

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

16th October 2017

Chair Councillor G Howells (Chair)
Present Councillors B Charles (Vice Chair), E Davies, B Harrison, M Howells
M James, C Lodwick, S Robinson, H Thomas
Apologies Councillors E Davies, B Ryder
Clerk M Phillips-Rees

2. Morfa/Sports Association

See attached notes

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3. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS & DISPENSATIONS

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The Monthly Register was circulated and interests in agenda items were disclosed, if appropriate.

4. MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON the 18th of September 2017

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The minutes of the meeting held on the 18th of September 2017 were confirmed and signed as a true record, proposed by Cllr B Charles and seconded by Cllr M Howells.

5. MATTERS ARISING FOR INFORMATION

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No matter arising from previous Minutes.

6. MORFA PLAYGROUND MAINTENANCE

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The Clerk had arranged with Mr M Evans to deliver the bark, and the Chair thanked the Councillors that were involved with spreading the bark. Cllr James raised the issue of the surface and asked whether there was an alternative, and proposed that a quote is received for another type of surface cover, seconded by Cllr Robinson.

Mr W Jones as the Council are aware has ended the contract of maintaining the playground, and he has now informed the Clerk of his hours totalling 11.5 hours, and informed the Council that he would ordinarily charge £10 an hour, these terms were accepted.

Clerk informed the Council that Mr E Evans is willing to monitor to grass area of the playground and will cut the grass if needed. It was requested that the Clerk ask Mr Ian Edwards if there is any weed control that is appropriate for a children's play area.

It is also requested that the Clerk make enquiries regarding play equipment for disabled children.

7. Pilglas Junction

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The Clerk and Chair provided an update regarding the incident that had happened earlier in the week on the road from Pilglas to Llanybri. The Clerk had been informed that the Police had failed to attend to assess the state of the road, and consequently the road had not been deemed unsafe for use. The Clerk has contacted the OPCC to ask for an explanation to why there was no Police support.

A discussion ensued and the following concerns were raised:

1. The road is continually dirty
2. A tree has been pulled down, which saw the temporary closure of the road.
3. The above issues are both costly and it seems that the cost is being footed by the County Council, rather than by the individual responsible.

4. Is there a way of charging for the use of these resources?

There is still a concern in the use of this junction by agricultural vehicles, and this has still not been addressed by the County, Clerk to chase this up.

All of these issues need to be addressed and are part of the County Councillors Report, however the Community Council want to be involved in this meeting. As they are the ones who require answers and actions.

11. County Councillor Report

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See attached report

12. Health & Safety Reports

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Morfa Playground

As per the agenda item

Morfa

All good

Croft Lane

Not available

Carriers Lane

Chair has swept the lane.

Hen Gapel

Not available

Llanybri Playground

A bench has broken in the playground. There are outstanding funds that had not been collected so this is going to be counted and see how much is there towards a bench – this remains. Will be updated at a later meeting.

13. Payment of Accounts

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NAME	DETAILS	AMOUNT
M Phillips-Rees	Salary -	688.79
M Phillips-Rees	Expenses	92.68
Mr W Jones	Morfa Playground	115.00
RBL	Wreaths	40.00
	* DD = direct debit	
TOTAL:		936.47

14. Correspondence and Planning

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1. October training sessions from One Voice Wales – shared with all members
2. Review of the Electoral Arrangements for Carmarthenshire County Council
3. One Voice Wales News Bulletin September 2017
4. Actif Carmarthenshire Sports Awards – will share with all members for them to consider the categories
5. Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service Did You Know Survey
6. Letter from Jayne Bryant AM and Loneliness Roundtable Report - a letter from Jayne Bryant AM. With a report of a Loneliness Roundtable held last June.
7. Consultation: guidance for principal councils on the review of communities – shared
8. Town & Community Councils Newsletter - October 2017 – shared with all members
9. Cynllun Llesiant Sir Gâr / Carmarthenshire Well-being Plan – shared with all members - consultation closes January 3rd.
10. Mrs Helen John. A letter has been received from Mrs John regarding her concerns of the impact the closure of a section of the Green area has had on the availability of parking during busy times during the Season, and also the problems that suggesting that parking is available behind the houses has caused.
11. Dyfed-Powys Police – acknowledgement of the email sent regarding Pilglas/Maen Melin.
12. Hatchy Hill, Llanybri – A complaint has been received regarding deposits of concrete on the road from Hatchy Hill, and concern was expressed regarding the hazard that this could be. The Clerk has referred this to CCC.
13. IRPW - Draft Annual Report / Adroddiad Blynyddol Drafft – shared with all members – to be considered in the November Meeting.
14. Get involved! Review of the Community and Town Council Sector – shared with all members
15. Consultation: guidance for principal councils on the review of communities
16. National Grid: Swansea to Pembroke Refurbishment – the County Councillor has informed the Community Council that she attended the meeting and a map has been provided to show the line of disruption. There will be nominal effect on the Llansteffan and Llanybri area.
17. Review of the Electoral Arrangements for Carmarthenshire County Council – shared – consultation starts 5th of October
18. Llansteffan and Llanybri British Legion – the Chair and Vice Chair have been asked if they would be willing to lay wreaths in their respective villages.
19. Shaun Lynch – Rubbish Bins

The Clerk reported the bins on The Green and beach area as they had not been emptied.

Shaun Lynch confirmed that the car park and surrounding area are supposed to be emptied twice a day, 7 days a week.

20. Portugese Man O'War – There have been reports of Portugese Man O'War on the beach. CCC requested LLCC put warning posters up, which had been emailed but printed to the cost LLCC, however CCC are responsible for removal of anything from the beach. Therefore, the Clerk, after consultation with the Chair, referred this back to CCC, who decided that posters were not required. The Clerk has put information on the Community Council Website.

21. Natwest – information regarding the bank account terms and conditions.

Planning

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There are 2 planning matters for consideration.

W/36226 – Mr M Evans, COOMB LODGE FARM, LLANGAIN, CARMARTHEN, SA33 5AW

To move old cattle buildings and replace with new larger cattle building – **No Objections**

W/36218 - Mr & Mrs Hoffman, Dalton Villa, Old Road, Llansteffan, Carmarthen, SA33 5JJ

Demolition of Existing Single Storey Lean-To Rear Extension and Construction Of Two Storey Extension – **No Objections**

15. MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

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1. There are cars parking in the turning circle at the entrance to the castle, Clerk to refer to CCC.
2. Trees in Maes Griffith the trees still are a concern.
3. Cllr M Howells has requested information regarding the bridle paths in the area.
4. The incident of dogs and horses on the beach has been reported to be the Bloodhound Pack.
5. A concern was raised regarding the organisation of the school buses, as the Llanybri school bus has been reorganised to pick up at 7:50am and they do not return to the village until 4:30pm. Clerk to contact CCC.
6. The Coastal Path is not correctly signed, some are missing and walkers are getting lost. Clerk to refer to CCC.
7. There is an issue of dog fouling on Heol Faen, Llanybri which leads to the park. Clerk to seek advice.
8. The ditches and drainage on Ferry Lane are already a concern. Clerk to refer to CCC.
9. Cllr B Harrison raised his concerns regarding the results of the co-option vote in the September meeting.

The meeting closed at 21:30 pm

Signed..... Chairman/Vice Chairman Date

