

# Cyngor Cymuned Llannon Community Council



## **Minutes of Full Council Meeting of Llannon Community Council**

**on**

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 6.30pm**

**Held remotely via Zoom**

**Meeting commenced at 6:32pm**

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

### **Minute No. 105 – Members Present**

Cllr. L. Williams (LW)  
Cllr. R. Jones (RJ)  
Cllr. E. G. Evans (EGE)  
Cllr. D. Jones (DJ)  
Cllr. Ll. Davies (LD)  
Cllr. R. Lloyd-Davies (RD)  
Cllr. S. Stewart (SS)  
Cllr. J. Owen (JO)  
Cllr. P. Owen (PO)  
Cllr. C. Davies (CD)  
Cllr. M Jones (MJ)  
Cllr. C. Bowkett (CB)

### **Also Present:**

Mrs. C. Hope – Clerk (CH)  
Miss. Ff. Lewis – Deputy Clerk (FL)  
Mr. H. Jones – Translator (HJ)

### **Minute No. 106 - Apologies and reasons for absence.**

Cllr. N. Thomas – on holiday.

### **Minute No. 107 - Declarations of interest**

RD – Committee Member of Cyfeillion y Coetir

JO - Married to P.O.

PO - Married to J.O.

EGE - Member of Keep Mynydd Mawr Tidy.

LW - Member of Keep Mynydd Mawr Tidy.

RJ – Son of DJ.

DJ – Mother of RJ, member of Carmarthenshire County Council, Governor at Tumble School.

SS – Governor at Penygroes School.

LD – Married to CD, Member of Carmarthenshire County Council.

CD – Married to LD, Governor of Llannon School

### **Minute No. 108 – To consider Policing matters.**

The Clerk informed the Council that the next meeting with the Police is due to take place on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2022. She also informed the Council of their messenger service called “Llais”. This service can be used to report incidents and raise enquiries to the Police.

### **Minute No. 109 – Verification and confirmation of minutes.**

**Resolved** that the following minutes of the Community Council (prints of which having been previously circulated to members) be taken as read, and the same are hereby verified, received and confirmed by all respectively:

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

### **Minute No. 110 – Matters arising from the minutes.**

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

### **Minute No. 111 - Public participation.**

No members of the public were present.

## **Minute No. 112 – To receive a report from the Clerk.**

A full report was given to all members by the Clerk.

The Clerk reported to the Council on the following matters:

- A thank you letter has been received from Cyfeillion.
- The Clerk is now the secretary for the SLCC West Wales branch and FL is the treasurer.
- Networking event held at Cross Hands was a great success. The local business involved were very pleased and are looking forward to working alongside the Council.
- The two, new containers are to be delivered on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2022.
- The new John Deere ride on mower will be delivered on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2022.
- The Van has been ordered but she is currently awaiting documents before it is released to the Council.
- The Defib pads outside Tumble Hall have been replaced.
- The Gwendraeth Valley Rotary Club have expressed an interest with volunteering. They will be helping with painting Y Cwtsh and distributing leaflets.
- After reporting the maintenance issues of the Cylch Meithrin Llechyfedach to CCC, it has come to light that LICC own the building. The Clerk is looking into this and will report back to Council when there is further development on this matter.
- The Clerk is part of the Circular Economy programme and will be attending monthly meetings.
- The Clerk is looking into the new lease plan for Cross Hands Park.
- Currently waiting for two quotes for the play equipment at Cross Hands Park.
- The Bowls Committee have apologised to the Council for the incident that was reported by a member of the public. The Clerk will be meeting with the family in question to express their apologies.
- The hedge surrounding the bowling green has been cut.
- The Clerk has reported the issues regarding the play equipment at Tumble playground to the company. The Clerk is currently waiting for a response.
- The damage made at Tumble memorial will be fixed ready for Remembrance Sunday.

- The Clerk circulated the rules for Y Cwtsh to all members prior to the meeting via email. In order for the Clerk to be able to apply for the poverty fund a set of rules need to be presented.

*JO proposed that the Council accept the set of rules for Y Cwtsh. SS seconded the proposal. RJ, CB and DJ abstained from voting. Remaining members present in favour.*

**Resolved** to accept the set of rules for Y Cwtsh previously circulated by the Clerk.

- The following have kindly donated to Y Cwtsh:
  - Dewi Sant (food donation)
  - Cllr. S. Stewart
  - Cllr. Ll. Davies and Cllr. C. Davies
  - Castell Howell (£1000 of food)
- A new boiler has been installed, kitchen completed, and new doors/windows fitted at Y Cwtsh.
- The Clerk is hopeful that Y Cwtsh will be ready for opening on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022. The opening hours will be Monday, Wednesday and Friday between 10.00a.m. and 2.00p.m. which will be reviewed regularly. Leaflets will be distributed to members of the community within the next week.
- The Clerk has been in contact with CCC and there might be a possibility of lending e-bikes which can then be hired out from Y Cwtsh.
- The Fire Risk Assessment has been completed and returned to the Clerk for the Pavilion. The Clerk is pleased to report that there were no major issues.
- The new chairs have been delivered to Tumble Hall and the old ones donated.
- Bronwen Lewis will be appearing at Tumble Hall on the 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> of October 2022.
- The Funeral and Wedding held at the Hall was a great success. In the future the Clerk will be looking at outside caterers for large events.
- There are new lights outside Tumble Hall.
- The Clerk recommended to the Council that the Hall Committee will need to look at the current budget for the oil due to the increase in price.
- Cross Hands PTA have booked a Halloween party at Tumble Hall.
- Gareg Llwyd have booked Tumble Hall for a Christmas party and are looking at setting up a youth club.

- The vent in the kitchen has been fitted and stoves re-commissioned.
- DBS checks are currently in progress for all members of staff.
- The Cross Hands Action Team have been in contact with the Clerk. They have requested use of Cross Hands Park for the carnival on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2023. The Clerk advised there is a new Chair, Mr Sutherland and they seem keen to run the event properly going forward. The Clerk has requested further information from them and will report back when received.

**Minute No. 113 - To discuss the following planning applications:**

**a) PL/04761 Planning Application: PL/04761.**

*Modification of section 106 agreement S/24486 and S/24486 (modification to reduce the number of affordable units from 8no. to 4no. (designed to DQR standard) plus a £11,000 commuted sum in lieu). Land adjoining Fountain Road, Llannon, Llanelli.*

The Councillors expressed their concerns with regards to the reduction in affordable housing from 8 to 4. DJ has contacted CCC for clarification on the reduction and is currently waiting for further correspondence.

*DJ proposed that LICC set up a Planning Committee. PO seconded the proposal. All members present in favour.*

**Resolved** to set up a Planning Committee.

**b) PL/04777 Planning Application: PL/04777.**

*Creation of secure storage compound at the rear of Cross Hands Telephone Exchange. The compound is to contain materials and equipment to support the expansion of the local telecoms infrastructure network. The Government has set a target to connect a minimum of 85% of premises to gigabit-capable coverage by 2025. The development in conjunction with other sites allows BT to deploy teams of engineers across the country in a relatively short period of time. The sites can be set up and closed containers removed without any significant impact to the overall site and area.*

*Pontardulais Road, Rear yard of the Telephone Exchange, Cross Hands, Llanelli, SA14 6NT.*

No comments noted.

**c) PL/04796 Planning Application: PL/04796.**

*Moving of Topsoil.*

No comments noted.

**Minute No. 114 – To discuss a request for financial assistance from Eisteddfod Y Tymbl.**

*JO proposed that the Council donate £300 providing that the Eisteddfod produce a copy of their accounts. CD seconded the proposal. All members present in favour.*

**Resolved** to donate £300 to Eisteddfod Y Tymbl.

*DJ proposed that the Council look at the different types of support that can be provided in the future. RD seconded the proposal. MJ abstained from voting. All remaining members present in favour.*

**Resolved** to look at the different types of support that the Council could provide Eisteddfod Y Tymbl in the future.

**Minute No. 115 – To receive Councillor's reports.**

*DJ proposed to remove this item from future agendas. JO seconded the proposal. All members present in favour.*

**Resolved** to remove this item from the agenda in the future.

**Minute No. 116 – Reports from County Councillors.**

A report from LD and DJ was previously circulated to all members by the Clerk via email.

***7.44 p.m. Cllr. C. Bowkett left the meeting and did not return.***

*SS proposed that this agenda item should read “County matters to be brought to the attention of the Community Council either verbally or written” in the future. PO seconded the proposal. DJ and RJ were against the proposal. All remaining members present in favour.*

*DJ proposed the following amendment to the above proposal to state, “To receive a verbal report from County Councillors”. RJ seconded the proposal. RD, PO and SS abstained from voting. All remaining members present against.*

**Resolved** to change this item on the agenda to read “County matters to be brought to the attention of the Community Council either verbally or written”.

**8.08 p.m. Mr. H. Jones left the meeting and did not return.**

**Minute No. 117 – Personnel Matters.**

**a) Messages received by members of the Council from a member of the public.**

The Clerk advised the Council that any future unreasonable messages sent to Councillors from members of the public need to be sent to the Clerk so that a decision can be made whether legal action needs to take place.

**b) Probation salary review for two of the groundsmen.**

The Clerk informed the Council that the probation period for two of the groundsmen (SR & LF) has ended. The Clerk recommended that the two in question are paid at NALC scale level 7 which has already been included in this year’s budget. All salaries will be reviewed next financial year.

*PO proposed that that the Council agree that the staff in question have passed their probation period and are to be paid the NALC scale level 7 in the future. EGE seconded the proposal. All members present in favour.*

**Resolved** that the two groundsmen have passed their probation period and are to be paid at the NALC scale level 7.

**c) Cleaner.**

The Clerk announced to the Council that a new cleaner has been appointed (PG) and is due to start this week with the approval of the Council.

*JO proposed that the Council accept the Clerk's recommendation for the new cleaner and to appoint said person. PO seconded the proposal. All members present in favour.*

**Resolved** to appoint the new cleaner effective immediately.

***Meeting ended at 8.32 pm***

**Signed** .....

**Date** .....