

BRO CERNYW COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JULY 17TH 2024 AM 7:30PM
HELD IN LLANGERNYW

1 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

1.1 All were welcomed by Clwyd Roberts (CR)

1.2 Present: Einir Williams (EW), Jane Roberts (JR), Ann Vaughan (AV), Myrddin Davies (MGD), Diane Roberts (DR), Euros Williams (EUW), Austin Roberts (AR) & Catrin Griffiths (Clerk, CWG)

1.3 Apologies: Gwydion Jones (GJ) & Sara Thomas (ST)

2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

No declaration.

3 MINUTES TO APPROVE – 26TH JUNE 2024

Proposed correct by MGD and seconded by AV.

4 MATTERS ARISING

4.1 Bike safe signs - AV said that the signs have still not arrived and JR added that numerous vehicles speed over the limit on local roads. DR noted that the flashing lights near Parc Aelas do slow motorists down and also said that Llanrhaeadr Community Council had only paid £4,000 for their sign. AV said that the police are supposed to place bike safe signs and she had spoken with Darren Millar to try and move this along. Decided that CWG should write to Darren Miller supporting what AV has requested.

4.2 Old shop in Llangernyw - AV had contacted AR during the month as slates have fallen off the roof. The County Council have placed cones to try and keep people from the building. There is no record on the Land Registry of ownership therefore decided that CWG should write to Mrs Mackeson-Sandbach requesting support with this due to concerns from the community about safety of building.

4.3 The Rock Garden – had been cut by Wil Edwards during the month and CR noted that it is very tidy.

4.4 DR had attended an Un Llais meeting and discussed that it was up to the council if they make accruals or not if the turnover is under £100,000. CWG said that Mel had sent a document to the Community Council in writing that there is no need to make accruals.

4.5 New no dog fouling signs have gone up near Parc Aelas and the County Council will cut the brambles that have overgrown there.

4.6 Defibrillator – During the month CWG had heard from Tomos that they will not fund the batteries and that new pads cost around £30 for normal ones and £150 for good ones. CR & CWG met with Ifan Rowlands of the County Council to discuss new potential sites for the new defibrillator, there was no suitable pole available and that on the front of the Stag would be the best location. CWG to speak with Darryl or Maria to see if it is possible to site it there as the grant funds have been received, CWG can arrange to order the defibrillator now. Agreed to ask for it to work by inputting a code and a Clocaenog grant logo be placed on it.

4.7 CWG had received an email from Independent Remuneration Panel Wales responding to an email dated 13/5/24 confirming receipt and noted that no Councillor received an allowance for 2023-24.

4.8 Un Llais local area meeting – DR’s report sent to everyone by email. Bodelwyddan Community Council had received an inspection bill of £1,300. MGD asked if an inspection is necessary and that a quote should be received beforehand.

4.9 Broken flower tub near Glan Collen– the county council has requested evidence that they broke it. JR said that she saw what happened, a worker drove over it and stopped to look.

5 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

5.1 0/51787 Bont Syllty, Llangernyw LL22 8RL

All in agreement.

[AR arrived]

5.2 0/51790 Tŷ Uchaf, Llangernyw LL22 8RS

EW said that it saves the building and JR added that it would be a home for a young person. All in agreement.

6 COUNCIL MATTERS

6.1 Sub-committees – CWG asked how often they need to meet during a year.

The cemeteries sub-committee meets usually at the beginning of the year and the footpaths and environment sub-committee in September.

6.2 EW will attend The Council as an Employer on 4/9/24 and a bursary is available for someone else to also attend. DR said she would like to attend a course on how to engage with the community.

6.3 There is an empty seat following Mark Davies’ resignation as a Councillor. CR said he was very sad as Mark had been very active in the community and it will be a huge loss. CWG to contact Sian Branwen Williams at the County Council to ask for guidance on what to do next.

7 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

7.1 Discussed all the problems about the skips and recycling and passed that CWG should send a letter to the County Council noting the side effects of the cuts the council has made.

7.2 Resurfacing work near Hafodunos has not yet been completed due to the weather but hopefully this will be done next week.

7.3 Work near Glan Aber has been completed but further work will be required in the future.

7.4 Old shop (Llangernyw) - AR had notified Emyr, then Building Control and cones have been placed near the building. The County Council will contact the owner and will have an update by the next meeting.

7.5 Tŷ Du – AR had visited and seen that there were no bags there. He had spoken with the environmental department and they had taken the address to see if it is let as a holiday home. AR will contact the owner and the bags will need to be placed in a suitable bin and they will have to pay to remove.

7.6 Flower pot – as JR is an eye witness, AR will contact Emyr to try and resolve the situation. AR had cut around the flower pots in Pandy Tudur himself as they are not the responsibility of the County Council, all thanked him for his work.

7.7 AR had forwarded an email from Menter Môn to everyone this evening. They are researching into digital connectivity in the countryside. If you know of anyone interested then contact them and they would arrange an open day in the village. CWG to advertise on the website and noticeboard.

DR asked about the climate challenge by Conwy Council that discusses adapting buildings into affordable homes, does the council have any plans? AR responded that the County Council has just passed a new plan in Colwyn Bay to adapt old homes for the elderly into affordable flats.

MGD asked AR when he next goes around with Emyr could they go past Foel Gadeiriau as there are a lot of potholes in the area. CR also said that there is a pothole near Ty'n y Caeau. AV asked why the road was closed near Waterloo past Tan y Graig last week? AR will make enquiries tomorrow.

EUW said that the road from Gwytherin to Pandy Tudur was closed and nobody knew why. AR said that a lot of roads were closed due to water problems. DR said that the Llangernyw bridge had been hit and is deteriorating, AR will ask for it to be inspected. DR also raised that Denbighshire Council are charging a lot less for the speed signs than Conwy? AR will make enquiries.

8 MATTERS ARISING

8.1 Quarterly report – had been shared with everyone via email, all in agreement.

9 CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 Information about a grant by Tesco for the Abergele area. CWG to share on the website and noticeboard.

9.2 Received a message from Darren Millar offering to attend a meeting to discuss and take back to the Senedd. Decided to ask him to attend either September or October meeting, whichever date best suits him.

The following has been forwarded to everyone on email:

9.3 Information about free training for Councillors by Conwy Borough County Council.

9.4 Un Llais Cymru training dates July, August and September.

9.5 Email from Melissa Davies of Conwy Council asking about events and contact details between now and the end of August. CWG had responded and thanked DR & EW for agreeing for their details to be shared as representatives for the shows.

9.6 Consultation about Council Tax for second and empty homes.

9.7 Climate Challenge Newsletter from Conwy Council

9.8 Development Project under Community Guidance – grant of up to £10,000 in Conwy Council and Community Councils are eligible to make an application.

9.9 Letter received from a member of the public asking to bury ashes in the cemetery in Llangernyw, all in agreement.

10 BILLS

10.1 Translating - Enlli - £95

10.2 Grass cutting - Dei Evans for June and July - £460 x2 = £920

10.3 Wil Edwards - 3.5 hours strimming in the rock garden - £40

10.4 Iona for looking over the minutes/accounts £120

All in agreement to pay the above.

11 LOCAL MATTERS

MGD – asked if the Community Council would consider contacting Welsh Water on behalf of the community to request an explanation of what is happening, reimbursement and make good. CWG to write a letter to Welsh Water.

EUW – the notice board in Gwytherin needs to be repaired or replaced. CR suggested asking Geraint if it can be repaired or make a new one, if not then to ask Kevin Roberts.

DR – said that she would stain the notice board near the Church in Llangernyw.

EW – online banking with HSBC – will arrange to meet CWG over the summer to sort this.

JR – said that trees had been cut near Pen y Bont and that the sawdust had come down with water over the public footpath. JR will make enquiries about who is the owner.

AV – Need to cut overgrown grass in the cemetery in Llangernyw before a burial takes place there. If Dei cannot do it then someone else will need to be asked. Asked if a card could be sent to Mark to thank him for his work. CR replied that the Community Council does not do this but that his hard work is acknowledged and he had thanked him over email.

12 NEXT MEETING

September 25th 2024 at Gwytherin.

Meeting concluded 21:20

Minutes taken by CWG.