

Minutes of the meeting of the Llandyrnog Community Council on the 20th October 2015 at Llandyrnog Creamery

Present: D.Humphreys; J.A.Jones; John Mc Guire; H.Sinclair; G.C.Evans;
Aled Thomas; R.Jones; M.Parry; R.Griffith; H.Wright

The meeting was chaired by Cllr.R.Griffith

Presentation by representatives of Arla Creamery – Nigel Tynan and Martin Plumb.

It was good to see two local young men giving a very professional presentation about Arla – one of the key players in the dairy products industry and with a turnover of £2.2bn.

Investment levels at Llandyrnog were excellent with an average of the last four years of £3.32m per annum.

Production in 2008 was 10,000 tons per annum and the aspiration for 2018 was 40,000 tons per annum

Llandyrnog was instrumental in the development of WPC (Whey Permiate Concentrate) which at one time was a by product and waste now widely used in the protein food market with two loads per week going to Denmark for final processing.

The Creamery employs approx. 100 people and operates 24/7.

£1.2m had been invested in an effluent treatment plant to clean all water before re cycling and consolidate the waste which was taken off site and used as fertilizer.

Martin and Nigel were thanked for the welcome that the CC had received, the refreshments and the extremely informative tour of the site.

Community Policeman: Community Policeman not present and there were no issues to be reported .

Confirmation of Minutes

The Clerk was asked to amend the minutes to reflect the fact that a letter of resignation had been accepted from Cllr H.Wilson Jones and that a note of thanks needed to be sent to D.Lawton thanking him for his work with the children of the village during the summer – organising the cricket training.

Following those amendments it was proposed that the minutes were a true record of the September meeting.

2)Matters Arising

2.1) Lease for Pavilion – Cllr Parry reported that a copy of the original lease had now been found and both parties were in the process of amending the Lease to reflect the present situation

2.2) Informal Play Area – it was reported that the handover of the informal play area in Ty'n Llan was imminent and Members discussed the maintenance regime

2.3) Motorhome and car illegally parked at Cae Nant – both vehicles had now been removed and Clerk was authorised to spend £140 plus Vat on supply fixing of new sign NO OVERNIGHT PARKING.

2.4) Gullies in Nant Glyd had still not been cleaned – Clerk to remind DCC

2.5) Members commented that the new 40mph limit had made a marked difference and Cllr Parry reported that the new 20mph advisory signs around the school would be put in place in the near future.

2.6) Cllr Sinclair had sourced suitable lights for the Christmas tree and was requested to proceed with the purchase for a sum in the region of £180.00 – Cllr Sinclair was thanked for his work.

2.7) roller had been removed from Cae Nant

3.) Reports

3.1) Cllrs Evans and Thomas had attended a One Voice Wales meeting at Denbigh and two points of concern were raised:

Security – it was important that Council documents were not stored on a public computer and it was advisable that Community Councils had their own laptops

The fact that the new audit company was based in England however the Clerk advised that the current auditors were Chester based however the future Audit would be evidence based.

3.2) Cllr Parry reported on a school Governors meeting and reported that Cllr Evans had decided not to continue as Chairman and that the new Chair would be Sandy Myall. Cllr Evans was thanked for the way he had dealt with all matters during what was no doubt a difficult time of federalisation of the schools.

4.) Correspondence

- Advice from OVW on how to deal with abandoned vehicles
- DCC – had jetpatched around Cerrig Llwydion – temporary repair
- DCC – notice that pre planning application advice would be chargeable
- E mail from Cllr Parry to DCC – calling for dog warden to visit Maes Clwyd estate.
- E Mail DCC – Transfer Deed (Maes Tyrnog land) had been executed.
- E mail from Jeanette Smalls DCC – willing to assist in seeing what other form of activities could be offered to the youngsters in the village – Clerk to see if Jeanette could attend future council meeting.

6.)Matters For Payment

<i>Mrs Rawthorne</i>	<i>£31.25</i>	<i>5 weeks cleaning</i>
<i>J.A.Jones</i>	<i>£62.00</i>	<i>5 weeks litter picking at cae nant</i>

J.A. Jones declared an interest in the above payments.

Clerk requested to check minimum wages and report back next meeting.

7) Planning Matters

There were no planning matters to discuss

8) Member Items:

8.1) Pen y Bryn, Llangwyfan – seemed to be a large gravelled area not in keeping with the area – Clerk to seek whether this compliant with the somewhat historic planning consent

8.2) complaints of 4 x 4 vehicles using Bridlepath between Pen y Bryn, rear of Glyn Arthur and leading to bottom of Moel Arthur – Clerk to relay concerns to Rangers at Loggerheads and see if additional signage could be provided

8.3) reported small hole had appeared by side o BT chamber outside the telephone exchange – Clerk to relay matter to DCC

There being no other matters the meeting closed at 9:30

Next meeting to be held at Cocoa Rooms, Llandyrnog Tuesday 17th November at 7:15pm