

## Minutes for 6.3.25

Present

JTW, Eirwyn Thomas, John Evans, Luise Vassey, Annwen Hughes, Kevin Titley, Robin Ward.

Helen Johns. Gwynfor Owen

Apologies – Nia Jones

Presentation about CCTV cameras by Richard Hollinsworth – R.J Electrics.

Heather Brown Clerk Barmouth can also be contacted regarding this. Eilw Williams PCO could not attend.

RH asked what the Council needed?

JTW – cameras for road safety and residents, and property.

RW – for monitoring

RH – see the Village?

JTW – there are spots that are hard to monitor.

That we need a central place for the reliable mechanism , power and wi fi.

Mobile cameras can be obtained which are PTZ (pan tilt zoom 360 degrees )

JTW – cameras for north and south of the village

RW – what are legal issues?

RH – shop owners, and businesses – no problem.

Need to register the permission to install CCTV.

A disadvantage of having cameras that people can ask to see what has been recorded.

The larger the hard drive the more storage facility

RH – Spa shop in Dyffryn have their cameras, One Stop and the Garage.

Cost for a basic camera is around £180

RH – we need to walk around the Village and see what is possible.

AH – that a sub-committee needs to be created.

ETH – schedule Saturday morning with RH in the coming weeks.

Cameras and hard drives can be added to the system at a later stage.

The hub can be located at the Village Hall. This will work as the building is in the care of the Council. There could also be cameras here for the safety of the School.

Agreed to arrange a meeting in April.

**A word from the Chair** – welcoming everyone to the meeting.

**Declaration of Interest** – nothing to declare but Councillor Annwen Hughes declares interest when Planning Applications are being discussed

**Receive Minutes** of last meeting by email – confirmed as correct

Planning Applications – nothing New.

1. Capel Gwynfryn – the owner is due to contact the Clerk to arrange with making changes to the entrance on the foot path. Haven't heard from him yet.

Peter Madoc Memorials is also supposed to contact the Clerk – To let her know if he can get a headstone into the cemetery from - under the scaffolds. Concern and need for the owner to be present.

2. There is an advertisement on a pole near Salem Chapel – that the owner of the site intends to go ahead with the development and tearing down the old buildings– . The plan is to try and put in a second planning application for holiday pods. The Council has not received any information regarding this.

## FINANCE REPORT

At the start of March £23287.36 is in the Bank

paid the following

£10.00 For Rent Hall

£40 For Delyth Williams – website

£276 Robinsons – right of Way

£470 Open Grave

£5.00 Charges Bank

£422.33 Zoom etc ad payments To The Clerk. 6 month period

Received £177.43 rem. Public footpaths.

It was passed that money was available for the purchase of 1 new salt bin. Book this for a location in Cwm Bychan . Location is proposed by Gwynedd Council, but one could suggest near Garth Engian . £356.92 in the budget ready for road salt.

The cost of a bin would be £362.67

Also donate – donations section for Eisteddfod Ardudwy ( for the benefit of the Welsh language).

AH declares interest. The contribution - department is £400. So £200 each for them.

- to Ardudwy CFFI (when application comes before the end of March) To Ardudwy Club and not to the County CFFI.

One Voice Wales will need to be paid by 1st April £147

Cymru 1 – price change 1 April

Internal Audit – same arrangements as last year. Gwynedd Council has been appointed to do this. Need to send the confirmation letter to Rhys Bleddyn .

## Highway Issues

Following complaints regarding the Village roads – here is a response from Gwynedd Council  
In relation to point 1 to 4 regarding renewed salt bin applications, I would like to inform you the Department no longer funds this as there are a very large number of salt bins out on our network. However, these roads are on our second priority gravelling circuits which is only operated during the day when there is cold weather for long periods of time and resources are available. If a Community Council insists that salt bins need to be installed, we can arrange an inspection to find out locations for the bins, but a cost for ordering it will be incurred by the Community Council. The cost for a new bin with salt for the first time is currently £362.67 per bin.

. Once on site the Highway Department will refill it when needed.

A number of pot holes on the road near Bryn Deiliog - near number 1 and 2: The Highways Department will assess the site and organise any work required.

Leaves along the side of the roads, these of course frozen and can cause an accident , lest someone slips on them. Again will assess the site and arrange for Street Cleaning which will be there when in the area for sweeping.

Iron grids on the roads up to Tyddyn Pandy closed with leaves, and also lots of weeds growing from the pavements -

Bryn Deiliog , and also pavement opposite the Victoria. We will be organising a weed killer circuit in the Spring. However, in the meantime, we will arrange for the Ardal Ni Workforce to visit the village to carry out work on the pavements.

In relation to the roadside seen in the photos, the site has been made safe and a request has been sent to the Force to visit on site in the next two weeks.

Councillor Annwen Hughes noted that bollard have been installed on the above site.

#### Other Issues

##### 1. The Cemetery –

a) Date for tidying up at the cemetery. Put on the April agenda, when the weather is better  
AH noted the graves are the responsibility of the families. Hard to do any ivy work lest it intrude on the stone walls.

AH also noted that Tacluso Team are unable to do work at the cemetery.

b) A seat in memory – that JTW had word with the owner. And this will be done.

c) The bench near the Victoria – this needs to be located in the cemetery – between the two cemeteries.

d) Need to cut the cemetery before 15.3.25 – for the late David Richards. Clerk To arrange this.

e) Tendering for work – opening tenders at the end of March.

##### 2. Playground –

a) the Clerk indicated that she contacted G.I.Jones Bethesda – still not carrying out the work.

b) The Clerk also contacted Play Inspection Wales – doing the inspection 30.3.25

c) K.Titley noted the need for no-dogs signs in the children's playground.

d) KT – weed spraying needed on the path.

. Clerk contact Gwynedd Council regarding these issues

##### 3. Parking – Coed Hafod y Bryn

JTW and GO visited this site. It was noted that there was a high “ramp” there for cars to come out of the car park. This is not convenient for cars that are low off the ground. That Rhydian Roberts National Park is aware of this.

That walls around Bryn Hyfryd are collapsing. This is the responsibility of Gwynedd Council as the road is higher than the land. This has already been reported to the Council.

4. Llais Ardudwy - defibrillator – need to arrange evening with John Evans and JTW to take photos.

5. WelTag – everyone received a report 1 WelTag, on Council day, so no time to discuss this.

Featured on website and fb.

Need to enquire further –

a) Where is the questionnaire?

b) Will it be possible to locate the Mailing Box in the Village? Possibly at Paper Shop?

c) Do they want to inform the open days in the Cambrian News?

d) Ask if it is possible to access the documents that have indicated confidentially in the appendix?

6. That the Cambrian Line Liaison Committee end of March.

This on zoom . But we have not yet received the link. The Clerk must ask about this again.

Questionnaires/question form need to be completed. The Clerk keeps pointing out the same old things.

Would it be possible for some of the Councillors to require questions or feedback for the attention of this meeting?

GO identified the need for the following

1) Ask about the cuts possibly ,and will there be a better service and more trains for next winter?

2) What happened to the service that was a straight through from Talwrn Bach To Birmingham recently? Nia Jones and her family had arranged a day out, and were disappointed to find that they had to change trains at Machynlleth and wait a while before the other train arrived.

3) GO said there was no representative from TFW at the last meeting.

#### COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr. Gwynfor Owen

1. Not just a problem in Llanbedr, but to be seen in frequent Villages– namely driving and exceeding the 20 mph limits.. He noted that he was to have a meeting with Officers to discuss this further.

2. Council Tax To rise by 8.66%.

He noted that Councillors had time to think about this and to make any amendment, but no one had done so. There have also been workshops... Without these increases - Education and Social Services would see cut backs. -

ETH – speeding – stated that cameras must be considered to control this?

Report. Annwen Hughes

1) Driving – speeding problem – in the past arranged to get a "Go Safe" Van to the area to monitor

2) Problem of local car still parking near War memorial, although there are double yellow lines on site.

#### Comments from Other Councillors

1. Luise Vassey – that Huchenfeld Service zoom meeting 17.3.25

2. Kevin Titley – Playground liner bin removed again – was the Bear bin planned to go walkabouts again?

3. Open day Weltag - reminder

4. A sign near the gate of Never Cut needs attention.

5. Weed on a playground path – sent a photo. Clerk to ask Cyngor Gwynedd

6. A stone loose at the entrance to the car park of the old dump site.

7. KT - I wonder if the Council should think about introducing Blue Sky as well as Face Book ? In case the number of false reports and extreme items continue to rise on fb .

8. John Evans – A gate post near Pont Glanffrwd needs fixing . Agreed to ask Arfon or Elfyn Pugh to do this.

9. Eirwyn Thomas – That Gwynedd Council needs to be sent to remind them that the kerb needs to be re-done the Vic shelter. (Lower the pavement needed)

10. Leaves – issue on roads – the Clerk noted that this had already been sent to Gwynedd Council

11. Bench – bench to be repaired – that was near Moreia.

12. Councils – Ardudwy Forum

13. The Clerk identified the need for an agenda.

14. AH noted her apology.

15. Jane Taylor Williams – need to get a gate to put on a path to the river near Glennydd. Who owns this land?. Ref. Land Registry.