

Cyngor Cymuned Llannon Community Council



Minutes of the Extraordinary General Meeting of Llannon Community Council

on

Wednesday 24th May 2023 at 6.30pm

Held remotely via Zoom

Meeting commenced at 6:30pm

The Vice-Chair, Cllr. Julie Owen presided over the meeting.

Minute No. 233 – Members Present.

Cllr. J. Owen (JO)
Cllr. Ll. Davies (LD)
Cllr. R. Lloyd-Davies (RD)
Cllr. P. Owen (PO)
Cllr. C. Davies (CD)
Cllr. J. Anderson (JA)
Cllr. S. Eldridge (SE)
Cllr. S. Stewart (SS)

Also Present:

Mrs. C. Hope – Clerk (CH)
Mrs. Ff. Lewis – Deputy Clerk (FL)

Minute No. 234 - Apologies and reasons for absence.

Cllr. G. Jones – Work commitments.
Cllr. M. Jones – Other commitments.

Minute No. 235 - Declarations of interest.

There were no new declarations of interest.

The Clerk asked the Chair and the Council to proceed to item 5 on the agenda to allow time for Cllr. D. Jones to be able to join the meeting. All Councillors present agreed.

Minute No. 236 – Financial Matters.

a) Ratify the Council Account Cashbook for April 2023.

The Clerk previously circulated the Council Account Cashbook for April 2023 to all Councillors via email. There were no questions raised from the Councillors present.

RD proposed to ratify the Council Account Cashbook for April 2023. LD seconded the proposal. All in favour

Resolved that the Council Account Cashbook for April 2023 are ratified.

b) Ratify the Hall Account Cashbook for April 2023.

The Clerk previously circulated the Hall Account Cashbook for April 2023 to all Councillors via email.

LD asked the Clerk if the money received from Ticketsource for the Robert Arwyn concert has been paid to Lleisuau'r Cwm? The Clerk informed the Council that the money received from the ticket sales has been paid in May and will appear on the cashbook for May 2023. The reason for the delay in payment was that the Clerk was waiting for their Bank details.

LD proposed to ratify the Hall Account Cashbook for April 2023. RD seconded the proposal. All in favour.

Resolved that the Hall Account Cashbook for April 2023 are ratified.

6.35pm SE joined the meeting.

c) Ratify the Precept Account Cashbook for April 2023.

The Clerk previously circulated the Precept Account Cashbook for April 2023 to all Councillors via email. There were no questions raised by the Councillors present.

LD proposed to ratify the Precept Account Cashbook for April 2023. PO seconded the proposal. All in favour.

Resolved that the Precept Account Cashbook for April 2023 are ratified.

d) Ratify the Reserve Account Cashbook for April 2023.

The Clerk previously circulated the Reserve Account Cashbook for April 2023 to all Councillors via email. There were no questions raised by the Councillors present.

SE proposed to ratify the Reserve Account Cashbook for April 2023. RD seconded the proposal. All in favour.

Resolved that the Reserve Account Cashbook for April 2023 are ratified.

e) Ratify outstanding payments.

The Clerk previously circulated the outstanding bank transfer payments for May 2023 totalling £62158.90 to all Councillors via email. There were no questions raised by Councillors present.

SS proposed that the Council pay the outstanding Bank Transfer payments totalling £62158.90. LD seconded the proposal. All in favour.

Resolved to pay the outstanding Bank Transfer payments totalling £62158.90.

Minute No. 237 – Personnel matters.

The Clerk reported to the Council about the ongoing issues regarding the clothes donation bin at Tumble carpark. The Clerk has been in contact with the officers in CCC on numerous occasions. LICC own the CCTV that looks over the carpark which means, every time CCC need the CCTV footage this has a cost to LICC. LICC don't receive any money from the fines issued, this money goes to CCC.

The Clerk recommended to the Council that they request to have the clothes bins removed. In place of the clothes bins the Clerk suggested that the Council could look at offering a clothes amnesty. This could be done four times a year where residents could bring their unwanted items to Tumble Hall on these dates. The clothes could be categorised appropriately into coats, uniforms and other. The coats and uniforms would be sent to Y Cwtsh, and the other items could be sold at Tumble Hall. All the money raised would then be used to help sustain Y Cwtsh. The Clerk also informed the Council that this project would be classed as a circular economy project. The Council could organise a leaflet drop to inform the residents.

JO informed the Council that the charities that own the clothes bin can not use the clothes that are left outside on the floor. These clothes end up going to landfill sites.

SS asked the Clerk if the money generated from these bins go to outside companies. The Clerk informed the Council that CCC receive an income from these companies to be able to use the land.

PO proposed that the Clerk contacts CCC to ask them to remove the clothes bins from Tumble carpark. JA seconded the proposal. All in favour.

Resolved that the Clerk is to contact CCC to ask them to remove the clothes bins from Tumble carpark.

SE proposed that the Council offer a clothes amnesty drop off as recommended by the Clerk. JA seconded the proposal. All in favour.

Resolved that the Council offer a clothes amnesty drop off as recommended by the Clerk.

Minute No. 238 – Discuss the provision of toilet facilities in Parc Y Mynydd Mawr.

The Clerk informed the Council that she had received emails from Cllr. D. Jones, with the first email received on the 1st of April 2023. In the email it stated that a member of the public had contacted Cllr. D. Jones complaining of people urinating against the hedges in Tumble Park. The Clerk hasn't been able to respond to the complaint as Cllr. D. Jones has reported the resident does not wish to correspond with the Clerk.

The Clerk informed the Council that members of the public can use the toilets at Y Cwtsh when it is open but unfortunately the Council does not have the adequate funding to be able to have Y Cwtsh open seven days a week. The Clerk has looked at the possibility of having portaloos at the site. The Clerk has received three quotes from different companies for a disabled access portaloos. Two companies offered their service at £65 + VAT per week and another one at £80 + VAT. All three companies provided a weekly cleaning service. To fund the portaloos at Tumble Park, the Clerk suggested that Y Cwtsh fund it up until September.

JO asked the Clerk whether the port loo could be placed in view of CCTV to avoid any vandalism. The Clerk informed the Council that this would be possible and that they could put signs stating that there is CCTV.

RD asked the Clerk if the companies wanted a retainer for the portaloos in case of damages and if they didn't need a retainer what would happen in the eventuality of any damages caused? The Clerk informed the Council that the companies did not ask for a retainer and if there were any damages caused resulting in cost to the Council then the Council would need to claim through their insurance.

RD proposed that the Council site a portaloos in Tumble Park next to Y Cwtsh until September. SE seconded the proposal. All in favour.

Resolved to site a portaloos in Tumble Park next to Y Cwtsh until September.

Minute No. 239 – Discuss the provision of toilet facilities in Cross Hands Park.

The Clerk informed the Council that she has received enquiries from members of the public as to whether the Council will be providing toilets at the new Cross Hands playground. Castell Howell has kindly donated £1000 to go towards the new playground, the Clerk recommended that the Council could now use £1000 from the playground budget to cover the costs.

JO asked the Clerk where would be the best place to place the portaloo? The Clerk suggested that the portaloo should go as close to the building as possible in view of the CCTV.

SS asked the Clerk whether the portaloo would be permanently situated in Cross Hands Park, or will it only be there until September? The Clerk suggested that this should be a temporary measure.

JA proposed that the Council site a portaloo in Cross Hands Park near the building, in view of the CCTV, until September. SE seconded the proposal. All in favour.

Resolved that the Council site a portaloo in Cross Hand Park near the building, in view of the CCTV, until September.

The Clerk informed the members of the public present that the next item on the agenda will need to be discussed in camera and asked if they could leave the meeting. The Clerk thanked the members of the public for attending the meeting. The Chair also thanked the members of the public for attending the meeting. All members of the public left the meeting.

Minute No. 240 – Personnel Matters.

The Clerk informed the Council of the resignation of Sean Rees.

The Clerk informed the Council that if the Council were to advertise a further position, then this could end up being a long process, which means that the grass cutting season would have ended by the time the Council employed someone.

The Clerk has spoken to RP, and he has agreed to do the refuse collection. She has also spoken to the other groundsmen, and they are happy to work extra hours, if needed.

The Chair closed the meeting at 7.12pm

Signed

Date

(Chair)