

Minutes for 6.2.25

Present – Full council, with translator present.

Declaration of Interest – none

A word from the Chair – welcome everyone to the meeting and pleased to see all members present .

Planning Applications – Re Capel Gwynfryn. Nothing happening here, the scaffolds are a barrier to bring gravestones back to the cemetery. The Clerk has questioned Aled Lloyd, National Park – trying to resolve the issues and about the owner's Making a new entrance, to the cemetery to facilitate things. AH noted that the owner was seeking to have the 106 condition revoked (therefore having to pay £30,000, Community Charge). Could this be the holdup with starting any development.?

The January minutes were accepted as accurate.

Finance – all Councillors have received the finance report by email.

Money in the Bank 29.1.25 = £24373.26

Paid £20 Hall , £500 Ysgol Feithrin, £5.00 Bank Charges.

Received £1072 burial fees. But haven't had an invoice for opening grave as yet.

Then February the following were paid £40 Delyth , £276 Robinsons (£230 & £46 Vat) right of way (Clarification per above for the year 2024. 2 amounts were paid in 2022 (one in May and one in September 2022 – so no payment 2023) Payment will again be made 2025 April .

Hall £10.00

It appears that a substantial amount of money will be carried over in March. REMEMBER that payment is required on the following (if the work has been completed.

£700 for account audited - but still haven' confirmed that this is okay.

March payment required a total of £422.33 for Microsoft and Zoom to the Clerk.

. Huchenfeld could easily be paid a donation of £150 - discussed again. Eisteddfod Arddwy application – money can also be donated to them. Need to pay for boundary wall -- £5500. Pay G.L. Jones children's playground work £2000 (approximate). Playground inspection and any extra work. Money for work possibly repositioning the benches and repairing one bench..

These have to be considered.

Issues Arising from the Records

1. The Cemetery – due to inclement weather the date to clear ivy in the cemetery had to be postponed. AH noted it is a family's responsibility to care for the tomb. That tidying team has been clearing the cemetery road, pavement to the School and also around the toilets. Much improvements. The Clerk has already sent To thank them. Gwynfor Owen noted –wonder if the Tim Tacluso would be able to clear the ivy? Bench in memory in the New cemetery is in a sorry state. The Chairman indicated that she would have a word with the family. Where To place the oak bench that was near the Victoria – between the 2 cemeteries? Need to take a look at this.

ETH noted that he too had a bench in need of repair – one that was near Moreia Chapel. JE and ETH To arrange this. Locate near Cambrian Clearance?

2. Playground – no further report.

3. Tender footpaths and other work – this is open until the end of March. Advertisement in Llais Ardudwy and on the web page. Had 2 showing interest so far. RW noted that details of one who might send tender name and details on the community Facebook page.

4. Potholes – didn't get a response regarding this. ETH noted that Rhiw Garth Goch had been done. Cwm Bychan and Cwm Nantcol not done. Some places near Bryn Deiliog have been done – some being the responsibility of a Water Board. GO questioned whether the holes filled are satisfactory work, or if it is temporary work? Need to send him a list of all complaints.

5. Tidying up team – very commendable work.

6. CCTV – this is still on the agenda. Passed to ask R.J. Electrics and Eiliw Williams PCO to come to the next Council Meeting to discuss the possibility. Meeting at 7.00pm 6.3.25.

7. Defibrillator case – this installed, with thanks to the Minffordd Quarry Company and JE. Photo needed for March issue of Llais Ardudwy. (Get JTW and JE photo).

8. Bryn Hyfryd Car Park – Received a response from Rhydian Roberts regarding this. They have undertaken the work of improving the drains at the entrance to Coed Hafod y Bryn. Opened an additional new drain to carry the water towards the trees. The work is about to be completed and in the recent wet weather it was encouraging to see that the occasional rising water at the entrance was finding its way into the drain and nothing was rising and flowing into the road. Aware that JTW visited the employees there. Rhydian suggests additional work can be carried out on the Gwynedd Council drains. JTW noted that water and mess such as slate debris were flowing down the road towards Bryn Deiliog. Risk of freezing and causing accidents. It was passed that GO and JTW visit the site before the Clerk sends an e mail to Gwynedd Council. JTW noted that the stone walls either side of the road were also collapsing. Again causing further problems.

9. Weltag dates in Llanbedr. 2 dates WelTag Phase 2 public engagement 19.3.25 Daytime drop-in session 10am to 4pm

25.3.25 evening drop-in session 4pm – 7pm At Llanbedr Village Hall.

RW noted that he had tried to obtain the Weltag 1 and Weltag 2 report. But Gerwyn Jones (over text with GO on the night) confirmed that these were not yet ready. It would be good to have a copy of these before the open dates.

10. County Councillor Reports

Gwynfor Owen – attended a meeting with the Leader of Gwynedd Council The main issue was budget cuts and Council tax rises by 8 and a half % due to a formula of older population in Gwynedd and fewer young people therefore receiving a smaller percentage from the Government. 6 million costs for State Insurance now, after the recent national budget. Encouraging News is that there are no intentions so far of creating more responsibilities on the Community Councils.

Annwen Hughes – She noted that she was able to arrange that the gritter came up the Cwm Bychan road in January. That Paula and Ken had been tidying up Victoria's land - fence - up to

the toilets. They intend to proceed up to Glanffrwd Bridge. AH herself has been cutting thorns near the School.

Trees near Hafan Artro – trees belonging to Joseph Gruffydd. She had told Nedw his brother about this. The Clerk noted that she had contacted Nedw regarding this.

That a car was abandoned in Gwynfryn Village. Needs to be moved. The Clerk to contact PCO again regarding this. Ongoing problem.

The road has been swept (leaves etc).

ETH noted that every road needs to be swept as the leaves are blocking the drains on the roads

. Other Issues

1. Passed To organise the Council forum 19 March. At 7.30pm

2. KT – photos of Llandanwg Barrage – need to refer to Natural Resources.

3. Email from Mr G.Price complaining about the overhanging branches of trees leaning into the road – as follows

a) Road near Hafan Artro – The Clerk and AH have referred this matter to the land owners.

b) Ger y Rhos

c) Opposite the School – AH has done some clearing near the school.

d) Glanffrwd Bridge The Clerk will refer these matters to Gwynedd Council for comment.

4) KT noted that it is nearly 5 years since the covid pandemic. The Council noted that it did not intend to publicise this. But however are very grateful for all that helped during the pandemic.

5) LV – complaint that a lot of rubbish on side of road.