

**MINUTES OF LLANGERNYW COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
7:30PM 20TH FEBRUARY 2019 AT THE VESTRY IN PANDY TUDUR**

1 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

1.1 Einir Williams (EW) welcomed everybody to the meeting.

1.2 Present: Diane Roberts (DR), Ann Vaughan (AV), R. Emlyn Williams (REW) and Gwynfor Davies (GD)

1.3 Apologies: Garffild Lloyd Lewis (GLL), Elen H. Edwards (EHE), Clwyd Roberts, Gwyn Williams a Gwydion Jones

2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest.

3 MINUTES TO BE APPROVED

6th February 2019

- 7.2 EW hasn't had time to contact Iona Edwards yet – she will do this by next meeting.

- 8.1 Correction to Cefn Isaf Hill

- 12. Local matters

REW contacted Dei Evans regarding cutting the cemetery lawns and has received a new tender from him. As this is still currently advertised in the Gadlas, it was decided to discuss this at the next meeting.

Fallen tree – Dei had offered to cut and clear the tree immediately for £100 – an invoice for this was presented tonight. The hand rail still needs to be mended.

Correct details to Ffordd Buarth Cerrig – the Council has been since last meeting.

- AV still not received an invoice from Bob Roberts, Tŷ Capel – she will ask again before next meeting.

REW proposed the minutes to be correct apart from points raised above, seconded by AV. Enlli Vaughan to send the Minutes in both Welsh and English to Arfon Parry to load them onto the Bro Cernyw website and copy EW into the email.

DR had received a telephone call from Llinos Roberts about two weeks ago to say that the wind had blown the door of the notice board in Llangernyw. Dyfrig Howatson had been to fix this and has put a piece of wood to keep it closed. Thanks to Llinos Roberts for notifying. Dyfrig Howatson's invoice awaited, once received – also to thank him for mending it so quickly.

4 ROAD MATTERS AND ENVIRONMENT

Works on the road/hill in Pandy Tudur – road is open during the evening until morning. Works not finished yet.

EW reported that Menter a Busnes had decided to give staff a day off to volunteer on St David's Day on 1st March. Local Menter a Busnes staff had decided to collect litter in

Llangernyw and Llanfair TH. AV to contact the Chair of Llangernyw Merched y Wawr to ask if anyone is interest in joining.

DR reported that there is often litter dumped near Cefn Coch Chapel.

Need to mend the hand rail in Llangernyw cemetery as it is dangerous and needs mending as soon as possible due to health and safety risk to the public. REW to arrange this.

5 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Application 0/45939.** EW reported that there was a clause in the original planning application which required a bat survey to be carried out to find out the risk to any bats caused by the turbines. The report concluded that the risk was minimal.

6 COUNCIL MATTERS

6.1 Parish and Town Council Charter

EW felt strongly that this needed to be looked at. This should be homework for all Councillors. DR asked whether anything had come in from Un Llais regarding this. Nothing received so far. This needs to be discussed in detail – to be put on next month's agenda to discuss further.

6.2 Welsh Independent Board and acknowledgement fee

Correspondence received about this. Council still agreed that individuals did not want to take a fee of £150. To be placed on next month's agenda to discuss further.

6.3 Un Llais Cymru – correspondence

Correspondence received discussing that many councils are unhappy with the representation provided. EW did not believe that not being members was wise. REW supported this.

6.4 Minutes Clerk Wages

EW hadn't had time to speak with Iona Edwards yet – she will do this by next meeting.

6.5 Vacancy in Llangernyw ward

EW had received email address for a contact in Conwy Council from GLL, she will enquire by next meeting how to go about advertising – the correct procedure needs to be followed. Next month's agenda.

7 FINANICAL MATTERS

7.1 Application from Menter Hiraethog

EW had received an application following a meeting by Menter Hiraethog. It's a project to support local shows/sheep dog trials etc for a support officer/coordinator for three years. The officer would strengthen the status of the shows etc. To carry on with the application for a grant, they require a contribution. Eirian Bodchwil is the project officer that is dealing with the application. No figure has been specified. Discussed they could potentially make an application to Cronfa Bro Cernyw, but may not fit local criteria. Discussed that this includes Llangernyw and Gwytherin shows and also the hedge cutting event potentially. Discussed whether the Council could contribute or an application to the fund. It would assist knowing how much they are asking for before making a decision. DR raised that only so much is available under the precept for contributions. Discussion that the Council would allow a maximum of £100 to be contributed. EW to ask Eirian for a specific sum so it can be discussed further. Need further discussions if Llangernyw and Gwytherin Shows made an application together.

7.2 Llangernyw Community Council Insurance

GD gave details of the insurance company to EW. EW advised that a representative of the insurance company was at a recent meeting in Builth Wells had said that the insurance is

specialised for councils. The policy renews on 1st June with Aviva through BHIB brokers. Last year's premium was £338.42.

GD gave a copy of Employers' Liability certificate to EW to keep on file as Chair.

To discuss next month – need to ask insurance company to add benches, storage building at Gwytherin Cemetery, phone boxes and bus stops.

8 COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT

GLL had emailed the Chair beforehand with the following report which was read to the councillors in his absence:

“County Council – Full Council will meet next Thursday to set the budget for 2019/20. At the moment, the Cabinet has suggested the following – increase of 9.6% to council tax, education budget cut by 3.6%, Social Care cut by 4% and all other services – highways, leisure, education services etc by 7%. The full Council of 59 members will decide whether to accept the proposal, reject it or propose an alternative budget. I have spent the last weeks meeting teachers, head teachers, governors and union officials, and I am very conscious that these cuts will have a significant impact on our schools and other services. Unfortunately, Conwy Council has received a poor financial settlement by the Welsh Government – that and the increasing pressure on our social care services and education, resulting in us facing a deficit of approx. £15million in the budget, and that is why we need to take the steps discussed above.

Locally, following my report in the last meeting about the intention to create a community transport service in the area, EHE and the Local Team have succeeded to obtain grant funding to undertake a study to assess the need of such a service. I believe that a request will be made for a contribution from Llangernyw Community Council and Llanfair TH Community Council towards the study.

Gwytherin Broadband – I have not yet received any correspondence from the resident that was complaining of deficiency of service in her home.

Unfortunately, I missed the last date to contribute to the Gadlas this month but I aim to do so next month.

The email address for the Conwy Council official dealing with Local Councils, precept, advertising for new councillor etc has been forwarded to EW.

Condition of the road from 4 Croesffordd to Llangernyw. Have passed this on to the Highways department.

A letter has been sent to the owner of the Hen Efail to note the decision reached at the last meeting relating to the two options discussed.

I will be contacting the other groups in the village with the two options shortly.

I have advised Linda Kettle of the decision reached at the last Council meeting relating to the Hen Efail.”

9 COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

Conwy Cynhalio – correspondence received regarding Cludiant Bro Cernyw to be discussed at next meeting to allow all councillors to review.

10 CORRESPONDENCE

Egni Co-op. Offer by a company to install solar panels on school roofs etc. No time to make planning applications now before closing date, decided not to do anything with this.

Blaenoriaethau Heddlu Gogledd Cymru – for information only.

Requests for money from Bara Caws, Eisteddfod Ryngwladol Llangollen and Dawns i Bawb. Decided not to give any money as decided in the past.

11 BILLS

Capel y Cwm for renting the vestry for last meeting on 6th February 2019. Decided £10 contribution as agreed at that meeting – cheque to be passed on to Menna Williams on behalf of the Chapel.

Dei Evans – for cutting and clearing the tree at Llangernyw Cemetery for £100. Agreed to pay.

12 LOCAL MATTERS

DR – member of the public had asked whether it was possible to install a mirror opposite the entrance to the main road from direction of Hafodunos past the antiques shop to the main road in Llangernyw when turning right towards Llanrwst. Discussed that this has been raised in the past and that Conwy Council were unwilling to allow this. It would not be possible to allow the mirror to be put on the Church buildings. Another question raised was whether buntings etc would be adorning the village for the National Eisteddfod in August. Discussed that buntings will be put up, this needs to be discussed further at next meeting.

Dip in the road opposite Capel y Cwm when turning into Glan Collen – Conwy don't seem to be concerned about this although DR has been in contact to advise. DR to contact Sian Gwenllian at Conwy Council and copy GLL into the email for his information and to take the matter further.

Member of public also asked whether the hedge opposite Swn y Nant has been cut – she had not had time to check but will do for next meeting.

GD – water running down the hill Pandy Tudur – need to keep an eye on this once the tarmacking work has finished.

GD asked about the bank mandate. EW reported that the position is still the same. She is still waiting on hearing further from the bank.

13 NEXT MEETING

7:30pm on 27th March 2019 at Gwytherin

Agenda 27th March 2019

- Tender for cutting grass at the cemeteries
- Parish and Town Council Charter
- Welsh Independent Board and acknowledgement fee
- Vacancy in Llangernyw ward
- Llangernyw Community Council Insurance
- National Eisteddfod

Meeting concluded 9:05pm
Minutes taken by Enlli Vaughan.