

LLANGYNWYD MIDDLE COMMUNITY COUNCIL CYNGOR CYMUNEDOL LLANGYNWYD CANOLOG



Minutes of the Ordinary Full Council Meeting Llangynwyd Village Hall Monday May 11th 2015

Members Present

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

Clerk: Mrs N Morgan

The Meeting commenced at 7pm and was chaired by Councillor D Jones.

23.16 Apologies for Absence

Councillor Griffiths Jones sent her apologies.

24.16 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

Councillor P Sasiruban

Village Hall

25.16 Ratification of Minutes of April 2015 Meeting

There was an amendment to be made to item 19.16 under Cllr L Morgan. In the minutes it states the Mayor and Huw Irranca-Davies were in attendance in the market square during the Ester Procession when in fact they both participated fully in the walk itself.

Cllr James updated the council on the issues surrounding the pavement on Llan Road and advised Mr Mincington of BCBC has inspected the site on 3 occasions (non of which we were advised of prior to his attendance) and he feels it is not necessary for remedial works to be carried out. Cllr Jones advised he was not happy with the lack of communication from the highways officer and he would contact him direct in this matter.

With regards the blocked culvert at footpath 24 Cllr D Morgan advised the culvert has now been cleared and the ground should begin to solidify.

Aside from this one amendment the minutes were resolved as passed by Councillor Williams and seconded by Councillor James

26.16 Matters Arising from the Minutes

All Matters to discuss were on the agenda.

27.16 Police Matters

The Clerk reported that crime figures were not sent once again however it should be noted that there has been a change of staff in Maesteg and surrounding areas and the clerk to request the figures for next month prior to taking the matter further. Councillor Williams had a copy of the figures from Maesteg Town Council:

1 x dwelling burglary

3 x other burglary

7 x theft from vehicle

2 x theft

2 x damage

3 x antisocial behaviour

There was also the query raised that would it be possible to be advised if the offenders had been caught. The clerk to discuss this with the PCSO.

28.16 Public Address

There were no members of the public present.

29.16 Correspondence

All matters of correspondence were duly noted.

The letter received from the police with regards the Easter Procession was discussed and it was agreed for the clerk to contact the Llynfi Valley Council of Churches explaining the position and advising them if possible to contact the police with dates of future processions.

30.16 Planning

There was a planning application for Calfaria Chapel to turn the use of the same into a domestic dwelling. There were no actual objections to the change of use however concerns were raised with regards the parking issues as there is no parking facility detailed in the plans. The Clerk to contact Planning in this matter.

31.16 Tourism Signs

The rights of way officer has confirmed we can add Parc Tir Iarll onto the rights of way signs. The Clerk to contact Rights of Way to confirm the costs as approx £140 and verify whether English and Welsh translations are required.

32.16 Summer Event

There was some discussion over the plans for the summer fete. The clerk advised she had pre-booked the magician, falconry event and the "quack pack". There was a discussion as to whether acts should be pre-booked without the full consent of the council but it was noted no fees have been paid as yet. The clerk to provide a list of stalls and events for the next meeting along with costs. The main topic was whether to have the falconry show and the quack pack as they are £400 each but it was proposed by Cllr Berry and agreed by all then to make the event bigger and better than before we should hire both acts.

The events committee will meet prior to the next council meeting and report back.

33.16 Christmas Lights

The Clerk advised she had spoken with Centre Great regarding Christmas Lights and it was agreed to arrange a meeting with them to discuss installing a light in Cwmfelin, Cross Inn and two on Llan Square.

34.16 Parc Tir Iarll

After the amount of time taken to obtain planning permission for the new lock up at Parc Tir Iarll, the clerk advised BCBC are unhappy with the current siting of the container in situ at present. To get around the obstacles it was agreed to place an alternative container, one twice the size of the one currently in place. The clerk advised all plans had been submitted for the same and it was down to BCBC to process the same.

It was also unanimously agreed to obtain a new picnic bench to place in the park.

35.16 Pavilion

It was noted that Llangynwyd Rangers were expecting a response from BCBC by mid April with regards the pavilion takeover however it seems arrangements to discuss the matter with all user groups had still not been put in place. It was discussed that we are still awaiting the details of running costs from BCBC that were requested some two years ago. Cllr Berry had also made attempts to contact BCBC and has received no reply. The Clerk to chase this matter and place the same on the agenda for June.

36.16 Dog Fouling

The Clerk requested to contact BCBC again in this regard as the response received from Gareth Evans was deemed unsatisfactory. The Clerk to contact David Lynne in the legal department to make further enquiries as to the banning of dogs from the playing field completely. It should be noted there are no dogs on field signs already in place.

The Clerk also to contact Maria Brewster at Llan Rangers and keep her updated of the situation.

In relation to the playing fields Cllr Grantham Brooks was approached recently by a local resident and advised of two youngsters aged 9 and 12 (Abby and Ruby Grant 76 Darren View) who on a weekly basis collect rubbish from the field. The councillors discussed this and it was agreed to write to Abby and Ruby asking them to possibly attend the next meeting. The Clerk to obtain £10 gift vouchers for each of them along with a litter picker.

37.16 Crossing

It was confirmed that Coytrahen community council installed the speed sign and the clerk to make attempts to obtain information relating to the costs of the same.

38.16 Street Lighting

The correspondence from BCBC and communications from Western Power was discussed and it was agreed for Cllr Jones, Cllr Berry and Cllr Williams to attend a site meeting between Maiden Street and Park View to discuss possible alternatives i.e. solar lighting.

39.16 War Memorial

There has been some confusion with regards the war memorial. Planning permission has been submitted for the same however building works have already been carried out at the village hall. It was determined however on the night of the meeting that this wasn't the work of the stone mason rather the village hall themselves had had a base built in preparation. The Clerk to contact the stonemason to see whether the cost of this was in his original quotation?

The village hall had also provided an invoice for the works with the possibility that the community council could possibly donate to the same. This matter to be discussed next month when we know the position with the stonemason.

40.16 Unadopted Lanes

This matter was discussed once more and it was agreed to contact BCBC for written confirmation that should the community council bring the lanes up to the agreed standard that BCBC would then adopt the same.

41.16 Allotment

Councillor James advised the allotment tenant had visited him and advised plants and vegetables had been planted and the allotment was being maintained.

42.16 Clerk's Report

The Clerk requested permission to have full administrative access to the website so it can be ensured it is up to date at all times. This was granted and the clerk to make the necessary arrangements.

43.16 Members Reports

Councillor Guscott

Councillor Guscott advised there is an event celebrating VE Day in the British Legion on Wednesday at 7pm. It was also noted that Councillor Guscott accompanied Cllr Jones to the Mayor's Charity Gala and over £5000 was raised for Alzheimer's Care.

Councillor Jones

Councillor Jones advised he had received a complaint regarding youths kicking footballs at Heol Yr Ysgol. This matter was discussed previously and BCBC advised they didn't have the funds to install a 6 foot chain link fence. The Clerk to possibly obtain quotes for the same.

Councillor C Griffiths

Councillor Griffiths advised he unfortunately missed the last meeting of the Town and Community Council Forum however the two topics discussed were affordable housing and diversity.

Councillor Berry

Councillor Berry advised today he delivered a bouquet of diamond wedding anniversary flowers to the residents of 3 Bridgend Road and they were extremely grateful.

44.16 Finance and Accounts

The exact breakdown for the accounts was provided and it has been requested to add to the same spreadsheet the list of monthly transactions.

The Clerk to contact Joanne Norman re the possible grant for the war memorial.

The accounts were agreed by Cllr Williams and seconded by Cllr Berry.

45.16 Items for the May 2015 Meeting

- Crossing
- War Memorial
- Dog Fouling
- Pavilion
- Parc Tir Iarll
- Summer Event
- Tourism Signs
- Street Lights
- Picnic Bench
- Allotment
- Christmas Lights
- Unadopted Lanes

22.16 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is to be held at 6:30pm on Monday May 11th 2015 at Llangynwyd Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8:10pm.

Signature of Chairman _____

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