

July Minutes of Llanbedr Community Council 6.7.23

Present

Annwen Hughes, Helen Johns, Louise Vassey, Robin Ward, Gwynfor Owen, Eirwyn Thomas, Kevin Titley, Jane T Williams.

Apologies

Nia Jones, John Evans.

Declaration of Interest – Eirwyn Thomas (regarding Mochras planning application).

Accept the minutes of the last meeting as correct.

Finance Report

It was noted that £27094.53 was in the bank at the end of June.

This is after paying the following

£300 for cutting down tree

£10 to hire Hall

£250 playing field maintenance and Cae Deiliog.

£32 putting information on the website.

£1726.50 burial money was also received.

The Clerk noted that payment details need to be given online at every Council meeting from now on. Also, as it is a holiday in August, it will be necessary to send payment details via e-mail to everyone, and they approve that way. (Not right for people to have to wait a long time for their payments).

Anticipate other bills in July -

Graveyard Cutting £150

Playground again £250

Cutting paths

Public Toilets £4000

Internal Audit.

External Audit.

Fixing dry stone wall in the cemetery - estimate £100

Planning Applications

Request NP5/62/116E received

Cysgod y Coed, Llanbedr - remove a closed wall to the existing balcony and install black, steel railings and tops in its place.

Comments - the Council has no problem with this application, so no objection.

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*Eirwyn Thomas mentioned that the Mochras planning application will be submitted in the coming days. So this was also discussed.

ETh declares interest of course. Which is a request for an implement storing shed.

There was no objection to this.

Other Matters Arising

1. The Cemetery

The Clerk noted that weed/thorn and ivy spraying had been done in the cemetery. Hope this works. (Eirwyn Thomas has done the work). That Jason is also going to tidy up the path to the cemetery.

AH noted that people still plant flowers on graves. ETh will tell particular families that we do not allow this. Need to put posters in the cemetery to advertise this.

2. Public Paths - that John Williams is at the beginning of the Work of cutting paths - Coed Mawr, 62, 7,

That Gwynedd Council is going to do work on path 23 and path 8.

Annwen Hughes has informed Gwynedd Council that new styles are needed on path 48, 38

The Dyke Path – part of the coastal path that KT and the Clerk have informed Natural Resources Wales that this path needs to be levelled out in some areas.

3. Playground – Cae Deiliog

Need to order a plaque to put on the tree - sorry.

A hedge on the border from one gate to another. This hedge needs to be cut, but it was passed not to do until the Autumn - biodiversity policy. Nesting birds and wild flowers. There will need to be a price for breaking this. Cut back about 2 feet and also cut the height of the growth.

4. a) The name “Talwrn Bach” to be considered as official at the Train Station? (with “Llanbedr”)

Sent to the Language Department regarding this. Add to the name Llanbedr. No response so far.

b) Dog poo bin near the railway station - have asked about this once again to Gwynedd Council. Didn't get a response. If a dog waste bin was placed nearby, it would be easier to have a litter bin next to the shelter.

5. Biodiversity policy - in the process of doing this. Received a copy of one from AH, will also help. Need to add some things to it again before it can be adopted.

6. Standing Orders - update from Un Llais Cymru. Need to adopt this as well.

Some things are not consistent with one for Llanbedr Council - a quorum number and also 2 years as Chairman in Llanbedr. Forward to RW.

7. Meeting with Gwynedd Council and Transport for Wales in Llanbedr Hall To discuss the way forward with the road – and relief road.

Disappointing was the opinion of a few Councillors regarding this meeting. Minutes were received from Gwynedd Council of what was discussed. The Clerk had sent an invitation to the land owners also to the meeting. The Bailey's family attended. Much talk about the quick gains for the area in general. Also that the money of £300,000 has reached Gwynedd Council for initial work -

A Project Manager needs to be appointed - this needs to be done asap. The Clerk to inquire if this position has been advertised yet/

AH noted that she will be in a meeting at the Royal Welsh Show with Mark Drakeford and will ask about the road if there is an opportunity.

Put Gwynedd minutes on the website for information.

Councillor Gwynfor Owen's report

Been in a full Council of CG. Today (6.7.23)

Note for information that the Social Services Department has worked hard in Gwynedd and a large number of referrals. Lots of social and mental health problems.

Following a complaint - why are there no blue flags on beaches in Gwynedd. No one has applied for status here this year, rules are different and difficult.

Carers - changed from being under the care of Gwynedd Council to being a private company. This causes problems for some.

Report by Annwen Hughes

That the work on the 2 kiosks has been done.

A hole in the road near Wenallt has been repaired, but there has been trouble with moving cars, that were parked near the site..

That the water drain near Maes y Llan has been fixed.

Cutting the sides of the road - Work starts week 10.7.23

It was noted that John Evans had cut growth around the Llanbedr 20 mph sign near the Felin. Send to thank him.

Also cutting the ivy by the Glanffrwd bridge, will be on the Gwynedd Council work program this month.

HAL meeting - in the Swimming Pool cafe 29.6.23

As Kevin was unable to attend, Eirwyn and the Clerk attended

This is a very delicate situation. The roof of the climbing wall has collapsed.

There was also a problem with the roof of the men's changing room. This has now been fixed so that it can remain open as a swimming pool.

Need security for money from Community Councils –

It was noted by HAL that Councils to pay for the pool, cafe and climbing wall. Talsarnau and Llanbedr Council noted that this was not correct. Only supporting the pool.

Talsarnau also pressed to see a work contract.

Also that HAL is keen to issue accounts every 3 months. All Councils need to discuss this.

Councillors also need to be on the board of non executives. Need to inquire at the Council Meeting regarding this. (Llanbedr not keen on this idea)

As Llanbedr did not have a Public Meeting on the matter, and some e mails were received , objecting giving more money to the pool -

It was passed that the Clerk of Llanbedr invite Councillors to discuss further, as some Councils have not paid towards HAL.. Llanbedr has paid half the amount.

Organize a meeting 3.8.23 in Llanbedr.

HAL is also looking for a volunteer to do the minutes of all the meetings!!!.

Also need a civil engineer to carry out work on investigating the condition of the swimming pool roof.

(Eirwyn and Morfudd have suggested Wakemans company to do the work (same company were involved at Llanbedr Village Hall)

A very difficult situation!

Other Matters

1. Parents have asked if it is possible to leave the goal nets on over the summer.? No objection to this. Asking if the old nets would work?

2. Some parents are keen to see sports equipment for older children at the playground –

Outdoor Fitness equipment

Netball basket

Bike ramp.

Everyone to look at different prices.

3. RW raised the issue regarding security during the Beer Festival. (It was passed that it is not possible for the Community Council to pay money towards this)

Problem with so many arriving last year by train. This will not happen this year!

4. Gof Colofn - some of the trees need to be tidied up and trimmed. Passed to do this with volunteers of the Council.

5. Defibulator – Kevin needs information to put on the website regarding this.

6. That a picnic bench has been installed in Cae Deiliog - Transport for Wales grant scheme (railway)

7. Gwynfor Owen also noted that a new bin has been placed in the Picnic Area - Mochras road.