

LLANGERNYW COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
7:30PM 23RD JUNE 2021
(MEETING HELD VIA 'ZOOM' DUE TO COVID-19)

1 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

1.1 All were welcomed by Clwyd Roberts (CR)

1.2 Present: Ann Vaughan (AV), Diane Roberts (DR), R. Emlyn Williams (REW), Garffild Ll Lewis (GLL), Gwynfor Davies (GD), Gwyn Williams (GW), Einir Williams (EW) and Mark Davies (MD)

1.3 Apologies: Gwydion Jones (GJ)

2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

AV – 7.1

GLL – 5.2

3 MINUTES TO APPROVE 28TH MAY 2020

Proposed correct by AV and seconded by DR.

4 MATTERS ARISING

Matters arising as below noted in agenda.

5 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

5.1 0/48599: nothing to note, approve application.

5.2 0/48581: for councillors' information only.

6 MONITORY MATTERS

6.1 Enlli Contract of Employment: EW had drafted a contract prior to the meeting. EW to look back on minutes to confirm when it was agreed that Enlli would undertake the work taking the minutes and translating as this needs to be done before the end of the month for audit purposes. Enlli to confirm by the weekend if she is happy with the draft contract and let EW know. The other councillors to receive a copy afterwards.

7 COUNCIL MATTERS

7.1 Cemetery Gates: AV LEFT MEETING. CR noted that the quote received from Barry to include cleaning the gates and paint them for £225 and no VAT.

Second quote by Ednyfed Vaughan, CR read this out to Councillors £500 but noted that final cost could be slightly higher or lower depending on the gate's weight for galvanizing. DR asked if this would last forever, and therefore this would be value for money as they would not need to be re-painted in the future. GW proposed galvanizing the gates and seconded by EW & DR. All agreed with the proposal and happy that the cost may be higher depending on the weight.

7.2 Audit: to be discussed next month. CR reported that EW had done thorough work to prepare this, EW noted that DR & GD had helped providing the figures. Agreed to discuss the audit next Monday, 7:30pm 28th May 2021.

7.3 Llangernyw empty seat: CR asked Councillors if they are aware of anyone who would be interested. DR had mentioned this to someone in Llangernyw but had not had an answer as yet. Need to advertise the empty seat. EW reported that she has the guidance from the County Council, will forward these to CR. GLL raised that it was worth sending an email to Lucy Steel to advise of the empty seat as a matter of courtesy.

7.4 Had received an email from a member of the public in Llangernyw that drivers are not taking any notice of the signs in the village. Asked for a flashing sign to note speed. Had made enquires about flashing signs and asked if the Community Council were prepared to purchase said signs. GLL reported that the 20mph project is still in consultation stage. CR asked GLL if there was a way of getting 30mph/20mph painted on the road in the village. GLL also noted that he had been in contact with Go Safe, had reported further worry and asked them to come to the village. DR had asked if the Council were willing to purchase flashing signs for the village. AV noted this was a matter of safety. DR said that villagers had put their own signs up bi-lingually to try and encourage people to slow down. GW mentioned it was locals that drive too fast. Discussed making an application for grant from Clocaenog Wind Farm. GLL noted that co-operation needs to be in place with the County Council before making a decision about this. CR to contact the County Council to make enquires.

8 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

School buses in Gwytherin – GLL, REW & EW had met with County Council in Gwytherin about this.

Playground fence in Gwytherin, meeting another County Council offer to move forward regarding this.

MD joined meeting

Y Bont Faen – had received update from County Council, works due to start August/September hopefully. Stonework, foundations and road surface works to be done.

Road leading to Gwytherin closed, no warning received, GLL to complain formally about this as the County Council had not followed the process nor given a warning of the closure.

Glyn Jones, Elwy had found a stone that his father had discovered under the Bont Faen, on the stone's surface, a picture has been carved. Asked what the best thing to do with the stone, asked if it should be placed back into the bridge or taken to the Cwm Museum. Councillors to think about this and discuss in October.

9 BILLS

9.1 Website - Arfon Parry: £155, agreed to pay.

9.2 Enlli: £137.30, agreed to pay.

9.3 2 copy invoices from the Gadlas for advertisements (cutting grass and clerk): total £12. DR had looked through the accounts but no record of the invoices. REW to forward these to GD to look into the matter, to discuss next month.

9.4 Dei Evans (grass cutting in cemeteries): £420, agreed to pay.

9.5 AV flower tubs and compost: £92.90, agreed to pay. DR noted that residents appreciate the flowers. AV thanked everyone for their help in planting in the three villages.

10 LOCAL MATTERS

CR noted on the agenda to record the possibility of a wind farm by Bute Energy in the area. AV declared an interest.

GLL had found out about this around a week ago via email, a project by Welsh Government to pinpoint 10 suitable areas for wind farms in Wales. Presumed consent – no need to go through local planning process as the project is from the Assembly. A full and public consultation will be held including the local communities, Community Councils, County Council, Natural Resources Wales etc. GLL had met with Bute Energy officers last week. The area is vast but the application that is being discussed is specific to Moelfre Uchaf area and the possibility to erect 16 turbines at the moment. Had spoken with Conwy's planning department, no formal application received yet. GLL reported that it was important that he gives correct unbiased information to the community. The process is in its early stages at

the moment, GLL is happy to relay information to the community. DR asked if GLL would be prepared to relay this information again in the next meeting in July.

No discussion about the matter, GLL reported to the Council as above only.

AV noted that there was an additional £500 available from the County Council as Llanfair TH have not used their pot of money. Asked if there was something that could benefit from this fund in Llangernyw – match funding with voluntary work. AV noted that the bus stop in Llangernyw needs to be repainted. Discussion Merched y Wawr may be interested.

DR raised that there was no way of sitting on the bench near the Cwm due to overgrown hedge nearby. GW noted that it was the property owner who also owns the hedge and is responsible for cutting it. MD to make enquires.

Still no response regarding the trees in the Remembrance Garden.

GW Pandy Tudur children also need a bus stop to shelter from the rain. GLL to look into the matter.

EW had experienced problems with the community skips in Pandy Tudur and Gwytherin due to member of skip team having had Covid-19 therefore everyone else had to self-isolate. Council had sent a van to collect items that had been left on site on the day in Gwytherin, new dates – Gwytherin 27th July, Pandy Tudur 29th July.

Gwytherin residents noted that recent remedial works to the roads had been carried out to high standard recently.

REW also noted that works are due to commence on ditches shortly.

11 NEXT MEETING

28th June 2021 (Virtual Meeting)

Meeting concluded 8:45pm

Minutes taken by Enlli Vaughan