

Minutes of zoom 1.7.21 meeting of Llanbedr Community Council.

Present

Gruffydd Price, Eirwyn Thomas, Iolyn Jones, Kevin Titley, Robin Ward, Caroline Evans, Annwen Hughes.

Apologies - Helen Johns.

Declaration of Interest - (Clerk – fallen stock site by Capel Salem appeal -application)

Vacant seats on the Council - This issue was raised again by RW. Wanted to fill the seats. GP stated that the decision had been made at the last meeting - to wait until the elections in May 2022 before doing anything. Costs of an election and covid 19 are obstacles.

Receive the Minutes of the last meeting as a true record. (Need to add Annwen Hughes's name as present at that meeting)

Finance Report - via spread sheet. Bank statement not confirmed as yet due to no current bank statement available.

Annual Return signed by Internal Auditor. Matters arising from the internal audit:-

- Form 137 (only covid 19 without grant applies)
- VAT - excluding 2 invoices in rebate here.
- Councillors Allowances not included on website. (No need to account for refunds here)
- Had no AGM in May last year. Explain that there were no zoom meetings at the time because of covid 19 restrictions.

Matters Arising

1. Planning Applications

a) Planning Application NP5 / 62 / 60G - changes to Cypla - Application.

Caroline noted that the large windows will overlook neighbouring dwellings, thus losing privacy.

Therefore, it was passed - no objection being requested but to watch not to lose privacy.

b) Planning Application - NP5 / 62 / 405B

Temporary retention of 14 m Mast and associated equipment for an additional 18 months.

Passed to support this once again. RW noted that the generator had gone off site.

So no noise, happy with this.

c) Dog Kennel Appeal near Salem Chapel - build a purpose built building to collect dead animals! NP5 / 62 / 63F

The appeal has been passed to the disappointment of the Council. The Council's concern regarding major road traffic.

Decision made and therefore nothing further can be done. The Friends of Cwm Nantcol may go to judicial review, but nothing to date.

2. Bypass

GP, ETh and AH will meet with Gwynedd Council officials on Monday 5.7.21 at 10.30 in Llanbedr. Parking again near the Hall. Walk around the Village with emphasis on parking.

Also the latest mention from the Welsh Government that a number of bypass schemes throughout Wales are being cut. No mention of Llanbedr road as yet.

A meeting of zoom will be held to discuss the implications, on the evening of July 8th at 7.00 pm. A zoom invitation will be sent soon.

Need to wear yellow jackets for road safety.

3. Cae Deiliog - Eirwyn Thomas

He noted that volunteers had been removing bracken from the meadow. The field will be sprayed with asulox before the end of the month. The plastic sheets to put on the land have arrived and also ordered a load of chippings. Work will also be carried out on the Village Hall garden.

It was passed that the Council received the grant from Village hall for the works and thus will be able to pay from the Council's account.

4. Garden of Remembrance - Caroline Evans

Caroline was thanked for her work in preparing this agreement. We need to decide on

- List of suitable trees
- Price for the right to plant a tree (To reflect the cost of maintaining the site)
- Need a clause asking for details of the trees they want to buy.
- How to place a plaque on the post near the tree. Slate is also an option. Timber alone is likely to rot in time. Extra cost for this?

ETh noted that Alun Jones, Bryn Deiliog was keen to install a tree in memory of his wife rather than a bench.

5. Trails / woodlands - Iolyn Jones and Gruffydd Price

Public Footpaths - IJ noted that he had not received Gwyn Edwards' response regarding public footpath signs. Need to remind him once again.

Project trail brochures - received these over e mail - looking good . With additions , nearly ready to put on the web page.

Congratulations to everyone who has helped with these. (Kevin Titley noted).

Caroline pointed out that some things need to be added.

6. Clerk's New Computer. This has arrived.

Passed to install Windows 365 at a cost of £ 80 per year

The Community Council will need a bank card to make payments over the internet. Is it possible to get software from Gwynedd Council (RW), or a discount (says CE)?

The computer would be available for Council work only.

Team or Zoom - passed to stay with zoom although expensive - translation service on this program.

7. Highways Issues and Gwynedd Council - Annwen Hughes

Explain the face-to-face meeting regarding the bypass and the Government news regarding delaying such road schemes across Wales. No mention of Llanbedr road.

The Clerk noted that Mabon ap Gwynfor had been in contact regarding the recent Government announcement.

GP said, it is important to try and find a suitable parking space in Llanbedr, whatever happens with the bye pass..

ETH noted that some landowners affected by the proposed bypass had not been informed of the price for their land.

Other Highways Issues -

- * So much traffic jams in the Village - contacted Eiliw Williams
- * Road markings. This has been done near the School (30.6.21)
- * Post Office not coming to Wenallt as they had promised. Because the postmaster had been on vacation and had to isolate himself. Due to covid 19
- * Kevin noted that a van is parking near the Bryn Deiliog junction.
- * Need to tell Gwynfa residents about rear parking. Put cones on the road - Mochras road - so people can pull in? (Discuss this Monday).
- * All the Mochras road parking, no one helping each other. Preventing cars from neighboring houses coming onto the road too!
- * Salem Signs - that AH has transferred the Salem sign to Dewi Evans - Highways department. Will be replacing it soon.

Roadside verge - the Clerk noted that some works had been undertaken in relation to the roadside and Coastal path cutting. But the trees are still overhanging the road. Needs cutting for safety.

8. Dog Fouling - Consultation - that the Clerk has sent the consultation form in regarding dogs and open spaces. Supports the keeping of dogs from public places.

9. Playground - the equipment has not yet been painted. Also that the big green bin at the top of the playfield has been removed. Misused with nearby household waste.

10. Request for play equipment for teenagers. Netball stand for example. Passed this in mind when looking for grants and precepts and football goals too.

Other Matters

a) Ffynnon Enddwyn - sign doing nothing about this.

b) Talwrn Bach train station. This month was well discussed again this month. Read a Village resident's letter and a response from Transport for Wales. Again this is not acceptable bearing in mind that we are approaching the summer holiday period. The Pensarn - Sarn Hir road is very

dangerous for pedestrians who need to use the rail service. Fortunately there has been no accident !!

Talwrn Bach needs to be upgraded to a stop station without having to apply for the train to stop here.

Contact Mabon ap Gwynfor and Liz Saville Roberts.

c) Mantell Gwynedd Grant - covid 19. £ 100 worth of daffodil bulbs ordered. That £ 137 is left in the Beer Festival fund.

d) Spring Clean - that this activity has been a success, tidying up the village and making new friends. A definite plan is needed, and the volunteers want to make this a regular occasion.

This would require equipment, "Litter pickers and trash bags etc)

e) Pistyll Council - a problem with campervans camping in places throughout the Parish. Support their request for signs from Gwynedd Council regarding this. GP noted that a National Park is trying to address this, also that "by laws" are needed.

f) Website - that Mari Lloyd is to put things on the website, and nothing more. ETh stated that a New webpage will be needed soon. A full discussion on this is needed at our September meeting. Software is outdated.

g) Zoom or face to face meeting in September?

Any Other Business

a) Garth Goch road is very poor - lots of growth on the side of the road.

b) What is happening about the equipment purchased for Cae Deiliog? GP stated that he will deal with this.

c) Parking and parking charges at places such as Llandanwg Car Park - increased from £ 1.50 to £ 5.00 without notice. Porthmadog and Barmouth car parks are the same. Everyone expressed their disappointment.