

LLANGERNYW COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES
7:30PM 30TH SEPTEMBER 2020
(MEETING HELD THROUGH 'ZOOM' WEBSITE DUE TO COVID-19)

1 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

- 1.1 Clwyd Roberts (CR) welcomed all to the meeting
- 1.2 Present: Ann Vaughan (AV), Einir Williams (EW), Mark Davies (MD), Garffild Ll Lewis (GLL), Diane Roberts (DR), Gwynfor Davies (GD) and Gwydion Jones (GJ)
- 1.3 Apologies: Elen H Edwards (EHE) and R. Emlyn Williams (REW). (REW due to connection issues.)
- 1.4 Absent: Gwyn Williams (GW)

2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

No declaration.

3 MINUTES TO BE APPROVED 22ND JULY 2020

Proposed correct by EW and seconded by AV.

4 MATTERS ARISING

EW – (4) last year’s audit document not on the website: reported that this had not been received by the Council from BDO. She had been in touch with BDO to request this and that it has been on the website now for some time.

EW asked if there was an update regarding the rules discussed during last meeting. CR reported that Enlli Vaughan had sent these on to the Councillors in August and that she had translated these. Enlli Vaughan was thanked for her work.

5 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- 5.1 0/47684: AV reported that nothing was out of the ordinary. No comments, approved.
- 5.2 1/LGW/3897: discussed the application to delete the agricultural condition and that the application had been made some years ago but that nothing had been done about it. EW was concerned that a lot of houses in rural areas have been sold as second homes recently and that this may happen here as its no longer a farm house, it appears that the land surrounding the dwelling has been sold previously. Discussed that it was an option to ask the County Council if a Section 106 could be attached to the application so it could be a home for local residents. AV reported that the application states that the house has been on the market for the last 5 years and that it has not sold due to the agricultural condition. Decided to write to the County Council for more information about placing section 106 on the application before making a decision.

6 COUNCIL MATTERS

- 6.1 Agricultural vehicles speeding: GLL had emailed the Councillors advising that this has been a worry to locals especially during the lockdown period as more are walking around the village, he proposed to send a letter to local contractors asking them to drive carefully through the village. Although the busy harvest season is nearing its end, EW reported that the contractors are important local employers however the speeding needs to be address following numerous complaints. Need to be diplomatic. GLL proposed asking the contractors to remind their drivers to drive carefully for next season. EW proposed that the Council prepares a list of local contractors. Agreed that a letter be sent to the contractors, not pointing the finger but rather letting them know that complaints have been made. GLL offered to draft a letter asking for the contractors’ co-operation.

- 6.2** Solar bench: Kevin Roberts has not provided a price for the relocation work yet but has asked what the Council wants to do regarding the two blocks of concrete under the bench at present. MD reported that they cannot be left where they are due to safety reasons. Agreed that they be lifted and the area re-tarmacked and let Kevin decide whether the slabs could be re-used. EW advised that Meira Woosam had contacted to say that representatives of the company which provided the bench are going to assess it tomorrow but there is not enough time to move it before they arrive.
- 6.3** Flower tubs: AV asked the Council if they would be willing to pay expenses to re-plant the tubs ready for spring, everyone agreed for AV to arrange this.

7 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

GLL reminded everyone that Conwy would be entering a local lockdown from 6pm tomorrow, 1st October. Many questions received from local residents, a frequently asked questions and answers document is available which is very useful. If anyone has specific queries, they should contact GLL directly. He reported that there had been a few teething issues regarding transport for children in rural areas at the start of the new school term however this issue is now resolved.

Work still not commenced on the Bont Faen, start date now at the beginning of November, work to be carried out on the foundations, stone works and surface of the road. Further information will be available soon. Work to be commenced on the cemetery wall soon also. GLL reported that local remedial works had been completed recently.

EW thanked GLL for his work recently regarding transport for school children at the start of the new school term in light of Covid-19.

8 BILLS

- 8.1** Water Board, Llangernyw cemetery (March - September): £15.14
- 8.2** Dei Evans (cutting grass): £400
- 8.3** Enlli Vaughan: £117.26
- 8.4** AV: flowers for the tubs as discussed in 6.3 above £34.87

Agreed to pay all above bills. EW mentioned that the hourly rate for clerks had changed, to be discussed at next meeting.

9 LOCAL MATTERS

MD – large new racing cars (such as Lamborghini etc) have been speeding through the village on Saturday mornings for the last three weeks, usually from the direction of Llanrwst. DR has also seen them as had GLL. GLL had made some enquiries but had not found out anything about them. MD had seen a car driving behind them filming. Need to keep an eye on this and take photos etc as evidence to provide to the police if it becomes an issue locally. GL mentioned that he had heard that the cars had moved from Brenig area to Bro Cernyw.

AV need to clean the gutters near Bethabara. GLL had already reported this last week for the second time, will chase again.

DR Tyn Pistill road, a vehicle has impacted the hedge around three quarters of the way up, asked if there was any possibility of putting hard core down to stop the hedge from falling into the road. DR to notify the Council via Report It, GLL also to mention to the County Council to enquire what could be done about this. Also mentioned that the hedge around the Give Way sign needed to be cut near Tŷ'r Gôf. GLL to chase this with the County Council.

EW had used Report It with a few matters following the last meeting, everything has now been rectified. She wanted GLL to notify the County Council that Gwytherin residents are happy that all the works have been completed. EW had ordered skips for 29th October for Gwytherin and 30th October for Pandy Tudur, had also prepared posters to be placed in th

noticeboards. Needs to ask the owner of the Lion, Gwytherin for permission to have the skip there.

Questions have been received from BDO regarding the audit, EW and EHE have a virtual meeting to discuss these. DR thanked EW and EHE for dealing with this.

EW had received a call from a member of the public regarding a County Council road leading to two farms, one farmer had placed a gate and poles on the road however the other farmer was concerned that the road was now too narrow and that lorries would not be able to pass. GLL also aware of the situation and has already spoken with the County Council about this, they are looking into the matter.

10 NEXT MEETING

21st October 2020 (Virtual Meeting on Zoom)

Meeting concluded 8:50pm

Minutes taken by Enlli Vaughan