

Cyngor Cymuned Llannon Community Council



Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Llannon Community Council

on

Wednesday 25th October 2023 at 6.30pm

Held remotely via Zoom

Meeting commenced at 6:30pm

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

Minute No. 87 – Members Present.

Cllr. J. Owen (JO)
Cllr. R. Lloyd Davies (RD)
Cllr. P. Owen (PO)
Cllr. N. Thomas (NT)
Cllr. J. Anderson (JA) – arrived at 6.34pm
Cllr. E. G. Evans (EGE)
Cllr. Ll. Davies (LD)
Cllr. C. Davies (CD)
Cllr. S. Eldridge (SE)
Cllr. E. G. Evans (EGE)

Also Present:

Mrs. Ff. Lewis – Deputy Clerk (FL)
Mrs. L. Davies – Welsh Language Interpreter.

Minute No. 88 – Apologies and reasons for absence.

Cllr. M. Jones – Prior engagement.

Cllr. G. Jones sent apologies on behalf of Cllr. D. Jones, Cllr. R. Jones and himself stating that the broadband is poor at their current address.

Minute No. 89 – Declarations of Interests.

There were no new declarations of interests.

Minute No. 90 – Policing Matters.

There were no policing matters to report.

Minute No. 91 – The Chair’s report.

A copy of the Chair’s report was sent previously to all members of the Council via email by the Clerk. There were no questions raised from the members present.

Minute No. 92 – To receive County Councillor’s reports.

Cllr. Ll. Davies sent her report via email to the Clerk who in turn forwarded the report to all Councillor’s via email. The Clerk has not received a report from Cllr. D. Jones.

6.34pm JA joined the meeting.

Minute No. 93 – Public Participation.

There was no Public Participation.

Minute No. 94 – Confirmation of the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting on 27.09.23.

RD proposed that the Council accept these minutes with the following amendments:

Minute No. 86 – to add ‘a convenient store’ after the word build.

NT seconded the proposal. All in favour.

Resolved that the minutes of the Full Council Meeting on 27.09.23 (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.

Minute No. 95 – Confirmation of the minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting on 16.10.23.

SS proposed that these minutes were a true record. RD seconded the proposal. All in favour.

Resolved that the minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting on 16.10.23 (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.

Minute No. 96 – Ratify recommendations made by the Finance Committee.

The Chair reported to the Council on what the Finance Committee discussed, and the decisions made. The following recommendations were made by the Finance Committee:

- **Virements on Receipts side of the Budget**
 - i. Tumble United AFC Fees – change from £2015 to £1410.50 as the Council will not be receiving any more fees from Tumble AFC for this financial year.
 - ii. Footpaths – change from £1500 to £1151.70 as the Council will not receive any more money from the footpaths for this financial year.
 - iii. Allocate the difference of £952.80 (taken from Tumble United AFC Fees and Footpaths) to the Cemetery Fees Budget, increasing that budget to £18952.80.
- **Virements on Payments side of the Budget.**
 - iv. Create a new Budget heading called ‘Community Engagement Budget’. Take £2500 from the Maintenance and Repairs Budget and allocate it to the Community Engagement Budget.
 - v. Create a new Budget heading called ‘Defibrillator Budget’. Take £1549 from the Oil Budget and allocate it to the Defibrillator Budget

SS proposed to accept the recommendations made by the Finance Committee. RD seconded the proposal. All in favour.

Resolved that the recommendations made by the Finance Committee are accepted by the Council.

Minute No. 97 – Receive a Financial Report for the second quarter of 2023-2024.

The Clerk previously circulated the Financial Report for Quarter 2 of the financial year 2023-2024 via email to all members of the Council.

See attached document for details.

Minute No. 98 – Ratify outstanding payments.

The Clerk previously circulated the outstanding bank transfer payments for October 2023 totalling £37944.87 to all Councillors via email.

EGE proposed that the Council pay the outstanding Bank Transfer payments totalling £37944.87. LD seconded the proposal. All in favour.

Resolved to pay the outstanding Bank Transfer payments totalling £37,944.87.

Minute No. 99 – Confirmation of the Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting on 17.10.23.

RD reported to the Council on what the Environment Committee discussed, and the decisions made.

PO proposed that these minutes were a true record. RD seconded the proposal. All in favour.

Resolved that the minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting on 17.10.23 (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.

Minute No. 100 – Confirmation of the Minutes of the Personnel Committee Meeting on 23.10.23.

The Chair and RD reported to the Council on what the Personnel Committee discussed, and the decisions made.

RD proposed that these minutes were a true record. PO seconded the proposal. All in favour.

Resolved that the minutes of the Personnel Committee Meeting on 23.10.23 (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.

Minute No. 101 – Ratify recommendations made by the Personnel Committee.

The following recommendations were made by the Personnel Committee:

- Temporary Y Cwtsh Manager's hours to be increased to 25 per week until end of the year.
- A current casual staff member is allocated 10 hours per week on a temporary basis to assist with the running of Tumble Hall at NCP 9.
- WW & DF's Winter hours to drop to 18 per week instead of 12 as originally planned.

PO proposed that the Council accept the recommendations made by the Personnel Committee. EGE seconded the proposal. All in favour.

Resolved that the above recommendations made by the Personnel Committee are accepted by Council.

Minute No. 102 – Clerk's report.

The Clerk previously circulated her report to all members of the Council via email. Please see the attached document for more details.

There were no questions raised by the members present and the Chair thanked the Clerk for all of her hard work. The Chair also re-iterated the extent of the Clerk's workload and that this report highlighted this fact.

Minute No. 103 – Consider the purchase of a Defibrillator for Llwynteg and a cabinet for Y Cwtsh.

The need for a defibrillator and cabinet has been explained in the Clerks report (see attached document).

The Chair explained to the Council that the residents of Llwynteg have been working hard to raise money for a defibrillator. The Councillor's present felt

that there was a need for a defibrillator at Llwynteg and that they should support this cause as best they can.

RD proposed that the Council purchase a defibrillator for Llwynteg at a cost of £999 and a cabinet for Y Cwtsh at a cost of £550. NT seconded the proposal. All in favour.

Resolved that the Council purchase a defibrillator for Llwynteg at a cost of £999 and a cabinet for Y Cwtsh at a cost of £550.

Minute No. 104 – Information of the forthcoming One Voice Wales training.

The Clerk previously circulated an email to all members of the Council with One Voice Wales Training dates for October, November, and December. The Chair asked all members present to contact the Clerk or Deputy Clerk to book the courses that they need to attend.

Minute No. 105 – Notice of a Councillor Vacancy in the Cross Hands Ward.

Chris Bowkett has been disqualified as a Councillor due to non-attendance for six months. The Notice of Vacancy has been displayed on the Council noticeboards and the Clerk has published it on the Council website and social media. The Newsletter also informs the residents of the vacancy.

Minute No. 106 – Help Iwan Walk Campaign Fundraiser.

The Chair informed the Council that she has purchased two tables for the charity event that has been organised. The Chair invited all Councillor's to attend the event and the ones who would like to attend to contact herself or the Clerk by the end of the week.

Minute No. 107 – Repairs required to Tumble Playground.

The following repairs required to Tumble Playground was reported in the Clerk's report:

- Cut back of carpet surfaces to expose ground plates on posts.
- Excavate loose Tarmac and install concrete pad underground plates.
- Re-bolt ground plates with new bolts.
- Repair carpet around posts.

These repairs will cost LLCC £2800 plus VAT.

PO proposed that the Council instruct the above repairs to Tumble Playground as recommended by the Clerk. NT seconded the proposal. All in favour.

Resolved that the following repairs are made to Tumble Playground at a cost of £2800 plus VAT:

- Cut back of carpet surfaces to expose ground plates on posts.
- Excavate loose Tarmac and install concrete pad underground plates.
- Re-bolt ground plates with new bolts.
- Repair carpet around posts.

Minute No. 108 – Notice of proposed introduction of Road Humps at Tumble.

The Clerk has previously circulated the notice of proposed introduction of Road Humps at Tumble to all members of the Council via email.

Minute No. 109 – Planning Appeal – PL/05883 – AP-7298.

Appeal by: Mrs Belinda Rea
Site: 64 Rhosnewydd, Tumble, Llanelli, SA14 6LA
Development: Rear first floor extension
Appeal Start Date: 11/10/2023

The email received from Planning Appeals at CCC has previously been circulated via email to all members of the Council from the Clerk. The Refusal Reasons for Appeal from CCC was as follows:

The proposed extension to the existing dwelling, by reason of its design, is not considered to conform or enhance the character and appearance of the building and area. The proposed extension would be an incongruous addition to the building and is therefore considered to be contrary to Policy GP1 of the Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan adopted December 2014.

Minute No. 110 – Planning Applications.

PL/06521 – Timber-frame first floor bed and bath extension to the rear of the property, covered porch to front of property and raise 2x bedroom windows to a safe height of 900mm off bedroom floors to front elevation – 42 Carmarthen Road, Cross Hands, Llanelli, SA14 6SU.
No Comments made.

PL/06665 – Proposed car canopies to cover car charging points – Pont Abraham Services M4 Junction 49, Pontarddulais, Swansea, SA4 0FU.

No Comments made.

PL/06622 – Retention of excavations, reprofiling of pasture and surfacing to form a farmyard in association with existing agricultural shed – Land part of Tirlan Farm, Upper Tumble, Llanelli, SA14 6DT.

LD proposed that the Council send a letter requesting a contribution towards the environment is requested. PO seconded the proposal and all members present were in favour. It was agreed that the Clerk will know more about this so authority was passed to her to determine the wording.

PL/06697 – Construction of electric vehicle charging site, an electric substation and associated infrastructure at land between Meadows Road / Heol Y Waun and an unnamed road to the north east, Cross Hands – Land between Meadows Road, and unnamed road to the North East, Cross Hands, Llanelli, SA14 6RD.

PO and NT felt that there is a need for more electric vehicle charging sites.

The Chair closed the meeting at 7.25pm

Signed

Date

(Chair)