

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LLANDYRNOG COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON 17TH SEPTEMBER 2024

1. Present: Cllrs E.Morris, G.C.Evans, Arwyn Evans, M.Parry, E.Williams, R.Griffith, G.Butler, J.Borthwick, H.Wright and two members of the public

2. Apologies – J McGuire

3. Declaration of Interest – M.Parry in all planning matters

4. Community Policeman – PCSO Mathew Evans attended the meeting to report on the reported incidents since the July meeting

- Drink driving issues – North Wales Police depend on local intelligence in rural areas and not to be afraid of using 101 if there were suspect persistent offenders
- Numerous threats on line
- Dog bite but on private property and therefore strictly not a police issue but advice given out
- NWP have a schools liaison officer whose remit covers cyber awareness/safety – be careful who you are talking to.

5. Correspondence

RELEVANT CORRESPONDENCE FOR SEPTEMBER 2024 MEETING

DVSC Funding Fair - already circulated

Meet the funder - Burbo Bank - already circulated

Planning Update on Arla site – small scale production started on site will increase once procedures are in place

Planning Update on Kinmel Arms site – still awaiting unilateral undertaking

Request for financial assistance - Llandyrnog Shop

Llais Llandyrnog – very kind offer of purchasing a bench and £500 towards the installation – Clerk to thank and update after receiving quotations

Bench application - application submitted August 4th no acknowledgement until 10th

✓ September Litter pick Clerk has written to MHC not heard anything from their activities officer

Masterclass workshop and coaching- circulated

Audit fees – Clerk to contact local Member of Senedd

Card from Ruth to thank for the flowers

6. Confirmation of minutes of the July 2024 meeting.

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

7. Matters Arising.

- Still concerns about speed of traffic around the Llangwyfan area – residents advised to make a note of persistent offenders and report to 101
- Allotment site – nothing to report
- New notice board had been placed
- The DCC election flatpack had still not been collected despite two e mails to the Elections@Denbighshire.gov.uk
- Notice of Co option had been sent to DCC but no response received – same notice on the community council notice board and website if no more than ten people write to DCC asking for an election then individuals can be approached and co-opted.

8. Reports

1. Cllr Butler had represented the community Council at the Merchant Navy flag raising event in Ruthin.

9. Financial Report and matters for payment

Current account £17,666.29

Business account £19,930.66

Matters for Payment

HMRC PAYE £67.00

J.A.Jones £78.26

R.B.Davies £190.39

R. B Davies new external hard drive £52.00

Request from The Directors of Llandyrnog Community Shop.

Request from Llandyrnog Community Shop for financial assistance

A request had been received from the Directors of Llandyrnog Shop for a contribution of £5000 towards unforeseen additional expenditure in the Community Shop Project.

This was not in the Community Council's budget however the Chair and Clerk have sought advice from One Voice Wales. OVW have suggested it is possible to contribute to a project provided it is not-for-profit and of benefit to the community. The funds for such a contribution can be taken from reserves by means of a "virement"

Viring - moving from reserves to budget to cover additional costs not in budget

Section 137 of the Local Government Act allows any community council to re allocate reserves within a financial year up to a certain amount per head of population. In our case it is £9.93 per head per financial year so with a population of 1103 (according to the 2021 census) a total of £10952.79 per annum was allowed providing the decision is voted upon and minuted.

There was considerable discussion as to how best to protect any possible contribution whether by buying shares or a loan but it was proposed and seconded:

That a donation of £5000 be made to the Llandyrnog Community Shop Ltd and that funds be vired from reserves to cover this donation.

On being put to the vote this proposal was unanimously approved. There were no votes against and no abstentions.

10. UPDATE ON BENCH APPLICATION

1. Licence had been granted and price from one contractor E.Jones & Son had been received £2,465.00 plus vat this was not unexpected due to the need for traffic management, footpath closure and temporary footpath arrangements . Clerk to obtain further quotation from Clarke Contractors Ruthin. Llais Llandyrnog had kindly offered to purchase a bench and contribute £500 towards the cost of installation

11. PLANNING

18/2024/1186 – RETROSPECTIVE APPLICATION FOR THE CHANGE OF USE OF BARN TO DOG DAY CARE FACILITY AND CONTINUATION OF USE OF MENAGE A MIXED USE OF EQUESTRIAN AND DOG EXERCISE AREA AN CONTINUATION OF USE OF LAND AWS AGRICULTURAL,EQUESTRIAN AND DOG EXERCISE AREA – WERN FARM LLANDYRNOG

The application had been received in August in between meetings however a request had been made to the case office for an extension of time for the matter to be discussed at a full meeting.

There were anomalies between the planning statement and the application form in terms of opening and closing times and a lack of clarity regarding overnight supervision

Additional information requested:

Will the existing buildings cease to be used for housing of dogs if this application is granted.

Concerns about the overnight supervision and anomalies – the planning statement is clear that the owner lives on site – the owners of the land lives on site but now the owner of the business. What is the actual business agreement between the building owners and the business owners for overnight supervision

Whilst some of the building have a slate roof parts have corrugated iron roofing so any permission would need to be conditioned to protect amenity of neighbours

What exactly is the overnight supervision – clarity needed

No decision was made whether the application could be supported or not until further information has been received.

12. Members Items

Concerns about the general condition of the garden of one of the old school houses– Clerk to contact agent or owner.

Whilst potholes around Llangwyfan crossroad had been addressed the ruts towards Rhiwbebyll had still not been addressed.

Fly tipped material around Llangwyfan still not been collected however DCC have been focusing on refuse collections

The drainage around cross keys was still an issue however it was explained that the ditch in Coed y Waen was silted to a position higher than the outlet of the discharge pipe and access to the ditch was near impossible

Still awaiting quotation from Simon Shuker

Garry Williams of DCC to arrange in-house Code of Conduct training. . .

LDP update requested

Assistance will be required before next meeting to plant roundabout and boxes.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 20:45pm

Signed.....*Gus Butler*.....

Dated.....*15/10/24*.....

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