

MINUTES OF THE LLANDEGLA COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 9TH JUNE 2022 IN THE LLANDEGLA MEMORIAL HALL AT 7.00 P.M.

1: CO-OPTION PROCESS FOR THE VACANT SEATS THAT EXIST ON THE COUNCIL.

A: The Clerk has received two nominations to be considered for the five vacant seats that exist on the Council – namely Elizabeth Parker-Clark and Hillary Berry. Members resolved to co-opt both nominations onto the Council.

B. The Clerk will now publish the new “Co-option” notice for the last three remaining seats that exist on the Council.

2: PRESENT:

Councillors Janet Strivens (Chair), Gwyneth Dillon, Karen Bellis, Steve Swygart, Elizabeth Parker-Clerk, Hillary Berry, Denbighshire County Councillor Terry Mendies together with the Clerk.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

None received.

4. COMPLETED “DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE” AND “MEMBERS CODE OF CONDUCT – REGISTER OF MEMBERS’ INTERESTS (NOTIFICATION OF INTERESTS)” FORMS TO BE HANDED OVER TO THE CLERK OF THE COUNCIL.

The Clerk confirmed that all the current Members of the Council have completed both forms and handed over to the Clerk.

5. ‘MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO DECLARE PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA. IT IS A REQUIREMENT THAT DECLARATIONS FROM A MEMBER INCLUDE THE NATURE OF THE INTEREST AND WHETHER IT IS PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL’. (STANDING ORDERS NO 57).

None received.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION.

“THIS PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO RAISE QUESTIONS ABOUT AND COMMENT ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA - TIME FOR THIS SESSION IS LIMITED TO 10 MINUTES.”

Three issues were discussed from the members of the public in attendance.

A: The Youth in the community would welcome the support of the Community Council for a newly established “Youth Club” in Llandegla. Subject to the provision of firm proposals for a newly established Youth Club, then the Community Council will be most supportive.

B. Provision of new play equipment area for the elder youths in the community in the “2Top Field” in Llanegla Village. Members confirmed that the provision for the youth at the “Top Park” will be given priority thoughts once the current issues are completed i.e. hedge laying, stock proof fencing, established wildflower section etc.

7. REPORT FROM DENBIGHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCILLOR TERRY MENDIES.

Councillor Mendies reported:-

A: Dog fouling signage have been supplied for Llandegla village.

B. One of the planning conditions to install the sound proof fencing has still not been installed at Tan-y-Graig Kennels in Llandegla.

C. The legal process at Ty Isoe illegal development in Llandegla is still ongoing.

8. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS.

Members confirmed 3rd March and 26th May 2022 minutes as a true record.

9. TO CONSIDER ANY MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA.

Already covered elsewhere within the agenda.

10. COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER UPDATE.

Councillors Janet Strivents and Elizabeth Parker-Clark reported that the fourth edition of the Community Newsletter is imminent to be published which is well received by the Community as a whole. The Community Council will continue to fund the Community Newsletter. Members thanked Councillors Strivens and Parker-Clark for their hard work on the project.

11. FORMER TELEPHONE KIOSK UPDATE.

No update to report.

12. LLANDEGLA CAR PARK NOTICE BOARD REPAIRS/REPLACEMENT UPDATE.

Councillor Karen Bellis reported that Mr Haydn Edwards has agreed to repair the Llandegla Car Park Notice Board.

13. MEMORIAL BENCH UPDATE.

Councillor Karen Bellis agreed to source the Memorial Bench from the Meifod Wood Products in Denbigh.

14. QUEEN ELIZABETH II PLATINUM JUBILEE 2022 PARTY CELEBRATIONS REPORT.

A: Mr Fraser Robertson provided Council with a report on recent successful; "Platinum Jubilee" weekend in Llandegla and thanked the Community Council for their financial contributions for the cost of the events. Members thanked Mr Robertson and the Memorial Hall Committee for all of their contribution towards the events.

B. Members thanked Councillor Janet Strivens provided the Platinum Jubilee Commemorative Mugs from Anvil Pottery in Llanrhaeadr which was well received by the Community as a whole.

15. TO ADDRESS ANY QUESTIONS TO THE CHAIRMAN OR CLERK (STANDING ORDERS NO. 24).

None received.

16. FINANCE ISSUES:-

A. The Clerk provided Members with the bank transactions spreadsheets for the period covering 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022.

B. To receive and approve the Schedule of receipts and payments received prior to the meeting from 1st April to 31st May 2022 provided by the Clerk:-

Receipts:-

First third 2022/23 Precept receipt from Denbighshire County Council £3,328.00.

Authorised payments:-

1: Bank Charges £5.00.

2. Hywel Evans for Community Newsletter printing £60.00.

3. Bank charges £5.00.

4. Zurich annual insurance premium £412.23.
5. White Oak Property Services for the community grass cutting £210.65.
6. AVOW for PAYE administration fees £12.50.
7. Fraser Robertson for the Platinum Jubilee expenses costs £1,497.48.
8. Fraser Robertson for the community Gazebo £469.99.
9. Avril Pottery for the Platinum Jubilee celebration event £700.00.
10. Ysgol Dyffryn Ial, Llandegla grant aid application towards the transport costs to Corwen Swimming Pool £150.00.
11. Bank charges £5.00.
12. White Oak Property Services for the Community Grass Cutting £421.30.

17. PLANNING APPLICATIONS:-

- A: Planning Application: 17/2022/0366 - Demolition of existing detached garage and erection of replacement detached garage at Gerlan, 4 Pen Llan, Llandegla no objections.
- B. Planning Application: 17/2022/0393 - Change of use of land to form extended domestic curtilage, including the regrading of land, installation of retaining walls and landscaping (partly retrospective) on land adjacent to Bryn Eithin, Llandegla – the main observation to the planning application is that the application is yet another partly retrospective planning application received by the Community Council.

18. TO REVIEW ANY CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED THAT REQUIRES ATTENTION.

The contents of the following letter received from Mrs Hilary Berry was discussed by the Members of the Council:-

“Please may I request that you consider my current dilemma and concerns?

Over the past few months, my neighbours and I have experienced a spate of burglaries which resulted in damage to buildings and loss of property. The police officers who were assigned to the incidents have been both professional and supportive offering reassurance and invaluable advice.

However, whilst this crime is infuriating and costly it is the fact that the perpetrators visited the properties on previous occasions walking around the buildings between 18:30 and midnight in order to plan their crime. This situation is terrifying. Consequently, I am fearful to leave the house, especially, as I have vulnerable elderly parents to care for.

I have had discussions with neighbours and community members and it seems that a more creative use of joint commissioning, multiagency working, and a pooling of budgets to utilise resources more effectively and efficiently, may be a potential point to start to ensure that residents feel and are indeed safe.

I have shared my anxieties with Cllr Martyn Holland, who informed me that members of Llanarmon-yn-Ial Community Council are investigating the installation of ANPR in their village. This seems like a sensible resolution. Therefore, I am also writing to Police and Crime Commissioner to request help and support.

I would be extremely grateful if you would be willing to allow with members of our community to meet with you to explore as to how, together, we ensure that our community members feel and are safe and prevent any further crime and distress.

I look forward to hearing from you.”

Members resolved in the first instance for the Clerk to invite North Wales Police and Crime Commissioner Andrew Dunbobbin to the next Council meeting to explore the matter further.

19. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE LEISURE & ENVIRONMENTAL AREAS COMMITTEE.

Councillor Steve Swygart reported that a site meeting has been arranged on the “Top Field” on 2nd August 2022 to agree on the hedge laying and stock proof fencing requirement on site.

20. TO APPOINT REPRESENTATIVES ON THE FOLLOWING OUTSIDE BODIES:-

- A. Memorial Hall Management – Councillor Karen Bellis.
- B. Community Shop Management Committee – Councillor Janet Strivens.
- C. Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty – Councillors Karen Bellis and Elizabeth Parker-Clark.
- D. One Voice Wales – Councillor Gwyneth Dillon..
- E. Parochial Church Council – Councillors Karen Bellis and Gwyneth Dillon.

21. URGENT BUSINESS UNDER SECTION 100B(4) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972.

There were no urgent business for discussion.

22. NEXT COUNCIL MEETING – THURSDAY 7TH JULY 2022 IN THE MEMORIAL HALL, LLANDEGLA AT 7.00 P.M.