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Minutes of Llanbedr Community Council 5.3.20

**Present**

Chairman Kevin Titley, Vice Chairman Gruffydd Price, Annwen Hughes (Gwynedd Council Representative) Helen Johns, Iolyn Jones, Goronwy Davies, Robin Ward, Caroline Evans, and Eirwyn Thomas.

Receive the minutes of the last meeting as a true record. Need to correct the name 'Pforzheim'.

**Declaration of interest** - The Planning Application of the shepherd's hut - namely AH, CE, and HJ. (Went out of the room while the debate took place.)

The Chairman noted that the procedure of speaking through the Chair must be adhered to. No one to talk across, as it is difficult for some to hear the translation.

**Finance Report: -**

Need to pay the following

£ 200 for operating the website for GD – through the year, and thanked him for this work.

Rental money for the Hall

Catrin's sum for the March translation

The accounts must be completed before the end of March - Iolyn Jones to oversee this.

Cash at Bank at end of February £ 19761.32

The Clerk noted that no bills have been received regarding paths, cemetery, playing field, Huchenfeld. So, carrying over more money that we hadn't calculated. And so disrupts the budget that was set in January.

Magnox funding for path / woodland scheme not yet received - February.

There is also money to come from Beer Festival. The sum of the application was £ 800. I believe that this is not fully paid. Appreciate any contribution. (Money for the playground – washing down the equipment and painting)

The Summary by IJ showed that there was an 8.7% reduction

This is because the 19/20 expenditure is £ 6400 less than the budget and therefore shows money coming forward for the 19/20 budget and only £ 12900 is needed for 20/21

The reasons for the under spend are Cemetery £ 3400, this is unpredictable, so money to come forward for 20/21

Paths//woodland project of £ 1900 due to income from grants - Beer Festival, National Park, Magnox. A total of £ 4000. This money for the 20/21 project

There is a total of about £ 1000 under spend on the other headings

**Planning Applications**

Application No. NP5 / 62/399 - Llanbedr new road scheme - approved by Snowdonia National Park Authority in committee on Wednesday morning 4.3.20

There is still some way to go before embarking on the road. AH noted that she will be in discussions with Nia Bowden regarding road traffic calming, signage and parking. She also noted that the new road had a number of conditions to adhere to.

The land needs to be bought. Putting work out to tender.

**Application** for a sign at Coed Llety Walter granted.

**Tal Artro telecommunication mast** NP5 / 62 / 405A - still using the generator, and some noise has been heard from the unit. They have applied to connect with electricity from Tal Artro.

**Planning Application** No. NP5 / 62 / 381B - Bryn Derwen timber shed, Pentre Gwynfryn

As the shed is not within the curtilage of the house a Planning application is required. The Council had no objection to this. Need to ask for a public footpath sign near the Bryn Derwen entrance as well, to avoid losing the right of way.

Planning Application No. NP5 / 62/407 - siting of 3 shepherds huts at Maes-y-garnedd farm, Cwm Nantcol.

The Council supports this development but notes that there is a reference here to filling the small pond for safety. Is this an ecological issue, although not within the red line of the development?

#### **Report by Members**

Annwen Hughes

1. Yellow lines - no response
2. Full Council - notes that Council Tax has increased by 3.9%
3. An application has been received to seek a bus stop (shelter) at the Bryn Deiliog entrance. Contacted the transport service. Discussions have started on this, but no financial grants are available at present. The Community Council would be responsible for the payments. It was passed to leave on the table and look at whether grants could be obtained. Looking for around £ 4000
4. AH was invited to the Aerodrome on the 25.3.20 regarding drones display.

#### **Trails / Woodlands** - Caroline Evans

She noted that the work was progressing well. Explore the possibility of creating a leaflet for each route in the project. Add local history, what the Village has to offer visitors to the area. These are like a web brochure. Information pack to attract visitors.

**HAL** - they have now appointed someone to look after the finances. Also, a part time Manager. Received £ 10000 grant towards the windows, and also £ 1200 for tree clearance and tidying work around the site.

**Huchenfeld** - by KT - bank account in place and running fine. There was a recent Mexican Evening and quiz, and HJ was thanked for coordinating this. Sabine Wagner from Germany contacted and set aside October 17 as a date to get visitors from Llanbedr to Germany. 1 Councillor must attend if possible. IJ stated that he would be interested. Stephanie Beacon and Jo Jones are also keen to attend. We can also use skype to keep in contact with them.

1 - 8 September a delegation from Huchenfeld will visit Llanbedr 2021

Befriending birthday 2023 - Male Voice Choir and Ladies Choir go over to Germany.

There will be a 15.3.20 memorial service at Llanbedr Church to commemorate those British men who were murdered in Huchenfeld 75 years ago. (Morning service.)

Organize an article in the Cambrian News, fundraising events planned - ping pong night, and tea in Wenallt in April.

#### **Other Matters**

1. Station Talwrn Bach - need to contact Lowri Joyce again - and ask if more work is going to be done on the train station here at Talwrn Bach.
2. Llanbedr Cleaning Group - March and April. Need to arrange a meeting with them in order to resume the project of cleaning areas in the Village. It was passed that the Community Council is leading on this as part of the Keep Wales Tidy Campaign.
3. That plans are underway to seek a butterfly garden package - through Keep Wales Tidy. GD made the application. A meeting for environmental projects is also being held in Blaenau Ffestiniog. Need

to register, for this. Title - Help Nature work for your Community with Local funding for Nature.  
16.3.20 Blaenau Ffestiniog 17.30 - 19.00

4. Large litter bin left near the bench at Llanbedr, and in front of the new notice board for paths project. GP noted that he had spoken to Ken Jones about this issue, but this has been the norm with the refuse collection for years - leaving the bins on the pavement. It was agreed that Annwen Hughes would speak to the Officer at Gwynedd Council, and ask whether it would be possible for the workers to fetch the bins from the back - other side of wall. GP also stated that he had contacted Robinsons Company about the land behind the toilet. They are responsible for clearing the Japanese knotweed. But local workers (tenant) are responsible for the clearing around the site. The Manager is to visit Llanbedr during the following week, and would speak to Gareth Jones. Agreed to contact Steffan Jones CG, regarding the situation of the bins also.

5. Trails and footpaths - many routes need attention. Sent list to Liz Haynes.

6. Playing Field Tendering - Uncertainty as to whether the football pitch will be fully utilized. Llanbedr Children's Team joins Dyffryn Ardudwy. Need to send tender for the job of cutting the football field from goal to goal once a month, and tell them that Mochras is cutting the whole field at the beginning of each month. (Request a quote from Jason and Jac.)

7. Need to contact Adrian Williams re pavement near the kiosk.

8. No response regarding retention of kiosk. The Clerk noted that she had offered to pay £ 1.00 if all else failed.

9. Toilets - need cleaning and painting. Maybe work with Llanbedr Lân to do this work.

10. Personal interest declaration - received details, and sent to everyone by email.

11. VE day - it was passed that the Council did not want to do anything, but offered to pay for the hire of the Hall to any local associations wishing to hold any celebration events. The afternoon of May 8th is available and also throughout the day of May 9th.

12. RW showed a newsletter he received when in Scotland recently. Newsletter to get people into the Area. Would this work for Llanbedr? The Clerk noted that this was a long standing practice - placing an article in the Church Paper.

13. RW also mentioned the enterprise zone at Trawsfynydd. Possibilities for work here and apprenticeship, but this message is not adequately publicized. Other stages underway are isotope development studies for cancer treatment. Need if possible to get Enterprise Zone Director John Idris Jones to meet us in Llanbedr. Passed to try to do this.

14. Email received by AH from Lee Paul - Llanbedr Aerospace - inviting Community Councils in the area to the Aerodrome. A decision was passed in favour of 15 of April at 7.00 at Camp.