

Cyngor Cymuned Llangynog

Llangynog Community Council

Minutes of the meeting of held on Tuesday 18th February 2020 Llangynog Memorial Hall at 7.30pm

Present. Cllr. P. Morgan (chair), Cllr. A. Young, Cllr. Chambers, Cllr I. Davies, Cllr Eilbeck

Apologies. (27) Cllr Hughes, Cllr. G. Evans

Hywel Mallett came to speak to Llangynog Council about possible way of getting fibre broadband to residents of Tanat Valley including Llangynog- He's an IT professional, in touch with B4RN (Lancaster). B4RN now cover an area the size of Montgomeryshire. B4RN is a Community benefit Society, profits/ excess put back into community. 250 properties out of approx. 1300 properties in Tanat Valley would make it feasible. It would involve putting fibre optic cables in the ground to properties. Mark Hennell and Hywel have decided to continue with both routes to keep all options open. How is it funded? Gigabit of Broadband voucher scheme, B4RN asks people to buy shares (not compulsory).

Declaration of Interest (28)

Cllr. I. Davies – tender applications (son has submitted a tender)

Clerk Rhian Briscoe - Clerk Salary

- Planning Application (submitted by clerk)

Minutes (29)

It was **RESOLVED** by council, after amendment, to accept the minutes of the meeting dated 21st January 2020 as a true record. The Chairperson signed minutes.

Matters Arising (30)

Owner of land behind bus shelter identified – clerk to write a letter to ask to renew fence – H&S.

Translations – some translation costs shared from other councils

Playground committee – clerk to share minutes of Playground committee meetings with Councillors, It was confirmed that, at April 2019's meeting it was **RESOLVED** that Llangynog Community Council are prepared, if necessary, to provide up to £5000 towards the playground.

Chairman's Report (31)

Work on the path at St Melangell's went well, it looks good and is now much safer. Thanks to all Councillors who helped.

County Councillors Report (32)

None

Correspondence (33)

Playground Inspection Letter – Council **RESOLVED** to ask PCC to arrange inspection at a reduced rate.

Email from Rev Browne received expressing her gratitude at the Council especially those councilors who carried out the work to repair the path to St Melangell's church. (Cllr Evans, Cllr Morgan, Cllr I. Davies, Cllr Chambers).

Independent Remuneration Panel – draft

Spring Clean Cymru

Audit Press Release

Training (34)

Cllr Young – wanted to know if council should continue with micro training sessions, should we have a policy on training. It was **RESOLVED** that if any councillor goes on a course that they produce a summary to share with other councillors.

Publication Scheme (35)

It was **RESOLVED** to adopt the ICO Model Publication Scheme.

Finance (36)

1. Finance

Current Account:	£17,170.47
Maintenance Account (Playground Fund)	£6390.00

Income:

Toilets honesty box	£nil
Cemetery fees	£400
Toilets Donation (Tanat Trotters)	£25
Donation from D. Scarborough (for Playground fund)	£50
Pop-up Indian, L. Foster (for Playground fund)	£1000 (not banked yet)

Payments:

British Gas (BACS)	£223.06
Hafren Dyfrdwy (BACS)	£250.04
Clerks Wages & Expenses (ink)	£166.42
Cllr Young (Allowance)	£120
Cllr Young (travel expenses)	£22.50
Cllr Eilbeck (Allowance)	£120
HMRC PAYE	£60
One Voice Wales membership	£64.00
Library	£115
External Audit Fees	£365.75
L. Lewis Toilet cleaning & Checking	£97.75
MillSales Direct	£73.16
Powys CC playground safety check	£72.00

It was **RESOLVED** by council that the invoices and payments be honoured. **Action Clerk**

Grass Cutting Tenders (38)

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the tender from W. Jones for cutting and removing grass at St Melangell's, St Cynog's and the playing field.

Clerk Salary (39)

It was **RESOLVED** to pay the clerk a monthly salary for 20 hours work at £10.54 per hour (total of £210.80 per month) starting April 2020. This takes into account increasing workloads for clerks and was decided after seeking advice from One Voice Wales.

Toilets - cleaning costs + disabled alarm + Frost prevention measures (40)

It was **RESOLVED** to keep the council RADAR key in a safe place accessible for emergencies. Check disabled toilet isn't wobbly. Cleaning costs – Council happy with current arrangements. Clerk to look into Utility Aid for new utilities contracts **ACTION CLERK**

INTERNAL AUDIT ACCOUNTS (41)

It was **RESOLVED** to continue with the same internal auditor.

Frost prevention measures not been carried out (42)

Electrician to be chased.

Montgomeryshire Village Award (43)

Cllr Young has spoken to many village groups - Hall committee, WI, Bowling Green club, Contact club, Reps of Playground committee – pleased with enthusiasm and support. All agreed to contribute something to our submission. He will speak to all other organisations + businesses, Village meeting has been arranged to gather suggestions, answer questions, gather volunteers and gather support. As Llangynog Community Council is lead group, Councillors should try to attend. 26th Feb at 7.30pm

Number of tasks that could be carried out – organise village clean up - **ACTION CLERK** (possibly in May). Painting of toilets - **ACTION Cllrs Evans, Morgan, Davies and Chambers**. someone to work with volunteers to work on plants / shrubs around village - **Action Cllr Chambers** someone to liaise with house and landowners to tidy up their patch – **Action Cllr Young**

Ysgol Pennant Governor's Report (44)

30th Jan – Induction training in Welshpool

Feb 3rd – Safeguarding training, very informative

Feb 11th – Full Governing body meeting, Head teacher report – due to extension at school taking away some of the tarmac playground, school are hoping to get funding for a MUGA (Multi Use Games Area).

Feedback from CiC Cluster Meeting (45)

Disappointing meeting, because Llansantffraid and Llanfechain dropped out, less money in pot, the quote provider has got another job so won't be doing it.

Revolution Bike Park (46)

Bike Park could potentially be forced out of business, PCC wanted a contaminated land report. They presented a report, PCC asked for full report that PCC have now said is not sufficient. Revolution is an internationally renowned bike park, they support the village, brings tourism to the area, 15 employees, It was **RESOLVED** that Llangynog Community Council support Revolution bike park fully. Letter of support to be sent to bike park, website, PCC **ACTION CLERK**

Japanese Knotweed (47)

Following advice from NRW - Llangynog Community Council are unable to locate the owner of the land and as this is on private land which LICC are unable to progress, this matter has now been closed. If ever the owner of the land comes to light, then LICC will notify them of the Japanese Knotweed on their land. If the Japanese Knotweed appears on the highway then PCC will be notified.

Planning (48)

Planning Applications: Planning Application: Ref. No: 20/0089/HH - Erection of two storey extension including demolition of attached outbuilding, Mount Quarry Llangynog Oswestry SY10 0EZ. It was **RESOLVED** to place no objections to this application.

Highways (49)

Chapel bridge update shared – PCC had noted the dip in the bridge. As the bridge is listed, it will take longer for PCC to decide how to go about the repairs. The bridge will need to be closed. It was **RESOLVED** to ask PCC to carefully consider when this might be done – avoid school holidays when road is very busy. **ACTION CLERK**

Pennant loop – very dangerous potholes on both Pennant roads that need to be reported to Highways– **ACTION CLERK**

Council Newsletter (50)

To be published in March

Members Points of Information (51)

Risk Assessment Policy review (add outcome of disabled toilet alarm to RA)

Communication between the council and the village

The next Council meeting will be held in Memorial Hall, Llangynog on Tuesday 17th March 2020 at 7.30pm.

Signed (Chair)

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