

# CYNGOR CYMDEITHAS LLANFYNYDD LLANFYNYDD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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## Minutes of the meeting of Llanfynydd Community Council held at 8pm on Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> June 2014 at Llanfynydd School.

**126/14: PRESENT:** Chairman Cllr. Lee Strudwick, Cllrs. Meirion Jones, Mairwen Rees, Haydn Jones, David Jones, Peter Law & Brian Thomas.

In attendance was County Cllr. Mansel Charles the clerk Mrs. Elaine Blakeman.

Also Present: Claire Papworth, Kathanne Rose, Hilary Coole, Chris Papworth, Cledwyn Davies, Glyn Dyer & Community Officer Louise Lewis.

**127/14: APOLOGIES** – Cllr. Rod Morgan.

**128/14: CHAIRMANS WELCOME** – The chairman welcomed everyone present.

### **129/14: MINUTES**

It was proposed by Cllr. David Jones and seconded by Cllr. Brian Thomas that the minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2014 be accepted as a correct record of proceedings.

### **130/14: DYFED POWYS POLICE REPORT**

There were no crimes to report.

### **131/14: MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**A. 99/14 (d) SAYONARA KNOTWEED** - Tidy Towns Grant Application. With reference to correspondence from LVS concerning the Council's plan for Knotweed eradication, County Cllr. Mansel Charles is to follow up & the clerk is to write to CCC. **To be discussed at next meeting.**

### **132/14: CORRESPONDENCE**

The following items of correspondence were discussed and noted:

- a) One Voice Wales - Consultancy Services. No further action required.
- b) LVS – Re maintenance of Llanfynydd Wooden Benches – The council agreed that they would reimburse LVS with receipts provided for the maintenance of these two benches. Clerk to notify LVS.
- c) Carmarthenshire National Eisteddfod – invitation to Community Day at Botanic Gardens 14<sup>th</sup> June, 11am-3pm. Clerk to respond & book 2 places on behalf of the council.
- d) One Voice Wales – email re: Public Health White Paper-Toilets for public use. No further action required.
- e) OVW - BLAENHONDDAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL PART TIME ASSISTANT CLERK (PROJECT SUPPORT) job advert. CLOSING DATE: 12pm on Friday 13 June, 2014. For an informal discussion, ring the Council on 01639 632436. No further action required.
- f) OVW - Code of Conduct at Trefeglwys Village Memorial Hall, Trefeglwys, Caress. SY17 5PH on **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2014**. No further action required.
- g) OVW - NaturalResourceManagement <http://wales.gov.uk/topics/environmentcountryside/consmanagement/natural-resources-management/?lang=en>. No further action required.
- h) OVW - Llanelli Mind seeking New Board Members & a Treasurer or Experienced accountant. No further action

required.

- i) OVW - Appointment of Chair of Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee (WHSSC). No further action required.
- j) OVW - training course **Introduction to Community Engagement, Kidwelly**, on **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2014**. No further action required.
- k) OVW - training course Module 12 - Community Planning at Neath Community Centre, 10/12 Orchard Street, Neath, SA11 1DU on Tuesday 17th June 2014. No further action required.
- l) OVW - training course **Use of IT, Website & Social Media at Llanelli Town Council**. No further action required.
- m) OVW – Update on Nature Fund. Visit [www.wales.gov.uk/naturalresourcemanagement](http://www.wales.gov.uk/naturalresourcemanagement). No further action required.
- n) OVW – The Voice, Issue 25 Spring 2014. Passed around to councillors.

### **132A/14: Outdated Correspondence**

- a) One Voice Wales - Please visit the link below for an exciting opportunity represent the third sector at **Hywel Dda Community Health Council**. Deadline 9<sup>th</sup> June 2014. English <http://www.thirdsectorcarms.org.uk/chcrep/http://www.thirdsectorcarms.org.uk/chcrep>
- b) One Voice Wales – Training, 6<sup>th</sup> June on Community Engagement Part 11 (Tools and Techniques)
- c) One Voice Wales – Agenda for County Liaison Forum, 20<sup>th</sup> May 2014.
- d) SLCC – Conference for Wales, 4<sup>th</sup> June
- e) OVW – IT training reminder – 10<sup>th</sup> June
- f) OVW – Making Effective Grant applications reminder @ Llanelli Town Council 10<sup>th</sup> June
- g) OVW – Health & Safety training reminder @ Swansea, 9<sup>th</sup> June
- h) OVW - Local Government Finance Training at Three Crosses Community Centre, Dunvant Road, Swansea on Thursday 5th June.
- i) OVW - Community Planning training in St Peters Civic Hall, Nott Square, Carmarthen on Wednesday 4th June
- j) OVW – Training Reminder. The Council Meeting at Llanelli Town Council, The Old Vicarage, Town Hall Square, Llanelli, SA15 3DD on Wednesday 28th May.
- k) OVW - Diverse Cymru - May 29th Event - held by CAVS
- l) OVW – Reminder. training course Use of It, Website & Social Media Training at **Civic Centre, Oystermouth Road, Swansea. SA1 3SN** on Monday 2nd June 2014.

All the above correspondence was noted & No further action required.

### **133/14: ROAD MAINTENANCE**

- a. 107/13d: Overhanging trees between Y Mans and Sgwar Pantycelyn, Capel Isaac – Some work has been done. **To be reviewed at next meeting.**
- b. 100/14c: Street Lighting between Hall Plot & Ael Y Bryn – **To be reviewed at next meeting.**
- c. 88/14d: Clearing ditches – Gwaelod y Maes. County Cllr. Mansel Charles informed the council the problem is due to debris being washed to the gully by rain. CCC have agreed to change the 450mm gully to a larger 600mm gully, but it was considered that this may still cause problems. **To be reviewed at next meeting.**
- d. 88/14f: Road sign at Ty Newydd – Work has been done. No further action required.
- e. 88/14g: Subsidence at Llwyncelyn Square and Bailey Bedw, Abergorlech. Concrete edge support provided to the road, in May. No further action required.
- f. Overhanging trees & Subsidence at Pantmawr, Llanfynydd, and along the Llanfynydd to Abergorlech road – There is an overhanging tree near a crash barrier and on Panthowell land, Llanfynydd. The owner has been approached by CCC and has agreed to make an inspection but, to date, has not reported back to CCC. County Councillor Mansel Charles agreed to look into the matter and Cllr. Peter Law requested a copy of correspondence relating to this case. The clerk to arrange. **To be reviewed at next meeting.**
- g. Blocked drain between Dyffryn Isaf & Uchaf, Llanfynydd – Work has been completed. No further action required.
- h. Blocked drain at Brisken Square, Llanfynydd, along the Cwmdu road - Work has been completed. No further action required.

- i. Pot Holes at Pant Mawr, Bryn yr Eglwys & also on the road into the forestry – County Cllr. Mansel Charles has reported to CCC. **To be reviewed at next meeting.**
- j. Running Water on the road from Rock House – County Cllr. Mansel Charles has reported to CCC & they have arranged an inspection. **To be reviewed at next meeting.**
- k. Cones by the roadside near Pantglas/Penlan and near Pantgwyrd/Anthowell – Cllr. Charles is to follow this up.

**134/14: PLANNING**

- a. E/29992, Replacement polytunnel for agricultural purposes at Rheol, Capel Isaac, Mr. M Jarvis. – Granted.
- b. E/29921, Conversion of former agricultural outbuilding to residential annexe at Rheol, Capel Isaac, Mr. M Jarvis – Refused.
- c. 122/14.d.E/30097 Cathilas Farm, Abergorlech - Existing dwelling had adjacent outbuilding which has been converted into residential use ancillary to the main dwelling, Mr. Bernard Gulley. **To be reviewed next month.**

**135/14: FINANCE**

- a. **90/14b - Change of signatory** - Cllr. Peter Law is to call into Lloyds with his ID.
- b. **90/14e – Nat West maintaining Accurate Customer Information. To Review next month.**
- c. **112/14 e. Spite Vestry** - Cllr. Meirion Jones has not yet received an invoice for the hire of in March 2014. **To Review next month.**
- d. **Annual Audit** – Tina Giddings has completed the internal audit. The accounts had been presented to the council for approval at the AGM before been sent to BDO Hayward. The council accepted the internal audit. The clerk is preparing for the external audit.
- e. **Anwen Jones** - A cheque of £50 was issued to replace cheque no.606 which hadn't been cashed.
- f. **PINC** – An invoice was presented by Cllr. Meirion Jones for £25 which was for flowers for the outgoing clerk. The cheque was issued from the Chairmans account.
- g. **LVS** – The balance of the Chairmans account of £36.25 was donated to the newly formed Llanfynydd Steering Group
- h. The clerk presented an Invoice for wages for March, April & May & expenses for the relevant period, but due to lack of time cheques are to be issued next month. The current going rate for mileage was agreed to be paid to the clerk for any travelling expenses incurred.

**136/14: GRANT AID**

The council had received a list of applications at the AGM, but lack of time meant that it could not be completed until this month.

Cllr. Mairwen Rees declared an interest in Cylch Meithrin Cwrt Henri, and took no part in the discussion.

Cllrs. Mairwen Rees, Brian Thomas & David Jones all declared an interest in Amor Chapel Sunday School, and took no part in the discussion.

The council resolved to make the following grants:

Cylch Meithrin a Ti a Fi Cwrt Henri - £50

Y Lloffwr - £50

Amor Chapel Sunday School - £100

All cheques were prepared & signed accordingly.

**137/14: HALL PLOT**

- a. It was noted that the Hall plot is looking well.

- b. LVS sent a letter proposing that they undertake the entire annual maintenance schedule in return for a donation of £280 from the community council. Cllr. David Jones volunteered to do June maintenance. Cllr. Lee Strudwick volunteered to do July maintenance. LVS have volunteered to do August maintenance. Cllr. Mairwen Rees volunteered to do September maintenance. It was agreed that the maintenance of the Hall Plot will at present continue to be on a voluntary basis, but will be reviewed in the future. The clerk is to inform LVS & thank them for their continuous support in maintaining the Hall Plot.
- c. It was noted that the plot needed additional bark. The clerk is to get a price from Cwm Environmental & report to the Chair.
- d. Litter Picker – The clerk organised & collected a litter Picker from CCC. It was given to Cllr. David Jones to keep in his garage for the public to use when they are cleaning up.

**138/14: ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- a. 125/14b: Cllr. Dewi George deceased – A cheque was made payable to Cancer Research of £25 in his honour.
- b. 125/14c: It was agreed by all councillors that the meetings would change to the first Monday of the month, starting in September.
- c. Some of the members of the newly formed steering group for the “Community Space” project attended the meeting. **Chairman Cllr. Lee Strudwick opened the meeting.** The group informed the council their intention was to acquire funding to purchase a premises for the community such as the Pen Y Bont, Llanfynydd School or to site a building on the Old Hall Plot, but their initial aim was to apply for a national lottery grant which would pay for surveyors & a feasibility study. The group stated their intention to do a local survey in order to establish what it is that the community require & asked the council for their support. County Cllr. Charles suggested the group take a look at the Brechfa questionnaire & it was also suggested that the questionnaire be in both Welsh & English. The council were given the opportunity to add any questions they felt would be relevant. The group would present the form by the next meeting for inspection by councilors. The steering group informed the council that they are affiliated with the LVS.
- d. It was noted that Llanfynydd School is to officially close. It was agreed that the Council would continue to meet in the school for as long as possible.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was resolved that the next meeting of Llanfynydd Community Council would be held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2014 at Llanfynydd school at 8.00pm.

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