

Minutes of the meeting of the Llandyrnog Community Council held on the 20th May 2014

Present: Cllr.Hugh Sinclair, A.Thomas.M.Parry,D.Humphreys,H.Wright,Helen W.Jones.R.Jones.R.Giffith

Apologies: Cllrs.G.C.Evans,J.A.Jones

The meeting was Chaired by Cllr.R.Griffith

Community Policeman: Sargeant 2532 Jaggard and PCSO 3008 Williams were in attendance.

Sgt.Jaggard was representing Chief Inspector Devonport who had sent his apologies .

Whilst PCSO reported on very low levels of incidents in the area over the last month Sgt.Jaggard gave an overview of the policing arrangements in the rural division – the manned stations being Denbigh, Ruthin, Llanrwst and Llangollen. At any one shift the area would be covered by four Constables and six PCSO's. There was more emphasis on pro active campaigns – Sgt Jaggard quoted operation sodium which was the summer drink drive campaign, the Deadly Mates Campaign targeting vehicles carrying more than one young adult, a seat belt campaign was imminent.

Concerns were raised by Cllrs about the speed of the large agricultural contractors vehicles passing through the village especially during silage time – Police took on board a suggestion to possibly visit the main agricultural contractors in the area to highlight the fact that concerns had been raised and to advise their drivers accordingly – they being mostly casual rather than professional drivers,

Confirmation of Minutes

- It was proposed and seconded that the minutes as presented were a true record of the proceedings of the April meeting and signed by the Clerk.

Matters Arising

- Public Access Defibrillator (PAD) extremely generous donation of £400 received from John and Gaenor Barnett towards the cost of the PAD units – Clerk to order cabinet and letter of thanks to John and Gaenor.
- Footpath Co ordinators – Clerk had contacted Adrian Walls who asked the Clerk to organise a meeting and he would attend to advise and train.
- Brynlllys Corner – surface had been ' hammer treated' repaired recently and was awaiting final surfacing.
- Maes Clwyd environemtal improvements – update by Cllr Parry – works to be programmed but would not include works to the green area – works not programmed and no funding available – also since most of the occupants had purchased the properties sharing the cost of maintenance may well prove difficult to manage.
- Waymarker to rear of Lletty – Clerk had discussed with A.Walls – message that the waymarker was down had been forwarded to the Countryside Services in Loggerheads who were responsible for this sign.

Reports:

- Cllr R.Jones gave a verbal report on a recent Highfield Park Liason Group. Works on the three units were progressing well with completion due early 2015. Concers raised by

residents via the Community Council were being addressed the residents being represented at the meeting and a site meeting being arranged so that individual concerns could be heard.

Correspondence

- e mail DCC – assistance available with preparing housing needs survey if required however all costs would need to be carried by community council.
- E mail Chief Inspector Devonport Tuesday morning – unable to attend meeting.
- DCC – letter from DCC Empty Homes Officer – Clerk to respond with list of possible candidates for the initiative.
- E mail Cllr Parry to DCC requesting they tidy the land to the side of the Maes Llan bus stop/rear of Nant Glyd.

Financial Report

Each member was given a written report confirming as follows:

Receipts to date of £3355.00 against a budget of £11,558.00

Payments to date of £869.00 against a budget of £10971.12

reconciliation of treasurers account showing total of £6222.12

reconciliation of business account showing total of £8795.33

Matters for Payment

J.A.Jones	£62.00	Litter picking at cae nant
Mrs.Rawthorne	£31.25	Cleaning of cocoa room
DCC	£114.13	Repayment of Clerks Wages
Turtle Engineering	£500.00	PAD cabinet

It was proposed and seconded that the above matters be cleared for payment.

Planning Matters

Application	18/2014/0454
proposal	Demolition of conservatory and erection of two storey extension
location	Bracken Hill Farm
Observations of CC	Support the application

Cllr. Parry present but did not participate in the discussion

Members Items

- work progressing on the bridge between Llandyrnog and Llanynys.
- Condition of fence between rear Olivers Row and Cae Nant – reports of persons going over fence to get ball and damaging the fences.
- Report of excessively wide vehicle using the Llangwyfan/Llangynhafal road damaging the verges – maybe this was a one off and the situation to be monitored before further action is taken
- reports that the OWL initiative was simply not working- no text alerts relayed.
- Damaged style path 26 rear of Nant Glyd/Ty'n Caeau – Clerk to relay to DCC
- rainwater pipe damaged on cocoa rooms – Clerk to organise repair.

Minutes of the meeting of the Llandyrnog Community Council held on the 15th April 2014

Present: Cllrs.R.Griffith,A.Thomas,G.C.Evans.Hazel Wright, M.Parry,R.Jones,J.A.Jones

Apologies:Cllrs.H.Wilson Jones and H.Sinclair

The meeting was Chaired by Cllr.R.Griffith

John Mc Guire _ Mr Mc Guire gave a presentation on the Heartsafe initiative - Public Access Defibrillators (PAD) intalled in places where public could gain access to defibrillators and carry out basic first aid in the event of a cardiac arres. Although the ambulance response times were an average of 9.5 minutes the access to a PAD would assist in such situations. A PAD is normally kept in a visible case in a public place with access via pincode – the code would be given to member of public in the event of them dialling 999 and would also be known to the public and the unit would be permanently trickle charged. Basic training would be provided however the units were simple to use and clear audible instructions given once the unit was activated.

The budget cost of a cabinet would be in the region of £525 and a PAD Unit £800.

After a discussion it was agreed that the community would benefit from having such a facility and to proceed with the purchase and training and also to extend training to cover whole community or interested parties.

Community Policeman: PC's 3475 and 3008 were in attendance.

Regular speed checks had been carried out around the school area and other areas of concern and although there were one or two incident of excesses generally the speed of vehicles was within the recognised speed limit.

Members took on board the comments and requested that the NWP concentrate maybe in the Highfield area where there reports on a regular basis of doubtful driving practices – failing to stop at junctions and squaring off corners especially at times of staff changeover.

The PCSO's agreed to monitor the situation.

There were reports the driver of a large white Transit van availing himself of contents of local skips and the registration had been passed onto Police via 101 and matter was being dealt with.

Confirmation of Minutes

- It was proposed and seconded that the minutes as presented were a true record of the proceedings of the March meeting and signed by the Clerk.

Matters Arising

- **Path 30** – styles had been erected and path now open
- **First floor room** – still not cleared – Clerk to contact tenant
- **Brynllys Corner** – surface had been temporarily 'hammered' to increase the traction awaiting surfacing later on in the financial year.

- **Cyclists in Coed Llangwyfan** – the Wardens had increased their presence especially at weekend and although the situation had improved with most cyclists taking advice – there were a handful of cyclists from outside the area who held an extreme view that it was their right to use the forest to pursue their passion irrespective of advice given. It was a matter of perseverance.
- **Village Spring Clean** – had been a huge success with over twenty volunteers turning up and about twenty bags of rubbish collected from around the Parish. Thanks had been extended to Gareth Jones for providing the equipment and to DCC for arranging to collect the debris on Sunday. Gareth Jones confirmed that he was delighted with the response and there more volunteers in Llandyrnog than other neighbouring towns put together.
- **Footpath Co-ordinators** – there were enough volunteers now to arrange a meeting in between council meetings to put together a team – Clerk to contact Adrian Walls.
- **Website** – following last meeting Cllrs Parry, Griffith, Wright and Clerk had sat down with Andrew Murgatroyd and were in the process of setting up another website which was more community based – once the website was populated the existing website would be removed. Work in progress and further reports as work progressed.
- **Path 56** - Trees still across however matter had been reported and confirmation received that the work was in hand.

Reports:

- Cllrs.Evans and Thomas had recently represented Llandyrnog in a One Voice Wales meeting in Abergele but were not inspired by the proceedings and questioned the value of attending further meetings.

Correspondence

- **Chris Ruane** – Wales In Bloom Launch 9th May
- **Cllrs Parry/G Connell** – cyclists in Llangwyfan forest
- **E Mail DCC** – confirmation works at Brynlllys to be carried out in April – work completed
- **E mail Cllr Sinclair** – Mr Hall unhappy about the existing website – work in progress.
- **Chief Inspector Davenport** – would be able to attend May meeting
- letter of thanks Tuesday Club
- E mail of thanks from Church Yard Maintenance team
- **E mail DCC** – road by Cerrig Llwydion had been patched.
- **Ann Jones** – surgery times

Financial Report

Each member was given a written report confirming as follows:

Receipts to date of £11,511.09 against a budget of £11,461.50
 Payments to date of £13,644.08 against a budget of £10,971.12

reconciliation of treasurers account showing total of £6222.12
 reconciliation of business account showing total of £9235.45

Clerk reported that the major overspend was on the works to Church Square and that funds would need to be transferred to cover this. There was a request made that the tarmacing works not included in Cocoa Room funding and should be shown separately as it was a one off without prejudice payment.

Matters for Payment

J.A.Jones	£50.00	Litter picking at cae nant
Mrs.Rawthorne	£25.00	Cleaning of cocoa rooms
Mrs Heaphy	£100.00	Booking Clerk honorarium

AON Insurance	£467.79	Council Insurance
Church Yard Maintenance	£12.00	Interest of G.H.Foulkes memorial fund

J.A.Jones declared an interest.

It was proposed and seconded that the above matters be cleared for payment.

Planning Matters

Application	18/2014/0372
proposal	Rebuild overhead line using additional conductors and wood poles and erect 11V overhead line.
location	Mill Farm, Llandyrnog
Observations of CC	Support the application

application	18/2014/0341
Proposal	Erection of bolt down shed for storage of pallets, pallet trucks and storage related items
location	Speddyd Farm, Llandyrnog
Observations	No comments – support the application

application	18/2014/0303
proposal	Felling of sycamore trees an reduction in canopy of sycamore and elm trees
location	11 Parc Ty'n Llan, Llandyrnog
Observations of CC	Matter dealt with in between meetings – no objections

Cllr. Parry present but did not participate in the discussion

Members Items

- Persons in van had been seen in Cae Nant exercising their dogs on the play and muga areas – members urged to be vigilant and any further incidents relay registration to Clerk immediately. Additional signs to be purchased
- DCC to carry out a pilot scheme advising that the speed of traffic would be reduced to 20mph around the school area and extend the 30mph out towards the Waen area.
- Maes Clwyd – ongoing discussions about the environmental improvements to the estate
- Path 26 rear of Nant Glyd – request for additional bin – member agreed that it would be unwise to put a bin in this location – DCC very unlikely to go off route to empty a bin in this location – increase litter pick as and when required.
- It was reported that there had been a marked increase in the number of heavy goods vehicles entering the village from the Llanychan area these vehicles having left the main road at Llanbedr although there were advisory signs at that point. Clerk to discuss the matter with Arla Manager.
- Request for replacing tiles in cocoa rooms – Clerk to put work in hand
- Housing Needs Survey – Clerk to contact DCC to seek advice as to whom should carry out such a survey now that they do not employ a Housing Enabler.

- House opposite Gables – concerns about visibility.
- Waymarker down Path 17 rear of Llety Farm – Clerk to contact A.Walls since the status of this path is not clear.