

## **CYNGOR CYMYNED LLANGENNECH COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

At a meeting of the Council held on Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023 at the Llangennech Community Centre.

**PRESENT:**                      **Councillors:**                      I Griffiths (Chair)  
I M Williams, H J Davies, G Thomas,  
J Leeuwerke, M I Slader, N Lloyd,  
A J Parry, L D J Armishaw,  
L M Morgan

**APOLOGIES:**                      **Councillors:**                      J A Seward, G R Jones

1.        The Vice Chair, Councillor I Griffiths, took over the duties of the Chair in the absence of Councillor G R Jones, Chair.

2.        **Declaration of Interests**

There were none.

3.        **Public Participation**

There were no matters raised. Mr Steffan Thomas, was in attendance as an observer.

4.        **Minutes of the Meeting held on the 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

It was proposed by Councillor H J Davies and seconded by Councillor M I Slader that the Minutes be accepted.

It was so RESOLVED.

- i)        **Recreation Ground – Playground**

The Chair referred to continual contact from the organiser of the petition requesting investment in the play area at Cae Pownd. He has been invited to attend a Council meeting but to date he has not taken up the offer.

Councillor L D J Armishaw referred to a recent shooting incident on the field adjacent to Cae Pownd. There is a risk of injury to users of Cae Pownd from similar incidents.

Councillor G Thomas stated that the landowner has the perfect right to protect his property and animals from attacks by dogs etc. and this is what happened recently at this location.



Councillor N Lloyd believed that this is a rare occurrence and not likely to be a problem in the future.

ii) **Bus Stop - opposite Ty Plas Isaf**

The Chair referred to a request for a shelter to be erected at the bus stop.

This has been discussed in a previous meeting of the Council and it was agreed that it cannot be provided because of site issues.

Councillor G Thomas asked whether a wayside bench seat could be located at a suitable location along Hendre Road, The Community Council could perhaps finance the erection of such a seat. Permission would be required from the County Council.

iii) **Assistant Caretaker – Community Centre**

The Clerk informed members that the meeting of the Personnel Sub Committee had been planned for the previous week but this could not take place because members were not available.

Further discussion took place and it was agreed to hold the meeting on Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> July 2023, at 6.30p.m., at the Llangennech Community Centre.

iv) **Pavilion – Cylch Meithrin**

Councillor M I Slader referred to the site meeting that took place on Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

The Surveyor had obtained a quotation to create a storage area in the alcoves and the cost of this was to be £7000.

After due discussion the proposal did not provide value for money..

Councillor M I Slader stated that the Cylch have a lot of play equipment etc.

Councillor I Griffiths informed Councillors of his discussion with the Cylch and the Cricket Club and he was informed that there is no storage space available in the building recently constructed by the Cricket Club. He also informed Councillors that a Mr Alan Clement has offered to carry out the proposed work on the alcoves at no charge next year provided that the Council would pay for materials.



The Surveyor commented that proper procedures and building regulations requirements would have to be followed.

**5. Surveyor's Report**

**i) Section 106 Balance of £17027 available to Llangennech**

The Sub Committee needs to meet as soon as possible to make progress on the project.

There will be a need to consider what equipment is retained and what is to be scrapped.

The headmaster of the local school will have to be contacted in September and by the end of September details of the project will have to be confirmed and the Section 106 application process commenced.

The Contractor will be selected in January 2024.

The lottery grant application is to be made in September.

Councillor M I Slader asked if the Sub Committee could be given a mandate to make decisions.

The Surveyor commented that there are issues with the current equipment in that some of them are probably 40 – 50 years old. The roundabout is an issue with very little clearance between the item and the floor. A child suffered an injury a few years ago and a claim was made against the Council. The claim was unsuccessful. Councillor L D J Armishaw commented that grants may be available from disability sources to fund disability friendly equipment.

It was agreed that the Recreation Sub Committee meet on Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> July 2023, at 5.30p.m.

**6. County Councillor Report**

County Councillor G R Jones had provided a written report.

**i) At a County Council meeting in June a street naming policy was announced.**

An “E” Mail from D Phillips, 2 Lon yr Ysgol, Llangennech, was discussed requesting a bilingual version.



After due discussion it was agreed not to accede to the request.

- ii) The County Council proposes additional money be provided for pothole repair. Councillor G R Jones had asked for the County to look at the Plymouth City Council system. They are trialling a new system for filling potholes.
- iii) Trees and bushes have been cut back by owners on Park Lane.
- iv) Successful litter pick took place on the Bryn with the Bryn Hall Committee. The W I presented Rica with a 25 year service award.
- v) Barry Gould will have worked with the Council for 35 years in July.

Councillor G Thomas asked if he could be presented with an award in recognition of his services. The Clerk will make enquiries with Barry regarding his interests and view on a possible official photograph taken.

- vi) Referring to possible Section 106 money being generated by a development on land adjacent to Tafarn Morlais a scheme needs to be prepared and be available for application purposes.

Councillor Jones suggested improvements to the play area at Cae Pownd being one scheme to be drawn up and be available for an application to this source.

## **7. Surveyor – Contract of Employment**

The Surveyor had offered to reduce his hours of employment for the 2023/24 year from 11.5 hours per week to 5 hours per week because he did not see any major project work taking place in that year.

This was agreed in the December meeting of the Council.

The Surveyor now invites the Council to reconsider the position since there is likely to be a considerable work load increase from schemes such as the playground improvement at the Recreation Ground. This Scheme alone will run into the 2024/25 financial year.

It was proposed by Councillor M I Slader and seconded by Councillor G Thomas that the Surveyor's contract of employment be amended to 11.5 hours per week from the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023.

It was so RESOLVED.



**8. Beating the Bounds**

It has been confirmed that this will take place on Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> October 2023.

**9. Planning Applications**

It was RESOLVED not to object to the following :-

Willows, Mwrwg Road - propose use of dwelling house for the care and supervision of a maximum of 4 young people (aged 11-18)

PL/05939 - Single storey extension at 54 Tirgof

PL/05994 - Amendment to extension at 10 Llwynifan

PL/06141 - Single storey rear extension at 6-8 Penllwyngwyn Road (Bryn Breakfast Cafe)

**10. Teenage Cancer - Fund Raising Event**

Councillor G Thomas wished to thank Councillor M I Slader for organising the event last weekend. This was very successful and Councillor M I Slader informed members that some £1500 was raised.

Councillor M I Slader wished to thank Councillor I M Williams for his contribution from his Chair fund.

**11. Councillor G R Jones**

All Councillors expressed their best wishes to Councillor Jones for his forthcoming medical treatment.

**12. Accounts**

It was proposed by Councillor I M Williams and seconded by Councillor N Lloyd that the following accounts be passed for payment.

It was so RESOLVED.