben Lake MP  $\rightarrow$  reply from Lee Waters MS
  - Council noted Tre Ddol Pedestrian Crossing Assessment referred to is at incorrect location. This matter has previously been noted by Community Councillors in a Zoom meeting attended by Elin Jones MS and Ben Lake MP.
- ii. Ceredigion County Council
  - → Members sought for Cynnal y Cardi Local Economic Regeneration Partnership
- iii. Wales Air Ambulance Service
- iv. Hywel Dda Engagement → Launch of public consultation on location of new planned and urgent care hospital.
  - Councillor C Davies reminded everyone of the importance of responding to this consultation. Councillor M James to add to Llangynfelyn community support group FB page.
- v. Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Report February 2023
  - the Clerk reported that the IRPW "would like to clarify that the Extra Costs Payment is mandatory for all Members in Groups 1 to 5". The clerk proposed that as she works for Ysgubor y Coed Community Council as well as Llangynfelyn Community Council, going forward Ysgubor y Coed Community Council would pay for all printing cost consumables and Llangynfelyn Community Council would pay for half the clerk's broadband contract. The clerk would source and maintain the hardware for both printing and broadband. Council would re-visit this proposal September 2023 following presentation of Clerk's half yearly Expenses 2023/24. All councillors present agreed.
- vi. Ceredigion Technical Services → Spring clean 2023
  - Councillor Evans noted the southern side of Taliesin needs to be included in any organised litter picking.
- vii. Hywel Dda Engagement

- → Public event dates for consultation on the location of a new planned urgent care hospital viii. Ceredigion Press Office
  - → Dementia Engagement Events Mawrth / March 2023
- ix. Welsh Government
  - → Consultation launched on new registration rules for all bird keepers in Great Britain
  - noted only relevant to keepers of 50+ birds.
- x. Welsh Government
  - → Planning Policy Wales: Net benefit for biodiversity and ecosystems' resilience
- xi. Welsh Government
  - → Taxi and Private Hire Vehicle (Wales) Bill

## 56. Planning.

A230073 - Open sided timber building to provide shelter during wet weather and infrastructure improvements comprising a new layby, improved paths and compost toilet – Coed Taliesin, Tanrallt Lane, Tre Taliesin. All Councillors present support application.

**Action Point:** a). Clerk to submit Council observations.

#### 57. Other Items of Interest.

i. Councillor Stacey noted that the Requests for Financial Assistance might be more streamline if applicants had a standard form for submission to Council. Council agreed that a 'standard form' would be practical going forward, but noted for an interim period Council should also accept Requests for Financial Assistance using the current method of covering letter plus balance sheet. Council resolved to revisit this proposal December 2023, before advertisement in Papur Pawb January 2024.

**Action Point:** a). Councillor Stacey to prepare a standard form for Request for Financial Assistance, to be considered by Council at the AGM 08/05/2023.

## **58. Date of the Next Meeting.** 03 April 2023

Meeting opened 7pm Meeting closed 9.45pm