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Llanbedr Community Council draft minutes which met in Llanbedr Village Hall on Thursday November 7th at 7.30.

Currently

Jane Taylor Williams, Eirwyn Thomas, Robin Ward, John Evans, Helen Johns, Annwen Hughes, Gwynfor Owen, Nia Jones, Kevin Titley.

Apologies

Louise Vassey

Declaration of Interest

Annwen Hughes, Kevin Titley Governors of Llanbedr Primary School - request for money

Annwen Hughes - Ardudwy Eisteddfod - request for money

A word from the Chair - Welcome to the meeting from Chair Jane Taylor Williams, and thanks to Eirwyn Thomas for chairing the October meeting.

Receive the Minutes of the last meeting - as been correct.

### **Finance Report**

A very detailed report was given regarding the funding, and trying to understand where to cut back from the budget in order to be able to finance other projects.

Some of the requests for money for which no funding has been set aside.

Llanbedr Primary School – need £1200 – able to release footpaths money?

Wall School - need £2500 - important to do this - release cctv money? (£2400) Is it possible to get a grant towards this?

Passed To make inquiries regarding CCTV - is it possible to get grants, to bring matter up at the Ardudwy council meeting. It is a matter of safety with transport. Worth asking Llinos Angharad about this? Gwynfor Owen will ask Gerwyn Jones CG about this too.

Put signs that Kevin near the toilets.

Elgan Pugh - cemetery hedge - need £500 - release money for courses and translation

Defiubilator - case £500 - no need for this as a grant has come, thanks to John Evans and Breedon Company. Minffordd Quarry..

£500 in the budget for donations

Public footpaths - £800 unused

Courses £200 unused

Christmas lights £200 left

Remember we also owe £700 for an inspection. This has never been settled. Paid £200 in December for one inspection. £300 in the budget. So looking for another £400

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G.L.Jones cost of £2076 including VAT, and has set aside £2500 for the maintenance of the equipment.

In the bank at the end of 29.10.24 it was £25119.66

In the spread sheet there is £25219.66

Pritchard and Griffiths' £100 refund is the £100 difference

Matters Arising from those Minutes

### 1. THE CEMETERY

a) Day To clear the cemetery - volunteers - January 2025 Notify through Cambrian News and Llais Ardudwy 11.1.25

b) Cutting the hedge - that a price has been received from Elgan Pugh for doing this Work. Passed to receive this. It will start in the next few days. Permission was obtained from the owners of Ardudwy so that the top of the hedge could be cut from their garden if necessary.

### 2. PLAYING FIELD

Almost time to have another inspection of the playground equipment.

Received 2 prices

G.L.Jones £281 + VAT = £337.20

Play Inspections Co. £185 + VAT = £222

It was passed to take the lower rate.

3. The Defibulator Cabinet - John Evans noted that the Quarry company in Minffordd wanted to finance this and also arrange for an electrician to install it on the wall. The code will therefore need to be changed.

Send them a letter of thanks.

4. The wooden shelter opposite the Victoria. Mixed opinion regarding this. People don't like change. They ask

a) Where will the map go now – to be place at the back of the shelter

b) What about the bench -re located in the cemetery.

c) Shelter only - not a bus stop.

5. Need to lower the pavement near the shelter so that wheelchairs, prams are not directed straight to the road, need to lower the pavement so that it leads towards the Victoria car park - for safety. This is the same with a bus stop near Hafan Artro.

6. New Road – nothing much to report on this. Keeping the options open, there will be a meeting in January. £400,000 to Gwynedd Council towards consultations and physical work. Hope to

stick to the original route of road, but slower pace and therefore narrower road, and smaller bridge over river.

Robin Ward stated that the money allocated for Gwynedd this year would be better spent on footpaths, safe route to school and safe route to railway station rather than just paying consultants to carry out more work on the planning application that the government would not support. At least we'd have something done sooner .

7. Planning Application - caravan site near route number 7. The Clerk noted that she had a telephone conversation with Caroline Evans regarding the planning application. The Council needs to ask for the application to have a full hearing in a planning committee. Having discussed with some of the Council it was passed to do this. – Valid points – not blocking any access to the route. Accommodation for her elderly and disabled mother, wanting a quite independent life at the moment. Running the Mansion as a business, To keep it out of the debate.

### **General Correspondence**

1. Robin Ward – presenting very useful information regarding cuts in the Cambrian line services. Assuming these schemes are not legitimate. He has sent to Mabon ap Gwynfor, and also to Gwynfor Owen our County representative. It seems that no impact assessment of equality has been done here. Also need to send the link to everyone for the petition against cutting the services.

2. Gwynedd elections - community survey - not out yet.

3. Gail Jones TFW - research into the recent train accident.

4. TFW also regarding the train accident.

5. Statement of allowance payments to Councillors. Clerk has already done this.

6. Expenditure section 137 2025/26 has risen from £10.81 to £11.20 per elector in the village. 420 electors in the parish of Llanbedr.

7. Air Ambulance Charity - request for money Passed To give them £100

8. Questions To send to the Cambrian Line Liaison Committee - need a response before the end of November.

9. Request for money from Steddfod Arduwy. Passed to leave this for now. Consider giving a contribution again in the future..

10. Request for money from the Friends of the Primary School - had to spend a lot on a whiteboard etc. Passed To donate £500

Consider giving them annually through the budget as keeping the School in the Village is very important because of the language, keeping the Hall going through the Cylch Meithrin.

### **REPORTS OF COUNTY COUNCILORS**

Cllr. Gwynfor Owen –

It was very sad to note that Dyfrig Siencyn has recently resigned from Gwynedd Council. A good friend of Llanbedr and still supportive of bypass developments. No one has been selected for the job so far.

Financial situation worsening particularly due to the budget from the Labor Government recently, with the cost of an increase in national insurance. The answer that Gwynfor Owen received by mail later was as follows:-

By Paul Rowlinson (Cabinet Member for Finance)

"The Treasury has promised to provide money to compensate public bodies for the cost of an increase in national insurance, an increase that will cost the Council £5.4 million a year. This will be on top of Barnett's resulting money. But there are no details yet. We do not know if the money will be enough to cover the cost in full or if it will go through the Welsh Government and depend on them to pass it on. At the moment there is no promise for private providers, e.g. care homes, and it is very likely that there will be an increase in the costs that the Council has to pay to suppliers".

England comes first, and then Wales!

Of course they still support the HS2 railway in England.

Uncertain months for Gwynedd Council then!

Cllr. Annwen Hughes –

Caravan near the entrance to Gwynfryn Ffarm - who owns this? The registration is not recognized by DVLA.

That a pupil at Ysgol Ardudwy, from Llanbedr, Ross Evans took part in a musical show in the West End - 10.11.24 An unforgettable experience. As part of Conwy's Pauline Quirke Academy located at Rydal Penrhos school. Need to congratulate him on his success. Clerk To send him a card.

Tidying Team To come to Llanbedr.

The Clerk noted that it was necessary to sweep around the War Memorial before Sunday. 10.11.24

That there are yellow lines placed near the bridge - opposite Canolfan Artro. – Mochras road.

#### ANY OTHER MATTER

1. Robin Ward – the result of the speed marking lines in the village. That these had been removed from the site earlier in the week. Summary of the result. Meters have been placed on the road north and the road south of the Village. Also measures the amount of traffic here.

	<b>Flow (24hr)</b>	<b>Average Speed</b>	<b>85th% Speed</b>
Combined	3,089	25.9mph	30.6mph
Into Village	1,542	25.0mph	29.5mph

Out Of Village	1,547	26.8mph	31.4mph
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A496 Llanbedr South (20mph)	Flow (24hr)	Average Speed	85th% Speed
Combined	2,886	22.8mph	27.8mph
Into Village	1,444	20.9mph	25.3mph
Out of Village	1,442	24.7mph	29.4mph

Speed Monitoring Data - Summary

Llanbedr A496 October 2024

	North near Bryn Teg	South near Hafan Artro
Total number of vehicles	21622	20200
Average speed (mph)	26	23
% exceeding speed limit (20mph)	91	71
% exceeding "prosecution" limit (25mph)	54	32
Speed which 15% of vehicles exceed	31	28
Max speed	55-60	45-50
Hours of max speeds	No real pattern	0100-0700 1900-2300

2. John Evans – need to lower pavement near the wooden shelter.

Also that a Campervan parks near Meirion House - on the road, creating difficulty for drivers to see, on coming traffic. Notify the Police.

3. Kevin Titley – playing field bin – has broken Notify CG.

4. Eirwyn Thomas – Need to cut the hedge opposite Capel Gwynfryn again. Notify CG.

5. Pentre Gwynfryn Parking - notify the Police again.

6. Caravan abandoned near Gwynfryn Ffarm - inform the Police.

7. Ardudwy councilors' meeting agenda - HAL, Save Plas Tan y Bwlch, TFW, Constitution, Ardudwy Website, Housing Habitat Area.

8. Huchenfeld meeting Monday night 11.11.24 Arrangements for a virtual meeting in December between Llanbedr and Huchenfeld.

It is understood that the Pforzheim Council in Germany has been established for 50 years, and there will be celebrations regarding this in the near future.