

**LLANGERNYW COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**25<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2024 AT 7:30PM**  
**HELD AT GWYTHERIN**

**1 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES**

**1.1** All were welcomed by Clwyd Roberts (CR)

**1.2** Present: Jane Roberts (JR), Ann Vaughan (AV), Diane Roberts (DR), Sara Thomas (ST), Gwydion Jones (GJ), Euros Williams (EUW), & Catrin Griffiths (Clerk, CWG)

**1.3** Apologies: Austin Roberts (AR), Myrddin Davies (MGD), Eimir Williams (EW)

**2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

No declaration

**3 MINUTES TO APPROVE - 17<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2024**

Proposed correct by DR and seconded by AV.

**4 MATTERS ARISING**

**4.1** Bike safe – AV said that signs have been erected from Llanfair Talhaiarn to Abergele but will be meeting officials soon to say where they are needed properly. At the moment they are attached with cable ties meaning the signs get blown around and therefore not suitable. AV also noted that the Old Shop's condition is deteriorating and has had confirmation of ownership. AV reminded about the flower tub that has broken in Glan Collen and would need to ask AR for an update.

**4.2** Welsh Water – all residents in the area have received a letter from them recently discussing the issues over the past few months.

**4.3** Gwytherin Noticeboard– EUW had found out over the summer that this isn't worth repairing. Agreed that EUW should ask Geraint for a price for a new one.

**4.4** Pen y Bont – refuse bags attract rats but AR is aware of the situation and is working to resolve it.

**4.5** VAS Signs - CWG had heard back from Richard Roberts about the difference in sign prices between Conwy and Denbighshire. The current signs were chosen by an ex-manager and will be having a conversation about their line manager in case they need to look again at this in the future.

**4.6** Darren Millar – can be present at the meeting in Pandy Tudur on 30<sup>th</sup> October. He has also sent an email over the summer with a letter he received from Conwy Council regarding the bike safe signs. He has chased them numerous times to get the signs to Llangernyw.

**4.3** New defibrillator installed on the front of the Stag on 13/9/24. Need to arrange time for a photo for the Gadlas. Also, CWG to ask Tomos Hughes what would be suitable as an electricity contribution.

**4.4** Inspection – still not had the information about the Vat from the accountant therefore needed to present everything as it was by the closing date. They said that additional information can be forwarded by email once ready by the accountant.

**4.5** Llangernyw Cemetery – AV said that the grass left to nature has been cut accidentally by a group doing community service. She has explained the situation to Dei Evans. The group has

also contacted to ask if they can cut the grass again but there is a contract in place with Dei to do this. CWG to contact Steve to explain this.

## **5 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**5.1** 0/51880 Gwynant, 3 Glandwr Terrace, Pandy Tudur LL22 8UL

It was discussed that the development is important to secure assets and all in agreement.

**5.2** 0/51930 Fron Deg, Llanrwst, LL26 0NT

All in agreement.

**5.3** 0/51955 Bryn Celyn, Pandy Tudur LL22 8UL

All in agreement.

## **6 COUNCIL MATTERS**

**6.1** The Post Office had sent a letter by way of reply to AR during the month advising they have been monitoring the usage and as there is not enough demand it will close. CWG had sent a letter to the Post Office to express concern about losing an important asset to the area but she has not received a response. JR noted that the postmistress has said that the Post Office will be open next week all the time but she had actually resigned since May and this would affect the survey and usage. Darren Millar is dealing with the situation.

**6.2** As Mark Davies has resigned as a councillor, CWG to ask HSBC to amend the bank mandate to remove his name.

**6.3** Empty seat – DR has spoken with a member of the public who is keen and would present an application letter soon. JR is also aware of a member of the public who has an interest therefore decided to put a closing date of 30<sup>th</sup> October which is the next meeting date.

## **7 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

**7.1** Tŷ Ucha – Frwynos family's application has been permitted.

**7.2** Post Office – already sent the Post Office's response to you, I would also like the Community Council to send them an email also.

**7.3** Tŷ Newydd Pennant road – the condition of the bridge/culvert had deteriorated therefore the Council has done temporary works and a new culvert/bridge will hopefully be in place by next Summer.

**7.4** Pandy and Llangernyw bridges still being inspected regularly.

**7.5** Waterloo hill – the work on the wall will be completed at the end of this year/beginning of next year.

**7.6** Ysgubor Newydd – works on the A548 have been completed and traffic lights removed.

**7.7** Holland Arms – resurfacing work B5113 to be carried out approx. 100 metres either side of the public house this week or next.

**7.8** Glan Collen - Catrin has received a complaint from an estate resident that there are people speeding on the estate roads. The council will place a speed monitor there for a month.

## **8 MONITORY MATTERS**

**8.1** Letter received from Cerebral Palsy Wales asking for a contribution. Decided not to contribute.

**8.2** Three persons in agreement to pay 2 invoices during the month for 2 sets of pads which expired on 23<sup>rd</sup> August and another for the defibrillator and housing unit therefore CWG has paid.

**8.3** Payment notice for precept from CBSC on 15/8/24 for £3409.

**8.4** Email received from Inspectorate Wales about an outstanding invoice for 2017-18 audit for £507.60. DR said that Bodelwyddan had asked for an itemised invoice and also asked if they are

permitted to send invoices for so long ago? The Community Council used to pay around £345 during this period and it is not fair due to the set precept. CWG to ask Inspectorate Wales for an itemised invoice.

**8.5** Email from Urdd in Conwy asking for a contribution. Decided not to contribute.

## **9 CORRESPONDENCE**

**9.1** Email received over the summer asking for contact details for North Wales Pilgrim's Way Group discussed in May's meeting. CWG had responded with the information.

**9.2** Email received from Dyffryn Memorials asking if kerb sets are permitted – had responded they are not anymore to ease cutting the grass. CWG had forwarded the email on to Austin who was going to ask the County Council if they would supply the signs. JR said that the problem is severe. EUW said that perhaps speed bumps would be better. As AR had mentioned that monitoring would be happening, it was decided that CWG was to ask him exactly when this was going to take place as it was concerning everyone.

**9.3** Letter received back from Conwy Council regarding the issue with the skips. They had noted that they didn't believe that community councils needed to use private companies as there are plenty of provisions and options for recycling and waste disposal in existence.

Sent on to everyone for information:

**9.4** Community orchard packs free from Keep Wales Tidy

**9.5** Consultation launch - role, governance and accountability for town and country councils – email from Un Llais Cymru

**9.6** Digital Users Community launch for Town and Community Councils from Un Llais Cymru

**9.7** Council Tax consultation from Conwy County Council

**9.8** Guidance to 2026 Inspection from Wales Government

**9.9** Information about Place Plans from Conwy Council

**9.10** Introduction by Inspectorate Wales to Committee for Larger Council

**9.11** Keep Wales Tidy – free garden packs

**9.12** Nominations for Conwy and Denbighshire Area Committee Officials Un Llais Cymru

**9.13** Un Llais Cymru National Conference in Builth Wells on 16/10/24

**9.14** Un Llais Cymru training dates for August and September

**9.15** Free energy survey for community buildings from Conwy Council

**9.16** Council tax consultation (reminder, closing date 18<sup>th</sup> August)

**9.17** Online course – Introduction to The Eden Project's Community Action Course

**9.18** Free resources to assist with unlawful tipping in communities from Un Llais Cymru

**9.19** Email from Welsh Water providing information about what has been happening recently

**9.20** News from Cost of Living Support Team from Un Llais Cymru

**9.21** Bionet Awards Un Llais Cymru

**9.22** Digital Practice Community Un Llais Cymru 10<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm

**9.23** Councils Contact and Cost of Living Plans from Un Llais Cymru

**9.24** Online event held by SLCC and Un Llais Cymru - 20.11.24

**9.25** Developing under community guidance in Conwy

**9.26** Un Llais Cymru training dates for September to December

## **10 BILLS**

**10.1** Dei Evans – cutting grass in the cemeteries for August £460, also September £460 and for strimming the side in Gwytherin £180, total £1,100

**10.2** Electrician invoice to place the defibrillator on the Stag, materials £67.76, labour £189 total £256.76

**10.3** Website upkeep invoice from Arfon Parry of cradur.com Parry o cradur.com - £178

**10.4** Enlli translating invoice - £95

All agreed to pay the above.

## **11 LOCAL MATTERS**

**ST** Overgrowth of ivy and brambles on the road near Pen Fron. Decided that CWG to ask AR if the council can cut this.

**DR** She had received blue paint free of charge from a member of the public for the wooden flower pots but all decided that it would be better to keep them green. She has found that someone wants to buy the land behind the school. Also, she has been brushing the bus stop near the shop and cleaned it as tomato sauce had been thrown on the walls. She will also clean and paint the bus stop. Additionally she has filled the hanging basket with flowers and stained the noticeboard. Unfortunately, the top of the noticeboard has deteriorated. She is concerned about cars speeding through the village and is passing on number plates and model details to the police. She asked for permission to attend a course to engage with the community and all agreed.

**EUW** She said that the white steel fence near the crossroads by Tyn y Bryn, Ty'n Caeau and Bont Sylltu needs to be repaired. Decided that CWG should ask AR if the council can do this. Also, dogs are still going into the playing field jumping over the no dogs sign. CWG to report this back to AR.

**JR** Said that there is overgrowth of brambles on the Hafodunos road. She has had a remark from a member of the public that there are a lot of Air BnB's in Llangernyw and a lot of people walking dogs past Fedwen Arian.

**AV** Said that 2 flower tubs in the church cemetery have been re-filled and had received a letter from a member of the public wanting to plant a tree to remember a family member. They asked for a suitable location in the area to plant it and also a suggestion of a suitable tree to purchase. JR said that the area designated to nature in the cemetery would be suitable and all in agreement. Discussion about the type of tree and decided either acer, silver birch or ash would be suitable.

AV also said that Keep Wales Tidy had given the Cwm Museum a grant for Incredible Edible to plant vegetables. They also plan on being active with the school. She asked if it would be possible to re-start the Gardening Club. Decided to hold a public meeting to start a new one on 24/10/24 at 7:30pm in Llangernyw. Need to advertise on Facebook, the school, noticeboards and website. JR will ask Rhys from Porthmadog (who is on the gardening programme *Garddio a Mwy*) if he can be a guest speaker and ask him to speak for around 20-25 minutes. It would be a public meeting, no entrance fee, with a meeting following the guest speaker and CR to lead the evening.

As the next meeting falls during half term, it was decided to try and move it a week sooner. CWG will ask Darren Millar if he can attend the Community Council meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> October instead.

## **12 NEXT MEETING**

30<sup>th</sup> October (may be moved to 23<sup>rd</sup> October) 2024 at Pandy Tudur.

Meeting concluded at 21:20.

Minutes taken by CWG.