

CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANGELYNNIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL – 13.11.24 - 7.00pm at Y Ganolfan

Present: David Griffiths (DG) (Chair), Huw Davies (HD), Keith Carroll (KC), Jen Warne (JW), Ian Williams (IW) Geraint Edwards (GE) Louise Hughes (County Councillor), and Jane Jenkins (JJ)(Clerk)

1. **Apologies Received:** Geraint Micah, Nikki Roberts, Jane Lawrence and Meg Griffiths.

2. **Chairperson's Welcome:** A warm welcome was extended to all to the meeting.

2.1 **Registration of Interest:** None.

3. **Approval of previous minutes – 09/10/24:**

RESOLVED: The Minutes were agreed as a true account.

Proposed – JW Second – KC Signed – DG.

4. **Matters arising from the previous meetings – 09/10/24:**

a) **Ash Tree in Playpark** – 25th November had been given as the date the Contractor would attend. Clerk had obtained permission from neighbouring property for access so the Contractor could clear up falling debris. The neighbour had also offered parking on their driveway. GE would attend at site the day before to unlock the park gates but Contractor to ensure entrance was blocked off on the day. Notices will be displayed by the park gate advising the public that work is to be carried out and the park is closed.

ACTION: Clerk to email the Contractor and advise gates will be unlocked for them and remind them they would need to ensure the entrance is closed to the public whilst the work is carried out.

b) **Council Website** – Questions were asked whether the current website would be removed once the new website goes live. JJ asked to make enquiries of the web designer. Several adjustments to be made to the pages.

RESOLVED: Unanimous agreement to proceeding with the website.

ACTION: JJ to make enquiries regarding existing website and ensure the changed/amendments discussed were included.

5. **Correspondence:**

a) **Right of Way Sunbeach** – Copies were provided of the correspondence received from both GCC and SNP.

ACTION: JJ to forward copies of these letters to Green Lanes Association for their further comment.

b) **Friog Wall** – LH advised this would be covered in her report.

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- c) **Gwastadgoed Junction** – JJ confirmed NWP had issued an incident number but there was nothing further to report.

6. **Planning Applications:** None.

7. **Financial Matters:**

a) **Financial Report October**

RESOLVED: Unanimously agreed as a true account and approved.

Proposed: HD **Second:** IW **Signed:** DG.

b. **Payments** – Clerks Pay. Invoices received from A&M Lloyd, C Lawrence, D Griffiths and Royal British Legion.

RESOLVED: All payments approved, and cheques issued.

c. **OVW LGA Pay Scales 2024-25**

Discussions on the Local Government Services Pay Agreement 2024/25. JJ (Clerk) pointing out that Pay Scales increased with experience, qualifications, whether RFO or not and should be adjusted accordingly to take this into account. JJ did not believe her current Pay Scale was correct. HD disputed this fact and advised there was no obligation to follow the relevant Pay Scale or increase it due to experience and qualifications. JJ asked to look further into Clerks Salaries and on what basis they are determined; check her employment contract and provide any other relevant information. In the meantime, based on current grading hourly increase to take effect with backpay to 1st April 2024 being payable in the next payroll.

ACTION: JJ to liaise with OVW and obtain information on applicable Pay Scales for a Clerk and what factors are taken into account; check details of employment contract for terms of annual review and provide any other documentation relating to Clerks Salaries.

d. **Review Standing Orders and new Financial Regulations**

Both policies discussed – all Councillors had reviewed prior to meeting.

RESOLVED: Unanimous agreement to both Standing Orders and Financial Regulations as drafted. Both policies adopted 13th November 2024

8. **Representatives' Reports:** DG had attended a Y Ganolfan meeting and reported the following:

- a. A request had been made that no more books be donated currently due to insufficient space.
- b. Cleaning products/chemicals to be stored in high cupboards for health and safety purposes.
- c. A cleaner is being sought and an advert placed on the facebook page.
- d. Problems had developed with the urns, so these have been removed and replaced with kettles.
- e. The Yarn Bombers have raised the sum of £404.40.
- f. The book launch for the Llwyngwrl photo book is Friday 29th November and ticket only. The book is 100 A4 pages and will be sold for £10 per copy. All proceeds to Y Ganolfan.
- g. Janet Jones will step down as Treasurer on 31st March 2025, so a new Treasurer is being sought.
- h. This year's AGM is November 20th.

9. **County Councillors Report:**

- a. LH had attended an extraordinary meeting of the full council to discuss single transferable vote.

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- Unable to obtain agreement from two thirds of the Council, this was voted against.
- b. LH had attended a SNP meeting to discuss Plas Tan y Bwlch. There has been a public outcry as insufficient consultation period and currently it has been taken off the market. Anyone wishing to make comment can either do so through LH or directly to SNP.
 - c. LH had received an email from Adrian Wyn Williams regarding Friog Wall with an update. Email was read out and as a result there were a few questions which LH offered to deal with directly.

10. Any Other Business:

- a. KC advised that he now has the timbers to repair the bench at Rhoslefain and will forward the invoice to JJ. He hopes to carry out the repairs in the next week.
- b. GE discussed dates for obtaining Christmas Trees and putting up. It was decided that the weekend of 7th/8th December was the most likely, and help was required. Those present confirmed they were available to help.
- c. Budget for next year to be placed on agenda for December meeting and copies of the existing budget to be emailed to all Councillors. Expenditure for current year to be available at the meeting.

Meeting closed 8.55 pm.

Date of Next Meeting : Wednesday 11.12.2024 at 7.00pm - "Y Ganolfan" Llwyngwriil

Signed

Chairman



Date

11/12/25