

October Minutes

Draft minutes from Llanbedr Community Council which met on Thursday 3rd October at 7.30 in the Village Hall.

Present

Eirwyn Thomas, Annwen Hughes, Gwynfor Owen, Helen Johns, John Evans

Apologies

Jane Taylor Williams, Robin Ward, Luise Vassey, Kevin Titley, Nia Jones

Word from Eirwyn Thomas – chairing the meeting in the absent of the the Chair. Explained the small number that were present, but enough for quorum. The zoom arrangements with the translator yet again failed, will have to try again.

Declaration of Interest – Gwynfor Owen declared interest – of the meeting Un Llais Cymru with regards to the fire service review .

Planning Application

Number NP5/62/426A

namely Tir near Plas Gwynfryn, locating a static caravan to provide complimentary residential accommodation for Gwynfryn Bach, Llanbedr.

The Council supports this development, to facilitate arrangements to care for an elderly person.

Capel y Ddol - Cemetery Situation !! Scaffolds on the building are proving to be a hazard for entry into the cemetery. Concerns with the possibility of having to open a grave, but it must be remembered that the owners of the Chapel must be given 7 days' notice. Can National Park be asked what the delay is?

Finance Report

At the bank end September = £29494.96

Need approve and pay the following invoices.

1. £100 Martin Kerr for the burial of remains in a family plot.
2. Zoom Payment for The Clerk – 6 months = £323.94 . This will increase by £6.40 a month in October.
3. Salary + Clerk costs = £1051.96
4. HMRC = £133.40 payee
5. Accountants payee = £60.00
6. Door for Cylch Meithrin = £1800 (not registered with VAT). Was agreed to pay this in lieu of the £1500 contribution which has been allocated in the budget to them. Everyone agrees with this.
7. Invoice Delyth Williams £40.00 - web page
8. Invoice from Arfon Hughes last month £125 – translation at Village Hall

9. Dyffryn Iron Designs Invoice Designs = £180 Play field

10. Dyffryn Iron Designs - Cemetery mowing - invoice = £200

Total £4014.30

Leaves £25480.66 left in the bank

- There is also an invoice from Tree Fella for clearing a tree off a public footpath for £80. Agreed not to pay this now as this was not authorised by the Council. Work has been done but no one from the Community Council have authorised it.
- Other issues arise. Internal Report – copy for all. Need to make some amendments to this . This was modified and adopted so that it suited the needs of Llanbedr Council.
- *The Cemetery – Work needs to be done. Pruning and tidying day. Date for this? Volunteers over the age of 16 can do the work according to the insurance.
- The hedge – price and problems have arisen. Had 1 price of £450, but the work can not be completed without going over to Ardudwy's garden in order to cut the top of the hedge. Also will need to remove the compost -zone and pallets Not included in the price. Thus the final price will amount to more than £500.

Will need a second quote.

Passed To ask Elgan Pugh for a price (it's supposed to come To Cae Nest To cut a hedge – consider doing the Work the same day if the price is right).

One will have to look at the budget to see where money can be transferred from one department for doing this. (Eirwyn and The Clerk to look at the budget)

- Burial of remains – raising casket and plot thus becomes empty, and re-burying the casket in a family grave. This has occurred now.
- Moles at the cemetery – notified Bryn Williams . Problem gone away.

Playground –

- G.L.Jones – authorised to do the work.
- Equipment inspection? A year has almost passed and need to complete the current work and have another inspection carried out.
- What's next – passed to a ask another company for an inspection quote as well, for a comparison.
- Playground bin – new bin needed – have informed Gwynedd Council of this.

*Remembrance Sunday – this in hand.

* Huchenfeld – 25th anniversary celebration in Germany next year. What the arrangements will be. A summary of the history was provided for Gwynfor Owen's benefit, and he was interested in joining the committee. See great opportunities here.

* Committee of Councils – November 13 at 7.30

* A Cynefin / Adra Housing Meeting will be held in the day. 13.11.24 as well.

A room has been dedicated for this. It is the National Park that have requested a study here for local housing needs. Names on Housing waiting list!

- Village Hall –

Boundary wall – finally got 1 price for repairing the wall - pointing on both sides at £2500

This is a large amount and need another price. Again not included in the budget. So looking at options to transfer money from one category to another.

That the man hole area – drain has been completed

Fire door – this has been installed. At a cost of £1800. It was agreed that the Community Council pay for this instead of the original contribution of £1500 that was included in the budget.

Councillors' Report

Cllr. Gwynfor Owen – Un Llais Cymru report meeting over zoom. Detailed report of fire service. (expression of interest)

*Beer Festival – congratulating the organisers of this year's Beer Festival, attracting a number of people to the Village.

Have recently attended a full Council and intense proposals have arisen.

That Gwynedd Council pays substantial sums of money to the Crown Estate for the public's right to access lands such as the sea shores and coastal beaches. There is a demand for this to end, as it is immoral to continue to pay due to great financial pressures. Payment of £160,000 annually from Gwynedd Council to the Crown Estate.

Barmouth pays £1150, Llanaber Beach £1500 Pwllheli Marina £144,990, are some examples

That the charges need to be opposed here.

Annwen Hughes

- Complained about the re-cycling lorry having dispersed rubbish while collecting bins near Allt Goch recently. This has been cleared up.
- National Park Chief Executive interviews. Congratulating Jonathon Cawley on his appointment to the post. New Planning boss needed now.
- Van and cars parking at Pentre Gwynfryn. Need to contact Eili Williams PCO.
- Men's toilets repaired.
- Recently attended a Macmillan coffee morning at the Victoria.
- Tim tacluso Gwynedd - coming to Llanbedr November 9 confirmation of the day) as the Harlech area is also included in the leaflet.
- That she has been invited to an event at the Camp by Dave Young – by invitation only.

*Transport for Wales – cuts to Cambrian line Train service. This again raises its head, despite the statement after the meeting in Wrexham several months ago with TFW – Lee Robinson and that they then wanted to hold back on the cuts. But now the cuts in service are inevitable. Despite

the consultation . Cuts to morning and late morning service . Need to contact Ken Skates regarding our disappointment in this regard. Also will raise issue in the Ardudwy Councillors area Committee. That we as a Council have given a report of a number of people using the service – no tickets being issued/collected, so the number doesn't match the users.

Llanbedr Transport Improvements Service News – newsletter share on fb and on the Council's webpage.

The suppliers of the wooden bus shelters will be installed in October / November.

An additional £400,000 has been secured by the Welsh Government for this year – to undertake any material start-up work in terms of the planning right in place (currently, but will end in March 2025). This will be used for the 9 conditions of the planning right in place by submitting various assessments, specifications, and designs. There will also be some physical work.

Link for more information www.gwynedd.llyw.cymru/TransportLlanbedr

Any other issue

1.Eth – that the beer festival was a success £17500

People from afar joined in the fun. 10 there from Hereford, Llandudno, Colwyn Bay. That one local person has been banned by the security working group. But little other trouble.

The Festival will celebrate 20 years next year and want new ideas for a local celebration. Concert, maybe Cheese and Wine. Any other suggestions gladly received.

2. Defibulator – that this has been used recently. Need to get New Pads. Tomos Hughes will do this 4.10.24

The Clerk noted that the casing was now quite dangerous For people to get injured when trying to open it. Tomos Hughes will be able to get one for around £425 but will need an electrician to install it . That RW thought about putting this in the year-end budget.

Passed To check if money can be transferred again from some other source to do this now.

Other Issues

1. Un Llais Cymru zoom meeting – link North Wales Tan Service and Llais Cymru submission to Meirionnydd Area committee 2.10.24 on the www.llanbedr.com website