

**MINUTES OF LLANDYFAELOG COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON 4 MARCH 2021 AT 7.30PM**

1. Present: Cllrs Meinir James (Chairman), Janet Knott, Elfyn Williams, Eifion Jones, Mair Stephens, Philip Davies, Richard John, Shan Rees and Arfon Davies (Clerk).

Apologies: Cllrs Viv Davies, Rheinallt Jones and Hugh Anderson.

Continuing apologies for Cllr Hugh Anderson caused by technological problems being experienced currently were approved.

The Chairman noted the Council's condolences to Cllr Shan Rees on the recent loss of her mother.

2. Declarations of Interest

No declarations.

3. Minutes of the meeting of Council held on the 4th February 2021 were confirmed and signed.

4. Matters Arising

1. Highway Safety concerns on the B4309 at Bancycapel – It was confirmed that new signage would be installed adjacent to Delfryn and Llety'r Wennol in Bancycapel with araf / slow road markings in their vicinity also. Council will request that the proposed sign at Llety'r Wennol be moved to the other side of Danybanc Farm. Noted.

2. Concerns regarding road safety at the Llandyfaelog junction with the A484 – The County Council had undertaken a topographical survey of the location and continued to intend to complete works before the end of March. Consultation on the actual plans were yet to be received.

3. Footway lighting repairs – Completion of the repairs to the solar panel light in Idole continued to be awaited. A date was also awaited for works at Ysgol Bro Myrddin. Noted.

4. Footpath 29/3 – Between Croesyceiliog and Pentrepoeth – Council awaited further information on the matter.

5. COVID-19 – Members discussed the on-going COVID-19 outbreak and the impact upon the Community.

6. Planning Application W/40717, Maesglasnant, Cwmffrwd – The Clerk confirmed that the application continued to be reviewed by the County Council.

7. Footpath 29/1/1 Cwmffrwd towards Cincoed – The County Council had been unable to progress the matter as of yet. Noted.

8. Cwmale Speed Limit – Council awaited a meeting of the Speed Limit Working Group for the matter of the extension of the 30mph area to be considered.

9. Proposal to relocate lighting column at housing development site in Croesyceiliog – Further developments with the proposal were awaited.

10. Cats Eyes – A484 Llandyfaelog to Carmarthen – Further information on the matter was awaited.

11. Flytipping on private land at Llandyfaelog – Further information on the matter was awaited.

- 12. Planning Application PL/00750 - Nantyoetre Isaf, Llandyfaelog** - The Clerk confirmed that the matter continued to be considered by the County Council.
- 13. NHS, Social Care and Frontline Workers Day** – The matter will remain on the agenda for future consideration.
- 14. Gutter / drain at top of Llandyfaelog Hill** – Further information on the matter was awaited.
- 15. Water pooling along Heol y Lan** - Further information on the matter was awaited.
- 16. Erosion of Cwmaile Lane** - Further information on the matter was awaited.
- 17. Planning Enforcement in property in woodland area – Idole to Pentrepoeth** – Further information on the matter was awaited.
- 18. Peter Williams Heritage Walking Tour** – The Clerk had contacted Mr Brenig Davies on the proposal and explained the facilities available in the Community. Mr Davies was interested in whether there were individuals in the Community who could provide for such a tour. In the meantime, the Clerk had provided a letter of support for the project that could be used for grant applications. Noted.
- 19. Dog thefts** – An update was received on the actions undertaken by the police in relation to the matter along with their advice for dog owners. This information will be placed on the Council website. Noted.
- 20. Highway safety concerns, Bolahaul Road Junction of the A484 in Cwmffrwd** – The Clerk had raised the matter with the police and County Council, who were now looking into the issue. Noted.

5. Correspondence

- 1. Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales** - Letter inviting Councils to be part of the Panels' Review of the Remuneration Framework for Community and Town Councils. The closing date for expressions of interest in taking part was the 1st March. The Clerk had discussed with the Chairman and Vice Chairman and confirmed the Community Council's interest in taking part.
- 2. Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales** - Annual Report 2021-22. The matter will be considered at the next Council meeting.
- 3. Carmarthenshire County Council** - Letter promoting the work of the County Council Scrutiny Committees and asking for information on possible topics to be considered for review. It was agreed to put forward a request for the Environment and Public Protection Scrutiny Committee to undertake a review of fly-tipping in the Countryside in order to take forward provision of a plan to tackle the problem in our Communities and to ensure clarity on who has responsibility for dealing with the matter along with confirmed timescales for action when issues arise.
- 4. Welsh Government** - Consultation on the Litter & Fly-tipping Prevention Plan for Wales. To be discussed at the next Council meeting. Noted.
- 5. One Voice Wales** - January Newsletter. Noted.
- 6. Public Services Ombudsman for Wales** - Consultation on the new draft Guidance on the Code of Conduct for members of County and Community/Town Councils. Noted.
- 7. Community Health Councils** – Poster asking for views on residents' experiences with NHS services. The Clerk to circulate the details to members and place on the Council website.
- 8. Welsh Government** - Electoral Review Newsletter. Noted.
- 9. Dyfed Powys Police** - Information was received that the speed monitoring cameras had visited Cwmffrwd 9 times in January and February noting 23 vehicles travelling above the speed limit. Noted.

10. One Voice Wales – Summary of key provision of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 for the Community and Town Council Sector. The Clerk to request further advice on the proposed information publication requirements from One Voice Wales.

11. Clerk and Councils Direct Magazine – Noted.

6. Idole Field and Council Amenities

1. The Clerk confirmed receipt of the Waste Transfer notes from Mark's Gardening Services for the 2020 contract. Noted.
2. The Clerk confirmed that installation of the new central gate post and wooden fence posts had been completed with the payment to E and A Fencing of £754.00 plus VAT approved.
3. The Clerk noted that there was no further update in relation to the claim for the costs of the fence damage.
4. The Clerk noted that he had obtained a quote from swiftsigns for a no-smoking sign for the Idole Field at a cost of £10.95 including installation. This had been approved for progression by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman and installed prior to the ban coming into place on the 1st March. This was approved and the payment to swiftsigns agreed.
5. The Clerk confirmed that the Handyperson had completed the relocation of the Bancyapel bus shelter down pipe. The quality of the work completed was noted with pleasure.

7. Handyperson Agreement

The Clerk confirmed a total of 14 hours worked for February and payment of £210.00 was agreed.

8. Well-Being of Future Generations Act - Annual Report

The Clerk presented the draft annual report to the Carmarthenshire Public Services Board on the Council's activities during 2020-21 in relation to the Well-being of Future Generations Act. Council considered the report and approved it for provision to the Public Services Board. Thanks were expressed to the Clerk for his work in preparing the report.

9. Planning

- a) **PL/01235** - An erection of a slurry store to increase the capacity to store agricultural manure from the dairy enterprise. The field is currently used as a occasional grazing field - Blaengwastad, Ferryside, SA17 5TP. No objections.
- b) **PL/01141** - Change of use of 3 barns to holiday let and an animal therapy room - Garthowen Farm, Cwmffrwd, Carmarthen, SA32 8ED. No objections
- c) **PL/01244** - Glazed conservatory/sun lounge to front elevation - Moelfre Uchaf, Cwmffrwd, Carmarthen, SA32 8DR. No objections.

10. Applications for Financial Assistance

1. **Cllr Janet Knott declared an interest and left the meeting for the item - Cruse Carmarthenshire Bereavement Care** – A contribution of £50.00 was approved.
2. **Cancer Information and Support Services** - A contribution of £50.00 was approved.
3. **Cerebral Palsy Cymru (Bobath)** – No contribution.

4. Marie Curie Cancer Care - A contribution of £50.00 was approved.

5. Cllrs Meinir James and Shan Rees declared their interest and left the meeting for the item. Cllr Elfyn Williams took the Chair for consideration of the matter.

Eisteddfod yr Urdd Sir Gaerfyrddin 2023 - A contribution of £50.00 was approved.

6. Carmarthenshire County Council Chairman's Charity Appeal - A contribution of £50.00 was approved.

11. Accounts

The following payments were approved.

1.	Description	Salary	Expenses	Total Gross	Tax Deducted	NI Deducted	Net Pay
Arfon Davies	February Salary and costs	£631.80 £18.00	£7.00 £8.82 £10.80	£676.42	£127.60	£0.00	£548.82

2. M Gibbard £100.00

Croesyceiliog Bus Shelter

3. E & A Davies Fencing £904.80

Idole field fencing works (£754.00 plus £150.80 VAT) (see item 6.2)

4. Swift Signs £10.95

No smoking sign Idole (see item 6.4)

5. Michael Leefe £210.00

Handyperson February (see item 7)

6. Cruse Carmarthenshire £50.00

Donation (see item 10.1)

7. CISS £50.00

Donation (see item 10.2)

8. Marie Curie Cancer Care £50.00

Donation (see item 10.4)

9. Eisteddfod yr Urdd 2023 £50.00

Donation (see item 10.5)

10. Carmarthenshire County Chairman's Charity Appeal £50.00

Donation (see item 10.6)

12. Any other business – exchange of information only

1. The Clerk will raise concerns about a caravan located near Gelligaeros to the County Council Planning Enforcement Unit.

2. The Clerk will raise concerns about vehicle speeds along Heol y Lan with the County Council.

3. The Clerk will ask the Council Handyperson to clean the Cwmffrwd shelter window.

4. The Clerk will raise the possibility of obtaining funding for a pavement to be laid from Llandyfaelog Hall to the old vicarage along with a bench with the County Council.

5. The Clerk will raise a blocked gutter between Penrheol and Cilfeithy Uchaf with the County Council.

6. The Clerk will request information from the County Council on the timetable for cleaning bus shelters.

7. The Clerk will report a faded sign for Heol y Lan to the County Council.

8. Thanks were noted to the County Council for work clearing the roadsides of litter in the area. The Clerk will raise possible roadside litter picking projects with the Community Payback / Probation team.

9. Possible purchase of litter picking equipment will be discussed at the next Council meeting.

10. The Chairman gave a report of the recent One Voice Wales Carmarthenshire Area Committee meeting.

The next meeting of Council will be held on Thursday 1st April 2021.