CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANNON COMMUNITY COUNCIL



Minutes of Extraordinary Meeting of Llannon Community Council on Wednesday 10th August 2022, 6.30pm Held remotely via Zoom

Meeting commenced at 6:33pm

The Chair, Cllr. Lesley Williams, presided over the meeting.

Also present: Mrs Clare Hope – Clerk

Translator: Mr Hefin Jones

Minutes taken via Zoom recording by: Mrs Wendi Freeman

Minute No. 77 - Members Present

Cllr. L Williams (LW) Cllr. M Jones (MJ)

Cllr. C Davies (CD) (Arrived Late)

Cllr. N Thomas (NT)

Cllr. E.G Evans (EGE)

Cllr. R Lloyd-Davies (RD)

Cllr. J Owen (JO)

Cllr. L Davies (LD) (Arrived Late)

Cllr. P Owen (PO)

Cllr. R Jones (RJ)

Cllr. D Jones (DJ) (Arrived Late)

Minute No. 78 - Apologies and reasons for absence.

Cllr. S Stewart – Family Commitments

Minute No.79 - Declarations of interest

Cllr. Ruth Lloyd-Davies – Committee Member of Cyfeillion y Coetir and Keep Mynydd Mawr Tidy

Cllr. Julie Owen - Married to Cllr. Phil Owen

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Cllr. Emyr Gwyn Evans - Member of Keep Mynydd Mawr Tidy

Cllr. Lesley Williams - Member of Keep Mynydd Mawr Tidy

Cllr. Rhys Jones – Son of Cllr. Dot Jones

Minute No.80 - Public participation.

No members of the public were present.

Minute No.81 - To ratify the following Council Policies & Procedures:

The Clerk advised the Council that the Policy Review Committee had met twice recently and had prepared the draft documents circulated to the council.

a) Standing Orders

NT Proposed the members ratify the draft Standing Orders presented

EGE - Seconded

Cllr. D Jones joined the meeting at 18:36

DJ – abstained as missed prior discussion

All other members in favour.

Resolved – Standing Orders as presented ratified.

b) Members' Code of Conduct

EGE proposed the members ratify the Members Code of Conduct presented

PO - Seconded

All members present in favour

Resolved – Members Code of Conduct Policy ratified.

c) Employees' Code of Conduct

NT Proposed the members ratify the Employees' Code of Conduct presented

EGE - Seconded

All members present in favour

Resolved - Employees' Code of Conduct ratified

d) Appraisal Scheme

PO Proposed to ratify the Appraisal Scheme presented

NT- Seconded

All members present favour

Resolved - Appraisal Scheme ratified

e) Community Engagement Policy

PO Proposed to ratify the Community Engagement Policy presented

EGE - Seconded

All members present in favour

Resolved - Community Engagement Policy ratified

f) Procedure for Councillors and Members of the Public

Cllr. D Jones objected to the wording in the policy, with concerns it will prohibit her role as a Councillor.

The chair suggested the policy was taken back to the Policy Review Committee to review.

PO Proposed the policy is returned to the Policy Review Committee for review

NT- Seconded

Members present in favour.

Cllr. D Jones Voted Against.

Resolved - To return the policy to the Policy Review Committee for review.

Cllrs. C.Davies & L Davies joined the meeting at 18:59

g) Freedom of Information Publication Scheme

PO Proposed the members ratify the Freedom of Information Publication Scheme presented

NT - Seconded

All members present in favour

Resolved- Freedom of Information Publication Scheme ratified

Cllrs. C.Davies & L Davies left the meeting at 19.05

Minute No.82 - Financial matters:

a) Receive a report for the first quarter of the financial year 2022-23.

The clerk referred to the up to date working budget sent to the council.

Account balances:

Council: £34,302.23

Hall: £4655.43

Precept: £38,634.56 – next precept payment due end of August

Reserve: £188,710.34

Up to end of July, council spend was £154,000. Spend against budget is fine.

VAT re-claim to be carried out in September

Hall should generate more income from September

Full financial report will be presented following finance committee meeting.

a) To consider any virements as necessary.

The clerk suggested moving money from Parc Y Mynydd Mawr budgets as the maintenance budget was tight and recommended moving £5k to line 75 of the 22-23 budget.

£5000 from changing rooms budget to be split - £3000 to maintenance and £2000 to equipment budget.

PO Proposed the members agree with the clerk's suggestion

RD - Seconded

All members present in favour

Resolved - to agree the proposed virement.

c) To ratify payments made in the first quarter of the financial year 2022-23.

Adjourned to the next meeting.

d) To agree direct debit payments for the financial year 2022-23.

The clerk gave a verbal report of existing direct debits for Llannon Community Council and Tumble Hall:

Council

One & One Internet
123 Reg
AMS Tracking
CCC
Cwm
DVLA
Dwr Cymru
ICO
John Deere
Screwfix
Swalec

Tumble Hall

British Gas BT Castell Howell Charlie's Dwr Cymru Star Multifuels TV Licence Worldpay

EGE Proposed to continue the direct debits for the year.

RD - Seconded

All members present in favour.

Resolved – to continue the direct debits for the year.

Minute No. 83 - To discuss the following planning applications:

a) PL/03760 Planning Application: PL/03760

No Comments noted

b) PL/04391 Planning Application: PL/04391

No comments noted

c) PL/04337 Planning Application: PL/04337

Residents have concerns over parts of the land, a letter from the community council to be submitted supporting the residents' concerns.

d) PL/04434 Planning Application: PL/04434

No comments noted

Minute No.84 - To receive an update on the Cross Hands Ten Towns Project.

Carmarthenshire County Council Growth Panel have met and agreed the proposed idea of the "Bikeability Project". The County Council are happy to consider the old changing rooms in Cross Hands Park. This project will make way for the changing rooms to be converted into public toilets, tuck shop, seating and bike storage.

Cllr. D.Jones said that some of the businesses in Cross Hands have asked for a meeting with her, as they are unhappy with the idea, and feel that everything is for the national companies in the area and not the independent traders.

An expression of interest needed to be submitted by 17th August 2022

RD Proposed the Community Council supports the use of the old changing rooms.

PO - Seconded

Cllr. D Jones and Cllr. R Jones abstained

Remaining members present in favour.

Resolved – To use the old changing rooms at Cross Hands for the Bikeability <u>Project.</u>

The Clerk will discuss business concerns with the project officer.

Minute No. 85 - To receive an update from the Personnel committee regarding the recent recruitment process.

Mrs Wendi Freeman left the meeting

- The Clerk advised that as previously agreed, positions had been advertised.
- Appointments Committee agreed by Personnel Committee to interview, appoint and agree salary point
- Interviews for three of them have taken place:

Deputy Clerk

- Position advertised on Council website, social media; One Voice Wales website; SLCC website; Indeed and Job Centre.
- 8 people requested application packs; 2 applications received.
- 1 applicant put through to interview
- Interview took place on Tuesday 9th August 2022.

- Appointments Committee: Major Ken Burton (independent); Cllr. Michael Jones; Cllr. Ruth Lloyd-Davies
- Agreed unanimously to offer the position to Ms Ffion Lewis, 24 hours per week. SCP 26.

Property & Facilities Officer

- Position advertised on Council website; social media; One Voice Wales website; SLCC website; Indeed and Job Centre.
- 8 people requested application packs; 1 application received.
- 1 applicant put through to interview
- Interview took place on Tuesday 9th August 2022.
- Appointments Committee: Major Ken Burton; Cllr Lesley Williams; Cllr. Michael Jones
- Position offered to Mr Paul Murray, 16 hours per week. SCP 23.

Facilities & Administration Assistant

- Position advertised on Council website; social media; One Voice Wales website; SLCC website; Indeed and Job Centre.
- 8 people requested application packs; 1 application received.
- 1 applicant put through to interview
- Interview took place on Tuesday 9th August 2022.
- Appointments Committee: Major Ken Burton; Cllr Lesley Williams; Cllr. Michael Jones
- Position offered to Mrs Wendi Freeman, 20 hours per week. SCP 10.

Hospitality Manager

No suitable applications received, agreed to re-advertise making the ability to communicate in Welsh desirable, not essential.

Meeting ended at 19:44 pm

Signed	Date
Chairman	