

CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANGENNECH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

At a meeting of the Recreation Ground Sub Committee held on Monday, 4th March, 2024, at the Llangennech Community Centre.

PRESENT: **Councillors:** M I Slader, L M Morgan,
H J Davies

APOLOGIES: **Councillor:** I Griffiths

1. The purpose of the meeting was to consider tenders for updating the playground in the Recreation Ground.

Tenders were received from:

Wicksteed
Adventure Playground, Wales
Kompan
Sovereign Play

The Surveyor suggested that the best Scheme was that from Wicksteed.

2. The tenders were considered in detail and assessed as to the equipment provided and layout and content of each proposal.
3. After due discussion it was agreed to put forward the tender received from Wicksteed with a proviso to request to provide options for the slide unit to include a climbing frame apparatus.

Further consideration would be made following the response from Wicksteed.

Cyngor Cymuned Llangennech Community Council

At a meeting of the Council held on Monday, 11th March 2024, at the Bryn Hall, Bryn.

PRESENT: Councillors: I Griffiths (Vice Chair)
I M Williams, G Thomas,
M I Slader, N Lloyd, A J Parry,
J A Seward

APOLOGIES: Councillors: G R Jones (Chair)
L M Morgan, H J Davies,
J Leeuwerke, L D J Armishaw

2. Declaration of Interests

Councillor M I Slader declared an interest when Grants to Organisations would be discussed. She is a member of the Troserch Woodland Society.

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on the 12th February 2024

It was proposed by Councillors I M Williams and seconded by Councillor M I Slader that the Minutes be accepted.

It was so RESOLVED.

1. Chair

Councillor G R Jones was unable to attend tonight's meeting and therefore Councillor I Griffiths (Vice Chair) took over the duties.

i) LBSA – Cae Pownd

The Surveyor commented on a recent issue raised by the occupant of 2 Aber Llchwyr with regard to flooding issues at the rear of his property. Flooding to his property resulted in the excessive amount of rainfall over the recent period and was a natural phenomenon. The Community Council has not done any work at Cae Pownd to cause the flooding and therefore is not responsible. The owner of 2 Aber Llchwyr accepts the situation and is to seek advice and costings from a specialist firm to provide a Trench Drain to alleviate the problem and this work will be at his own cost.

However, the Surveyor referred to the LBSA proposal to develop Cae Pown and if any changes are made at this location by contractor work then possible water problems need to be addressed. The Surveyor also referred to problems encountered by graves flooding at the adjacent cemetery.

The Surveyor asks that the LBSA seriously consider drainage problems at the location and would like to take part in discussions with consultants when this takes place.

Councillor I M Williams referred to water/flooding issues at Tyr Eglwys following contractor work.

Councillor N Lloyd referred to similar flooding problems at the School following work carried out at the rear of the school.

ii) **Bridge Inn**

It has not been possible to arrange a meeting with the Bridge Inn proprietors for various reasons.

The Chair and Huw Thomas, Centre Committee suggests that a meeting be arranged to discuss and formalise matters before the meeting with the Bridge Inn.

Councillor I M Williams stated that the matter needs to be finalised as quickly as possible since it is 3 months since the original meeting and agreement for a trial period of 3 weeks.

A suggestion was made to move the barrier to the rear of the entrance to the access road to the Centre. The Surveyor envisages some problems from relocating the barrier and Huw Thomas, Centre Committee, was also of the view that there could be problems from this.

Councillor J A Seward referred to the fact that there are still occasions when parking take place along the entrance roadway causing problems to traffic flow.

Councillor I Griffiths, Vice Chair asked that the Chair be given the opportunity to arrange another meeting with the Bridge Inn.

Councillor N Lloyd referred to the recent incident when a vehicle had parked for several days near the entrance. The owner of the vehicle lived in Hendre Road.

The Clerk referred to the fact that no payment has been made to date by the Bridge Inn. It has been 13 weeks in use to the 17th March and therefore the sum due based on £200 per week is £2600. It was agreed that an invoice for this sum be sent to the Bridge Inn asking for payment by the 31st March 2024.

Councillor I M Williams asked if the possibility of moving the barrier could be looked into.

Councillors M I Slader and N Lloyd asked if the possibility of some sort of penalty system could be looked into which would be legally enforceable.

Councillor G Thomas stated that the Council await the outcome of the payment request for the time being.

iii) **Youth Club**

There has been no movement to date.

iv) **Entrance Gates – Recreation Ground**

Repair work on the gate has not commenced yet.

v) **Day Club**

Councillor G Thomas reported that the project is going well.

vi) **Cylch Meithrin**

The Clerk reported on his discussions with BT to provide internet access at the Pavilion. The additional cost will be £9 per month and it was agreed to proceed.

vii) **Remote Meetings for the Council**

The Clerk reported that there would be technical issues to overcome to provide a full remote meeting service.

In the short term he suggests that Zoom meetings be used via a laptop and that the matter be looked at further in due course.

Councillor J A Seward was happy to proceed and accept this suggestion.

4. Surveyor's Report

The Surveyor reported on the Sub Recreation Committee Meeting held on the 4th March and the recommendation to accept the tender from Wicksteed. There were 7 Contractors invited to tender and 4 replied.

There was a request from the Sub Committee for Wicksteed to provide options for the slide unit to include some sort of climbing unit.

The Surveyor has contacted Wicksteed and a response is awaited.

5. County Councillor Report

County Councillor J A Seward reported:

- i) Council Tax increase has been agreed at 7.5%.
- ii) A meeting took place to discuss issues with regard to the Children's home in Mwrwg Road.
- iii) Flooding issues have also been raised at Mwrwg Road.

6. Risk Assessment Document

The Clerk had prepared a risk assessment document which had previously been circulated to members.

It is a requirement that the Council carries out an assessment of risks and take appropriate steps to manage risks.

After due discussion it was RESOLVED to accept the document and its content as presented.

7. Grants to Organisations

It was agreed to make the following payments:

Organisation	£
Capel Salem	100
Capel Bryn Seion	100
Capel Bethesda	100
Llangennech Parish Church	100
Llangennech & Bryn Bowls	100
Bryn W I	100
Troserch Woodland	200

Organisation	£
WEA	100
LBSA	100
Llangennech AFC	200
Cylch Meithrin	100

8. New Regulations from 6th April 2024 regarding Waste Collection

From 6th April 2024 it will be a legal requirement for all businesses, charities and public sector organisations in Wales to separate their waste for collection.

The Clerk and staff met a Mr Robert Cole from Veolia on Tuesday, 5th March, 2024 and the following is a summary of the proposal from the Company. Arrangements etc. may have to change following a review of the actual requirements over the coming weeks/months.

Food Recycling

This will need to be placed in Bio-degradable bags for disposal and then placed in the outside bins. We can provide 2 x 240 litre containers, one for each building.

1 x 240 litre container lifted weekly.

£9.14p per lift based on 80 kg. limit
£0.05p daily per container rental

Glass Recycling

We can provide 2 x 240 litre containers for this waste stream as well as follows:

1 x 240 litre container lifted fortnightly.

£7.14 per lift based on 80 kg. limit
£0.05p daily container rental

Cardboard and Paper Recycling

Card can go loose in the bin and any paper will need to be in clear bags for this service before placing in the outside bin.

1 x 240 litre container lifted fortnightly.

£7.64 per lift based on 10 kg limit
£0.05p daily container rental

Plastic and cans

This can go in the same clear bag together and then placed in the outside bin.

1 x 660 litre container lifted fortnightly

£8.14p per lift based on a 20 kg limit

£0.10p daily container rental

There would be a one off delivery of £10.00 per container and would appear on your next invoice only. By implementing these services there should be a possibility of reducing the general waste down to fortnightly collections but would advise to start with the additional recycling containers so you can measure this effectively before you reduce this service and leave you with overflow of waste on site.

We can also offer support for any waste you may have for electronic equipment so you are able to dispose of this correctly as well and can provide details at the time of request.

9. Temporary Road Closure – Brynmead, Bryn

This will take place on the 10th April 2024 for two days to allow repair work to be carried out by Welsh Water on a leaking communication pipe.

10. Temporary Road Closure – C2077 Porth Dafen Medelview

The road for a distance of 187 metres will be closed on Tuesday, 2nd April between the hours of 9.00 and 15.00 hours to carry out poing works.

11. Chamber of Trade and Commerce

An invitation has been received for one Councillor and Consort to attend a lunch at the Llanelli House on Saturday, 30th March to launch City Status for Llanelli.

The Chair and Vice Chair are unable to attend.

12. Llangennech Library Opening Hours

There is a proposed change to the opening hours.

On Monday the opening hours will be 2.00pm to 6.00pm rather than 3.00pm to 7.00pm.

On Wednesday the opening hours will be 2.00pm to 6.00pm rather than 3.00pm to 7.00pm.

13. Planning Applications

- i) There is no objection to the following:

PL/07313 - Demolition of an existing outbuilding and the construction of a detached bungalow and self contained annex at land to rear of 35 Penllwyngwyn Road.

- ii) An "E" Mail has been received from Evans Banks Planning Ltd, detailing a Pre Planning Consultation exercise for the construction of 30 No. Dwelling houses and Estate Road and Associated Infrastructure of land at Gwaelod y Maes, Pontardulais Road.

Representations are requested to be made by 23rd March 2024.

The Clerk reported that a similar application for this location had been made in October 2020. The Community Council objected to the application by "E" Mail sent on the 11th November 2020.

The County Council refused the application.

Councillor M I Slader referred to a discussion she had with Simon Clement, County Planning, who advised that the Community Council should make an application for Section 106 Funds at this stage.

It was agreed that such an application be made and sent to Evans Banks Planning Ltd.