

LLANGYNWYD MIDDLE COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNEDOL LLANGYNWYD CANOLOG



Minutes of the Ordinary Full Council Meeting Llangynwyd Village Hall Monday March 9th 2015

Members Present

Cllr D Berry (Chairperson)
Cllr D Jones
Cllr R M James
Cllr E Guscott
Cllr P Sasiruban
Cllr I Williams
Cllr C Griffiths
Cllr M Griffith Jones
Cllr L Morgan
Cllr D Morgan

Clerk: Mrs N Morgan

The Meeting commenced at 6.30pm and was chaired by Councillor D Berry.

193.15 Apologies for Absence

Councillor T Griffiths sent his apologies.

194.15 Declarations of Interest (in accordance with S51 Local Government Act 2000)

Councillor I Williams	Cwmfelin School Maesteg Comprehensive School Maesteg Town Council Maesteg Celtic RFC
Councillor E Guscott	Cwmfelin Primary School Llangynwyd Primary School
Councillor D Jones	Llangynwyd Rangers
Councillor M James	Bridgend CBC Planning Matters Llangynwyd Village Hall

Ysgol Gyfun Llangynwyd

Councillor P Sasiruban

Village Hall

Councillor M Griffith Jones

Llangynwyd Primary School

195.15 Ratification of Minutes of February 2015 Meeting

Resolved: The minutes were a true recording of proceedings. Proposed by Councillor Williams and seconded by Councillor James.

196.15 Matters Arising from the Minutes

All Matters to discuss were on the agenda.

197.15 Police Matters

There was no police attendance at the meeting however the crime figures were emailed prior to the start of the meeting. The Clerk to contact the police again and request the figures be sent a week earlier so they may be sent to all Councillors prior to the meeting.

The crime figures are as follows:

- Violence against a person Bryn Terrace
- Violence against a person Neuadd Domos
- Damage to property Cwmfelin School
- Burglary Neuadd Domos

198.15 Public Address

There were no members of the public present.

199.15 Correspondence

All matters of correspondence were duly noted.

The letter from BCBC re the summer play schemes was discussed and agreed the Council would continue to provide the play scheme this year. The Clerk to contact BCBC in this regard.

The Clerk advised she had received a telephone call and correspondence from Claire Hamm with

regards the Conservation Area Interpretation Panel. It was agreed that the community council notice board would be moved from the back panel on the bus stop to the side panel in order for the interpretation panel to be placed against the back panel. Claire advised this work should hopefully be completed in the coming week.

It was discussed whether it was community council or BCBC were the owners of the land surrounding the bus stop in Llangynwyd Village as it was overgrown and in need of cutting back. The Clerk advised she had contacted BCBC in this regard but as yet had not received a reply. Councillor James advised it was the Village Association that used to take responsibility for the maintaining of the surrounding area. Claire Hamm did advise as a one off they would look to clear the area prior to installation of the interpretation panel.

All Councillors were provided with a request for financial assistance from Lewis Jones who plays football for Llangynwyd Rangers. The Community council has previously provided financial assistance with regards supporting the local footballer.

The matter was debated somewhat and it was finally agreed to provide £50. The money however was to be paid to Llangynwyd Rangers and then allocated to Lewis Jones and not paid direct to the individual. Councillor D Morgan voted for an increase in the sum however the remaining councillors (excluding Cllr D Jones as he has a declared interest) agreed on the sum of £50.

200.15 Planning

There were no planning applications to discuss. The Clerk advised all the necessary documentation, fees and plans had been provided to BCBC in relation to the storage container at Parc Tir Iarll and hopefully this matter can be dealt with shortly.

201.15 Tourism Signs

Councillor James advised there was a meeting arranged with the safety officer to formalise the go ahead for a sign for Parc Tir Iarll. It was noted however that a brown tourism sign is not possible as there is no record of visitor numbers therefore it will be an ordinary sign. It was discussed and decided if possible, the best place for the sign would be on the roundabout.

202.15 Easter

The Easter event is to take place at Parc Tir Iarll on Saturday April 4th between 10am and 12pm. We already have a banner, the clerk to obtain 500 bilingual leaflets and posters. It was agreed that Councillor D Jones would play the part of the Easter Bunny this year. It was agreed to be at the park by 9am to set up. The Clerk to source Easter eggs and liaise with Nicola re the printing of quiz sheets etc.

203.15 Christmas Lights

All Councillors have been provided with a catalogue of Christmas Lights and after some discussion it was agreed that the clerk would contact Mike Thomas at Centre Great re the cost of installation etc.

204.15 Parc Tir Iarll

The Clerk advised hopefully the planning permission for the storage container would be sorted in the near future.

205.15 Pavilion

The ongoing issue as to whether the pavilion will be transferred was discussed. The Council were advised that Celtic rugby Club still had no further information with regards the same and it's been 2 years now since a meeting was arranged and the running costs of the pavilion were to be provided. Councillor Berry agreed to contact BCBC to see if he can get any further information.

206.15 Dog Fouling and Litter Bins

The matter with regards dog fouling was discussed after last month's representation from Llangynwyd Ranger representatives. The possibility of making the playing field a dog free zone was discussed. The Clerk to contact BCBC to see if this would be possible and whether enforcement officers would patrol the area. Could signs displaying the same be erected and who would pay for the same? It would appear bags and bins are not making a difference. Councillor C Griffiths and Councillor Griffith Jones lobbied for more bags and bins to be provided, the remaining Councillors would rather see a complete ban on dogs being allowed on the playing field.

It was also noted that the bags were going from the post office and the shop and the clerk advised posters were being drawn up to advertise the same.

Councillor Williams advised even if the community council were to purchase additional bins for the area who would empty them?

Councillor James advised the two bins the community council recently placed along the lorry route and BCBC will therefore empty them but bins that are not placed along the route will not be emptied.

The Clerk advised a recent payment had been made to BCBC for the installation of two bins at the cost of £756. The Clerk to query this amount as Councillor Sasiruban paid for one of the bins.

The Clerk advised she has a meeting with Sian Hooper in the coming weeks to arrange collection of the waste from the park.

There has also been a report of a load of black bags of rubbish being thrown into the woods at Parc Tyn y Waun. Councillor James advised BCBC is aware of the perpetrator and measures are being taken to clear the same.

207.15 Committees

There were two vacancies available on the finance committee, and it was agreed these places would be occupied by Councillor T Griffiths and Councillor Sasiruban. The remaining place on the planning committee is to be filled by Councillor T Griffiths.

The report on Democratic Diversity was discussed and it was agreed that Councillor C Griffiths is appointed "Member Champion for Diversity". The Clerk to advise BCBC of the same.

208.15 Open Spaces

Councillor James advised he had made several attempts to contact Macob and the administrators with no success. After some discussion it was agreed that the community council would not look into the adoption of the open spaces. The probation service are maintaining the grass areas for the foreseeable future and should this change then the matter can be discussed at that point.

209.15 Unadopted Lanes

The condition of a number of the lanes in the area was discussed and it was noted that the old Penybont Council didn't adopt any lanes. BCBC have however stated that should the lanes conform to a certain standard they may then consider adopting the same.

Councillor James advised letters had been delivered to residents of Maesteg Road and Station Road previously with regards the adopting of the rear lane. It is however seemingly down to the local residents to maintain the same should they not be adopted. Councillor James advised for the next meeting he shall try and obtain details as to what lanes are unadopted, the cost of repairs and possible funding.

210.15 Members Reports

Councillor D Jones

Councillor Jones advised there was a meeting at Maesteg Town Hall on 10th February where a presentation was given by Richard Hughes with regards the new model to be set up to deliver cultural services. The new company is to be up and running by October 2015 and will remain independent from BCBC but will some services will be streamlined. The Town Hall is currently owned by BCBC and the lease will be transferred to the new company in due course along with the staff and there will be a new board of trustees.

With regards the query of the £1000 annual donation given to the Town Hall by the community council it was verified that future donations could be specifically earmarked for the Town Hall and it would even be possible to specify a certain purpose. It would appear Maesteg Town Hall have received the same advice.

Councillor Guscott

Councillor Guscott advised she attended the Town Hall Centurion Event and it was extremely enjoyable.

Councillor Guscott advised there used to be a bus stop in top Llan and she has been approached by a local resident querying about the reinstating of the same. This matter to be placed on next month's agenda. Councillor Guscott also advised the council of a bench in the Heol y Bryn area that is no longer in existence and queried whether this could be replaced. Councillor Guscott to obtain further

details in this regard.

Councillor Sasiruban

Councillor Sasiruban advised he wanted to donate £50 to the fund for Lewis Jones on behalf of Llan Mini Market. The Clerk to speak with Llan Rangers in this regard.

Councillor James

Councillor James advised the crossing patrol lights outside Cwmfelin School were back on and it may be possible through the safe route to school scheme to get warning speed lights installed.

Councillor James also advised he attended and judged the recent St David's Day Concert at the school and it proved an extremely difficult task!

Councillor Berry

Councillor Berry advised he attended the 100th anniversary concert at the Town Hall and it was fantastic. It was noted however that more should be done to promote the matter to the younger generation.

211.15 Finance and Accounts

The financial records were put before the Council. They were approved by Councillor Williams and seconded by Councillor Guscott.

212.15 Items for the April 2015 Meeting

- Crossing
- Tourism Signs
- Poop Bags
- Lock Up
- War Memorial - inscription
- Lighting
- Co Option of Community Councillor
- Summer Event

- Easter Event
- Pavilion
- Footpaths
- Bus Stop (Top Llan)

213.15 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is to be held at 6:30pm on Monday April 13th 2015 at Llangynwyd Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8:00pm.

Signature of Chairman_____

Name of Chairman in print _____ **Date**_____