

# Clerk's Report June 2022



**Llanon Community Council**  
**13<sup>th</sup> June 2022**  
**Clare Hope**

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**1. Correspondence**

E-mail received from RBL Ammanford & Cross Hands Branch thanking the council for the commemorative flower beds and reception.

E-mail received from Lesley Williams on behalf of the local fundraising group for the Urdd National Eisteddfod, thanking the council for its generous donation.

E-mail received from Hazel Rathbone requesting to know why part of Singleton Park was dug up in April. I sent a reply explaining it was because we had to plant wildflower seeds. Mrs Rathbone is concerned that there were already a lot of beautiful flowers on the site including orchids. I'm informed by Walford and Roger that this was the site agreed when the former Clerk was still in post so that is why they dug up the area. I have apologised to Mrs Rathbone. I would suggest that any future works are discussed by the Environment Committee first.

Cllr Dot Jones put me in touch with a resident that was promised a memorial bench in Tumble Cemetery by the former Clerk. I have contacted the resident and am awaiting his return regarding the purchase of the bench.

E-mail received from Cllr Lesley Williams who has successfully applied for a community tree pack on behalf of the council. The pack will contain 105 medium year-round colour sapling and 105 wild harvest saplings and will be delivered later on in the year.

Mrs Jones who lives in Tyisha Road has spoken to me about the untidy land and former chapel/hall on Tyisha Road. Mrs Jones has been in correspondence with the County Council since 2018 to try and get the site cleared up as there is also an infestation of rats there. Previous complaints have been investigated by CCC who have not pursued the issue as the land is unregistered. Planning have now opened a further investigation. I will report further when I have more information.

Cllr Dot Jones forwarded correspondence from Stacey Stone who has concerns regarding the lack of children's facilities in Cross Hands. I have replied to Ms Stone advising the council is currently making plans to invest in Cross Hands Park.

Cllr Dot Jones sent me a link regarding the following funding opportunity with Great Western Railway. If any councillors have any project ideas then please let me know. The closing date is 27<sup>th</sup> June 2022: [CommunityInvestmentBid 2022.pdf](#)

**2. E-mail addresses & contact details on website**

All councillors now have council email addresses and this is the only way council business should be communicated going forward. I have put all of your names on the website but home addresses and phone numbers have been removed. I will also be scanning the declarations of interest, attendance record and training record next week.



### **8. Cross Hands Ten Towns**

As per my recent email we have been successful in our application for £10k Revenue Funding to develop a Cross Hands app. The successful company have been notified and work will commence shortly.

### **9. RBL Centenary**

Walford & Roger built beautiful flower beds at the Cross Hands Memorial. The plants were supplied free of charge by Wrenvale Landscapes and Nurseries. There was a short service at the memorial where I spoke on behalf of the council and thanked the RBL for their hard work. The service was followed by a reception in Cross Hands Workingmen's Club who provided the venue free of charge.



### **10. Hanging Baskets**

Have been purchased and have been put up around the villages, my husband volunteered and helped Roger to put them up.

### **11. Benches**

As Fairtrade Llanelli has dissolved and the council had previously expressed an interest in friendship benches, I have ordered three of these benches from The Men's Shed. We can paint them in our own designs so I think it might be nice to ask some local art students to become involved with this.



## **12. Brushcutters**

We have had to purchase three new brushcutters and have had to buy parts for one of the push mowers. Quotes for a new John Deere will be discussed in June's meeting.

## **13. Funding Opportunities**

I have spoken with the community bureau and these would appear to be perfect funds to access for the re-development of Tumble Park Changing Rooms and Cross Hands. We are investigating this further and I will report back to you when I have further information.

### **UK Shared Prosperity Fund**

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The UKSPF will support the UK government's wider commitment to level up all parts of the UK by delivering on each of the levelling up objectives:

- Boost productivity, pay, jobs and living standards by growing the private sector, especially in those places where they are lagging
- Spread opportunities and improve public services, especially in those places where they are weakest
- Restore a sense of community, local pride and belonging, especially in those places where they have been lost
- Empower local leaders and communities, especially in those places lacking local agency

### **Community Ownership Fund**

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– Helps fund community groups buy or renovate assets that would otherwise be lost to the community, such as:

community centres  
cinemas and theatres  
galleries  
museums  
music venues  
parks  
post office buildings  
pubs  
shops  
sporting and leisure facilities

Some of the ways an asset might be lost include that it:  
might be closed  
might be sold  
is being neglected



is at risk of damage or collapse  
is not being operated in a sustainable way  
The asset must offer value to local people. You must be able to run it sustainably for the long term.

#### **14. TFF Grant**

We have received 50% of Canvas' fees back from the TFF Funding.

#### **15. Tumble Hall**

There has been the requirement to update many parts of the hall to adhere to the Fire Risk Assessment, Health & Safety and security of the building and its users.

- Emergency lighting has been updated
- Windows in the office have been changed to be compliant
- Windows in conference room have been repaired
- New fire door has been put on the cellar
- New fire extinguishers and signs have been purchased where needed
- CCTV has been upgraded to cover the library, cellar, either side of the stage stairs and the rear of the hall. Existing cameras have been updated.
- We are still trying to get another quote to replace the fire panel.
- Siddels attended to fix a blockage in the drain that runs at the rear of the hall.
- There is a water leak somewhere which has been investigated by Dwr Cymru and the plumber. A timer will be put on the urinal tanks to see if that helps.
- The kitchen has been deep cleaned and following this a leak was found which we think has been there for a long time. This has now been fixed by Walford and the plumber.
- Sound system needs to be updated, I am currently looking at quotations.
- We need to purchase more event seating which I will bring to the Hall Committee. I have looked at retractable seating but this is in the region of £100k and we would lose space.
- A number of tiles came off the roof, so repairs have been carried out.
- Wifi is now throughout the building.
- The hall lights work from a switch at the front of the hall.
- We have electricity sockets at the rear outside of the hall to use for outdoor events.

As we are now running events again, the bar has been extended and has been fully re-stocked. Molson Coors put new beer lines in for us free of charge. The cooling system needed to be repaired and the card machine has been updated, Myself and Wendi have been working most of the bar shifts with some casual help. I have not claimed any additional time or wages for the hours that I have worked behind the bar.

In addition to the craft fayre and monthly market, we have had Welsh Wrestling a wedding, two funeral wakes, numerous children's parties, Country & Western Night

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and three entertainment events, Ceri Dupree, Peter Karrie and a Freddie Mercury Tribute night. I'm delighted to say that Bronwen Lewis is performing with us on 21<sup>st</sup> October and 270 tickets have been sold to date!

The Hall is being used by Hywel Dda, The Wallich for mediation, as a Polling Station and Foot Care. LINKS also support veterans on a monthly basis.

Young Carers used the hall during half-term to hold two events.

We have received quotes to paint the outside of the hall which will be discussed in June's meeting.

We are currently renting the kitchen to a private catering company and charging them an hourly rate. They are also paying for the gas bottles used.

### **Future Events**

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July – Country & Western Night  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – Country & Western Night  
Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2022 – James Williams Showman  
Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September – Eisteddfod Y Tymbl  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October – Bronwen Lewis  
Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November – The Valli Boys  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December – Welsh Wrestling  
Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December – West End to You  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> December – Dick Whittington Pantomime

To help with branding, I have designed a new logo for the hall which I have in different formats and colours:



We now have over 800 people following the Facebook page

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**Hall Timetable**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
4.30 – 7.30pm <b>The Performance Factory</b>		<b>Heart Clinic</b> (All day)	1.30-3.30pm <b>Line Dancing</b>	
8-9pm <b>Zumba</b>		7.30-8.30pm <b>Zumba</b>	6pm-8pm <b>Turn'd Up Fitness with Sian</b>	
	<b>Cyfle I Bawb</b> (Fortnightly)	<b>LINKS</b> (Monthly)		
	<b>Merched Y Wawr</b> (Monthly)			
	<b>Foot Clinic</b> (Every six weeks)			

**16. Members of Outside Bodies**

Name of Outside Body	Cllr	Cllr
<b>One Voice Wales Carmarthenshire Area Committee</b>	<b>Lesley Williams</b>	
<b>One Voice Wales Larger Council Committee</b>	<b>Emlyn Dole</b>	
<b>Gwendraeth Group of local Councils</b>	<b>Emyr Gwyn Evans</b>	
<b>Carmarthenshire Liaison Forum</b>	<b>Lesley Williams</b>	<b>Emyr Gwyn Evans</b>
<b>Tumble Family Centre</b>	<b>Julie Owen</b>	<b>Sarah Stewart</b>
<b>Cross Hands Public Hall Management Committee</b>	<b>Christopher Davies</b>	



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**17. Llannon Community Council Committees 2022/23**

Committee	No.	Cllr	Cllr	Cllr	Cllr	Cllr
Finance	5	Lesley Williams	Llinos Davies	Emyr Gwyn Evans	Ruth Davies	Michael Jones
Personnel	5	Lesley Williams	Rhys Jones	Emyr Gwyn Evans	Emlyn Dole	Michael Jones
Appeals	5	Julie Owen	Sarah Stewart	Nigel Thomas	Llinos Davies	Christopher Bowkett
Risk Assessment	3	Michael Jones	Julie Owen	Phil Owen	N/A	N/A
Policy Review	4	Lesley Williams	Julie Owen	Emlyn Dole	Ruth Davies	N/A
Hall	5	Rhys Jones	Dot Jones	Christopher Davies	Llinos Davies	Emyr Gwyn Evans
Environment	5	Lesley Williams	Ruth Davies	Emyr Gwyn Evans	Christopher Davies	Llinos Davies

**18. Full Council Meeting Dates**

2022 June 15<sup>th</sup> July 20<sup>th</sup> September 15<sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> October 20<sup>th</sup> November  
2023 January 19<sup>th</sup> February 15<sup>th</sup> March 15<sup>th</sup> April 19<sup>th</sup>

**EGM to be held on 27<sup>th</sup> July**

**19. Committee Meeting Dates**

Finance	June (EGM)	Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct 6pm	Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan 6pm	Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> Apr 6pm				
Personnel	Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> Jul 6pm	Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept 6pm	Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec 6pm	Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> March 6pm				
Risk Assessment Workshops	Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept 10-12pm	Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Nov 10-12pm	Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan 10-12pm	Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Apr 10-12pm				
Policy Review Workshops	Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 10-2pm	Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> Sept 10-2pm	Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct 10-2pm	Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov 10-2pm	Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec 10-2pm	Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Jan 10-2pm	Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> Feb 10-2pm	Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> Mar 10-2pm
Hall	Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> July 7.30pm	Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> Sept 6pm	Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec 6pm	Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> March 6pm				

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<b>Environment</b>	Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> Jul 6pm	Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct 6pm	Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov 6pm	Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Feb 6pm	Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> March 6pm			
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***Please note additional meetings maybe called at any time with three clear days' notice provided.***

I will also send this out as a separate document.