

## LLANGAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2019.

1. Present: Cllrs. Jeremy (Chair), R. Morgans, A-L. Morgans, A. Freeman, J. Jones, C. Atkins. Also present was County Cllr. C. Jones.
2. Apologies: Cllrs T. Griffiths, A. Evans and H. Williams.
3. Minutes of last Meeting. Proposed correct by Cllr. Atkins and seconded by Cllr. A.L. Morgans.
4. Matters Arising.

2744. Footpath 25/09. Contracts have now been signed to fence off the footpath. County Cllr. to report back.

2747. Parking outside the school. It was reported that the PCSO had attended. County Cllr. is hoping that yellow no parking lines will be placed outside the school.

2749. Tarmac outside hall. It was reported that the Hall Committee have now received quotes for the work and are currently looking for available grants to assist with the costs. County Cllr. Jones reported that the AGM will be held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May and will report back to the June Council meeting.

2752. Clerk to write to Angela Burns AM. It was reported that the Green Party have become aware of the river pollution associated with Cwrtmalle.

B4312 near collision. County Councillor reported that she had sent photos of the location to the County Council.

5. Correspondence.

2763. Independent Remuneration Panel Wales. The Clerk reported that the recent review published in February 2019 now updated the previous ones which stated that smaller (group C ) could authorise payment to Councillors. It now states that Councils must make provision for the payments of £150 to Councillors with an option given to individuals to opt out by a declaration given to the Clerk.

One Voice Wales have forwarded standardised Opt Out forms with a summary form for use by Councils.

It was noted by Cllr. Carys Jones that the other Community Councils in her ward were also unsure of the way to treat the matter and, therefore, the Clerk was asked to contact One Voice Wales for guidance. The issue will then be discussed at the June meeting for final resolution.

Police and Crime Commissioner's Community Fund. Applications for funding for projects which will have a positive effect on the security and safety of communities.

Memorandum of understanding - Child Burial Fees - CCC's advice.

Code of Conduct Training held by the County Council on 16<sup>th</sup> July at the Council Chamber. Chair and Cllrs. R. Morgans and A-L. Morgans to attend.

6. 2764. Planning Applications.

W/38729. Two residential Dwellings on Vicarage Fields – approved.

Note – Cllr. John Jones declared a personal interest and withdrew from discussions.

South of Dol-y-Dderwen Development. It was noted that the Planning Committee had postponed their decision to facilitate a site meeting. It was also noted that there is a query from the Action group regarding a strip of land at the location which is to be investigated. Noted.

7. Finance/ Approval of Payments.

2765. Annual Accounts. The Clerk presented the Annual Accounts and Governance statements which have been audited by LHP, the Council's auditors with no comments or corrections.

The accounts show a surplus of £7313 which is a reduction from the previous year reflecting the Council's decision in January 2018 to protect the community rate and to use its reserves for spending over and above the set budget on issues such as donations etc. as required.

**The Council approved the annual accounts and the Chairman signed the necessary documents.**

2766. Governance 2018-19. The Clerk reported that the procedures and arrangements for adequate governance entered on the annual summary were approved by the auditor and are in accordance with Council policies and risk management processes.

**The Council approved the governance processes and the Clerk was asked to forward the necessary documentation to the external auditor by the due date and arrange the necessary public notices.**

2767. The following payments were approved by the Council :-

D.I.Griffiths 630.10. Clerk's salary and expenses x 2 months

LHP 150.00. Audit Fee

8. County Councillor's Report. See attached below.

9. New or Other Business. British Legion D-Day celebrations will be held in Llansteffan on 6<sup>th</sup> June. Chairman to attend.

## COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

### HIGHWAY SAFETY GRANT

The work resulting from the Highway Safety Grant – B4312 Johnstown to Llansteffan – has now been completed. Site meetings are planned to address issues not addressed within this scheme. An independent review will be carried out over coming weeks to assess its effectiveness.

### ACCESS TO RECYCLING CENTRE

Nantycaws. From June 2019, depending on the type of vehicle you are using, you may be required to apply for a free permit to use the recycling centres. This is to stop users from outside the county bringing their waste to a centre which is strictly for the use of Carmarthenshire ratepayers. For further details, see :

<https://www.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/home/councilservices/recycling-bins-and-litter/recycling-centres/check-if-you-need-a-permit/>

### INDUSTRIAL FARMING

A meeting of the Task Force was held on the 25<sup>th</sup> April. A detailed report on the past year's progress will be circulated to members.

### EISTEDDFOD YR URDD 2021

Eisteddfod yr Urdd 2021 will be hosted by Carmarthenshire in Llandyfri. On June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019, an Open Meeting will be held to establish a fundraising committee for this ward. We welcome all and any volunteers from all four villages to attend the meeting at the Ben Harries Institute, Llansteffan at 7.30pm.

### TI A FI

A TI A FI group has been re-established in Llansteffan Memorial Hall on Tuesday mornings between 9.30 and 1.30. Parents and toddlers from Llangain are most welcome – we need to ensure there are sufficient numbers to secure the future of the activities. Please contact me for further details.

### NEW CHIEF EXECUTIVE CCC

The new CE has been appointed - Wendy Walters was born and raised in Carmarthenshire and is highly respected by staff and members alike. Wendy will meet with every councillor individually at the outset to familiarise herself with our local concerns.