

LLANSTEFFAN AND LLANYBRI COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN LLANYBRI COMMUNITY HALL

19th February 2018

Chair Councillor G Howells (Chair)
Present Councillors B Charles (Vice Chair), M Howells
M James, C Lodwick, S Robinson,
Apologies Councillors E Davies, B Harrison
Clerk M Phillips-Rees
In-Attendance Cty Cllr C Jones

2. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS & DISPENSATIONS

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The Monthly Register was circulated and interests in agenda items were disclosed, if appropriate. Concerns have been expressed regarding the attendance of Councillors. It was requested that the Clerk compile the attendance statistics.

3. MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON the 15th of January 2018

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The minutes of the meeting held on the 15th of January 2018 were confirmed and signed as a true record, proposed by Cllr B Charles and seconded by Cllr C Lodwick.

4. MATTERS ARISING FOR INFORMATION

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4.1 Councillor resignation – a notice has gone out and there has not been any requests for an election. Therefore, it is necessary to put a notice of vacancy out, it was agreed to put the notices out with a closing date of the 6th of March.

4.2 Trees at Pilglas – Clerk has contacted Mr Ian Thomas regarding the trees and CCC are not sure who owns the land where the trees are located so they have contacted all of the landowners to see who will respond. Clerk to monitor this.

4.3 Hen Gapel – Clerk is awaiting a response from Mr Siggery.

Cllr M Howells entered the meeting at 7:11pm.

5. Pilglas Junction

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Awaiting notification from Mr J McEvoy as to whether the grant has been allocated the meeting to discuss this is scheduled for later this month.

6. Benches

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The responses are as follows:

Name of Applicant	Response
Mr Michael Hopper	Giving it consideration
Tyler Lay	Giving it consideration
Trevor Jones	No longer interested
Donna Jenkins	Giving it consideration
Nancy Wilson	Agreed in principle - in the process of finalising details, have asked regarding a bench in the Castle walls
Mary Price	Yes would like a bench The Green end, but has asked whether there are other options for the picnic bench?
Anne Evans	No response
The Howells' Family	Agreed in principle – have a query regarding plinth

The Wilson family have asked whether it is possible to have a bench within/around the Castle, the Clerk has met with the owners of the Castle and as their future plans have not been finalised they feel that it would be pointless to locate a bench that may have to be moved or relocated in the near future.

There has also been a query regarding the cost of the plinth, as if the bench being removed is **not** viable to relocate and the plinth does not need any work will result in a nil charge whereas

if the bench being replaced is viable and a plinth is created then the charge will be in full, this then results in a differentiated level of costings. It was decided that the Clerk discusses the cost of plinths with Cllr E Davies and come back to Council with a suggestion.

7. The Green

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The Chair informed the Council that the meeting had taken place with the County and that they are continuing to look in to the situation. A discussion followed and it was decided that the Clerk and Chair would collaborate to provide further information to the County.

8. Morfa Playground

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The Clerk has received the inspection report for both the Morfa Playground and Llanybri Playground, and has suggested that the playgrounds are visited by the Clerk and the inspectors and sub-committee for the Morfa Playground, this meeting was arranged but had to be postponed and the work on the road to the Llanybri Playground is hindering the visit there.

There is still concern regarding the hedge that surrounds the Morfa Playground, the Clerk suggested consulting with Paul Murray regarding this issue and ask him to attend the site – **All agreed.**

The Council considered the Tenders for both the Morfa Playground and Llanybri Playground, both to be awarded for a 2 year period and with amendments as noted can be displayed and responses to be received by the 16th of March 2018.

9. Budget Report

The budget report which itemises expenditure to date and the remaining budget available was presented to the Council. A question was raised regarding the school swimming and it was explained that this was financial support to the local school to enable the schoolchildren to attend swimming lessons. **The budget report was accepted, all in agreement.**

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10. Financial Priorities

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The Clerk explained that the recommendations are that a Council holds up to 12 months Precept, but if monies are held they should be assigned to a project or allocated for a specific purpose.

A discussion was held on the of allocating finance to ensure that projects can be completed.

It was agreed to allocate the following amounts:

- i) Morfa Playground improvements - £5 500
- ii) Maintenance of Village Green - £3 000
- iii) Telephone Kiosks - £1 500

10. County Councillor Report

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See attached report

10. Health & Safety Reports

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Morfa Playground

As per the agenda item

Morfa

There is still an issue with the drainage.

Croft Lane

N/A

Carriers Lane

All good.

Hen Gapel

As stated awaiting a response from Mr Siggery and Clerk is trying to have an answer from CADW regarding the re-wording of the War Memorial.

Llanybri Playground

The bench is currently not able to be fixed as the park is inaccessible.

11. Payment of Accounts

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NAME	DETAILS	AMOUNT
M Phillips-Rees	Salary	688.79
M Phillips-Rees	Expenses	83.83
Llansteffan Mem Hall	Hire	16
One Voice Wales	Membership	182
CCC	Lighting Charges	2617.64
J Davies	Grass Cutting - Hen Gapel	
Community Association	Grass Cutting – Llanybri Playground	
	* DD = direct debit	
TOTAL:		3588.26

The Clerk explained that charges for the use of the Hall refer to use prior to the increase in the Hall Charges, therefore with the agreement of the Council the Clerk wishes to adjust the amount to be paid accordingly, **all in agreement**.

Accounts accepted for payment, proposed by Cllr B Howells and Seconded by Cllr M James .

12. Correspondence and Planning

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1. Cynllun Datblygu Lleol (CDLI) Sir Gaerfyrddin / Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan (LDP) - shared
2. Future Generations Commissioner: Future Generations Framework
3. Budget Preparation 2018/19
4. UK and Welsh governments agree new Welsh taxes ready to go - Tax policy work plan 2018 and developing new taxes in Wales
5. Natural Resource Wales - Area Statements Survey
6. Precept 2018/19 - Llansteffan Community Council
7. Petition to Welsh Assembly - Access Certificate
8. Engagement Event Invitation from the Review Panel

9. 2018 Celebration of Culture

Nominate Diana Bevan, Eiluned Rees, and Julia Jones.

10. Bee Friendly Scheme

11. Proposals to tackle crime and poor performance in the waste sector

12. General Data Protection Regulation

13. Community Resilience Guidance for Practitioners - Letter to town and community councils

14. Engagement Event Invitation from the Review Panel

Tue 13 March 2018 09:30 – 12:30 GMT
Carmarthen St Peters Civic Hall
1 Nott Square

15. Temporary road closure: U2127 Llanybri, Carmarthen

16. Pilglas Road to Llanybri – Trees. Ian Thomas has informed the Clerk that they are unable to identify whose land the trees are located on and they have therefore written to all possible landowners and awaiting a response.

17. Innovative Practice Annual Awards Ceremony 2018

18. Western Power – update from the upgrading of the overhead lines.

19. Young Farmers Rally – the Council has received an invitation to the YFC Rally. It was agreed that Cllr E I Davies would be offered the tickets.

20. One Voice Wales – Meeting

Membership

Planning

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W/ENF/08393 - Widened accesses opposite Ferry Farm, Llanstephan – The Council have received notification that there is no requirement for enforcement for the changes to the entrance to the gateway.

15. MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

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- 1 The sign on the post to Down Farm needs to be fixed.
- 2. Pilglas Road – the condition of the road needs to be referred to Ian Thomas.
- 3. Is there an opportunity to arrange a litter pick from Pantyrathro to Pilglas
- 4. Is there a possibility of having a bin in the layby on Plas Hill.
- 5. Holders for the Llanybri Booklet A5.
- 6. 5 Year Plan – the Clerk and County Councillor to work on a report to present to the Community Council.

The meeting closed at 20:58 pm

Signed..... Chairman/Vice Chairman Date

