

**MINUTES OF LLANDYFAELOG COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE HALL ON 5 MARCH 2020 AT 7.30PM**

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

Apologies: None.

2. Declarations of Interest

No declarations.

3. Minutes of the meeting of Council held on the 6th February 2020 were confirmed and signed.

4. Matters Arising

1. Vacancy for member of Council – The Clerk noted that Mr Wyn James had withdrawn his interest in co-option onto the Council due to family issues. It was therefore agreed to invite Mr DBV Davies of Maesglasnant, Cwmffrwd to be co-opted.

2. Bolahaul Junction with the A484 in Cwmffrwd – The Clerk noted that he had been informed that the feedback sign was to be installed in the coming days with an invoice for the Community Council's £500.00 contribution to follow. Noted.

3. Pavement damage due to residential development – Rose and Crown, Llandyfaelog – This matter continued to be monitored.

4. Concerns regarding road safety at the Llandyfaelog junction with the A484 – No further progress with the audit of proposals for the junction was received. Noted.

5. Footway lighting LED lamp upgrade project – It was noted that while this project was nearing completion that there remained a large number of lights on overnight at Ysgol Bro Myrddin. The Clerk will raise the matter with the County Council.

6. Footway lighting repairs – Completion of the installation of the new lamp at the GD Harries junction in Idole was awaited. The lack of progress with the solar panel light in Idole was noted with disappointment and the Clerk will escalate the matter at the County Council.

7. Replacement of Notice boards and planter – The Clerk noted that the production of the 3 notice boards and planter had commenced. The Council approved the raising of the cheque payment to Barry Doyle Carpentry of £760.00 in readiness for completion of the works and the Chairman and Clerk completed the Community Fund grant report for the £500.00 payment from the County Council.

8. Highway Safety concerns on the B4309 at Bancycapel – Further information on progress with the matter was awaited. Noted.

9. Culvert at Cwmale, Pentrepoeth – It was noted that the culvert had worked well during the recent wet weather. Noted.

10. Litter bin for Kidwelly direction bus shelter at Llandyfaelog – The Clerk continued to chase the matter with the County Council.

11. Moss treatment and sweep of Llandyfaelog - The Clerk noted that the County Council had confirmed that these works had been undertaken, members noted that

this did not appear to have actually been the case. A site visit will therefore be requested to discuss what was required.

12. Consultation on proposals for changes to the audit arrangements for Community and Town Councils - Members considered the consultation.

13. Appeal in relation to planning application W/37191 at the Stables, Bolahaul Road, Cwmffrwd – The Clerk confirmed that the appeal hearing had been undertaken with a decision pending. Noted.

14. Public Lighting at Llandyfaelog Junction – The Clerk confirmed that he had contacted the County Council on the matter.

5. Correspondence

1. Glannant, Idole – The Clerk had received complaints in relation to possible breaches of planning requirements at this location regarding Planning Application W/39214. Confirmation had been received from the County Council that they were looking into the matter and had visited Glannant. Noted.

2. One Voice Wales – Notification of the One Voice Wales Innovative Practice and National Awards Conference to be held on the 26th March. Noted.

3. Keep Wales Tidy – Information on the Local Places for Nature programme with an offer of starter packages for each Community and Town Council to choose from:

- **Butterfly Garden**
- **Fruit Garden**
- **Wildlife Garden**

It was agreed to request a Wildlife Garden or Butterfly Garden pack for Idole field. The Handyperson will be asked to install the garden plants and equipment.

4. Carmarthenshire County Council – Notification of a temporary road closure of part of the U2219 towards Towy Castle from the 16th March for a period of 5 days.

5. Carmarthenshire County Council – Notification of a temporary road closure of part of the U2206 Heol y Lan, from the 30th March for a period of 3 days.

6. Dyfed Powys Police and Crime Commissioner – Notification of a Policing in a Rural Area Conference to be held on the 6th March in Carmarthen Police Headquarters. Cllr Richard John will attend on behalf of the Council.

7. Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales – Annual Report 2020-21. This will be considered at the next Council meeting.

8. Hywel Dda Community Health Council – January 2020 Newsletter. Noted.

9. Welsh Government – Stakeholder information in relation to the Public Health (Minimum Price for Alcohol) (Wales) Act 2018. Noted.

10. Carmarthenshire County Council – Information on a Community and Town Councils Conference which had been arranged for the 18th March, but is now to be re-arranged for another date. Noted.

11. One Voice Wales – Membership renewal 2020-21. This will be considered at the April Council meeting.

12. One Voice Wales – Information on a joint One Voice Wales / SLCC event to be held on the 20th May. Noted.

13. Clerks and Councils Direct Magazine – Noted.

6. Idole Field and Council Amenities

- 1. WI Tree planting project** – An invite was received to the planting ceremony to be followed by a tea at St Anne's Church Hall on Friday 20th March at 11am.

7. 75th Anniversary of the end of the 2nd World War

It was noted that the Llandyfaelog Church bells would be rung at 7pm on the 8th May to mark the anniversary. It was agreed to discuss with the Church authorities the possibility of inviting the Community to attend the ceremony.

8. Accessible Website

A first draft of the updated website had been received and was discussed, possible amendments were noted that will be discussed with Vision ICT.

9. Handyperson Agreement

Cllr Meinir James noted her interest in the matter. The Clerk confirmed that Michael Leefe had commenced as Handyperson on the 1st March. Members noted a wish for the Handyperson to attend a Council meeting and this will be discussed with him.

10. Garden Competition

The categories for the 2020 competition were agreed as Vegetable Garden, Large Garden, Small Garden and Container Garden. Judging to be carried out in June for vegetables and August for flower gardens. Mr Nigel Sheldon will be invited to be the competition judge. The possibility of a competition theme for future years will be considered further.

11. Carmarthenshire Revised Local Development Plan 2018 – 2033

Cllr Philip Davies noted his interest and left the meeting for discussion on the item.

Members considered the consultation on the Carmarthenshire Revised Local Development Plan 2018-2033. The removal of both locations proposed under the candidate stage for Llandyfaelog was noted. It was agreed to request that these be reconsidered in order to allow some allocation for development within the village. No other comments were raised on the other proposals.

12. Well-being of Future Generations Act – Annual Return

The Clerk presented the draft Annual Return in relation to the Council's activities under the Well-being of Future Generations Act. Following consideration and amendment of the document, the report was approved for forwarding to the Carmarthenshire Public Service Board as the Council's Annual Report for 2019-20.

13. Applications for Financial Assistance

1. **Urdd Gobaith Cymru Patagonia Expedition** - It was noted that the applicant was an individual and was not resident within the Llandyfaelog Community.

2. Llandyfaelog Show

Cllrs Philip Davies, Shan Rees, Rheinallt Jones, Ronald Thomas and Mair Stephens declared their interests and left the meeting for this item. Cllr Meinir James took the Chair for consideration of the matter.

A contribution of £100.00 was agreed.

3. St Ishmaels Young Farmers Club

Cllrs Rheinallt Jones and Philip Davies declared their interests and left the meeting for this item. Cllr Meinir James took the Chair for consideration of the matter.

A contribution of £200.00 was agreed.

4. Cruse Carmarthenshire Bereavement Care

Cllr Janet Knott declared her interests and left the meeting for this item.

A contribution of £50.00 was agreed.

5. **Cancer Information and Support Service** - A contribution of £25.00 was agreed.

6. **Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod** - No contribution.

7. **Age Cymru Sir Gar** - A contribution of £25.00 was agreed.

14. Planning

1. **W/40251** – Front porch and WC / shower room extension to ground floor. 13 Maesdolau, Idole, SA32 8DS, Mr Lyn Carter. No objections.

15. Accounts

a) The following payments were approved:

1. M Gibbard	£100.00	Croesyceiliog Bus Shelter
2. Wales Audit Office	£214.75	2018-19 Audit Fee

3.	Description	Salary	Expenses	Total Gross	Tax Deducted	NI Deducted	Net Pay
Arfon Davies	February salary and costs	£615.09 £18.00	£7.00 £25.00 £6.30	£671.39	£124.40	£0.00	£546.99

4. **Barry Doyle Carpentry** £760.00 3 x notice boards and planter (see item 4.7)

5. **Mark's Gardening Services** £300.00 February Handyperson

6. **Llandyfaelog Show** £100.00 Donation (see item 13.2)

7. **St Ishmaels YFC** £200.00 Donation (see item 13.3)

8. **Cruse Bereavement Care** £50.00 Donation (see item 13.4)

9. **Cancer Information and Support Service** £25.00 Donation (see item 13.5)

10. **Age Cymru Sir Gar** £25.00 Donation (see item 13.7)

11. Cllrs Philip Davies, Mair Stephens and Janet Knott declared their interest and left the meeting for the item.

Llandyfaelog Community Hall Committee	£600.00	Annual Grant
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16. Any other business

1. It was noted that a vehicle accident had occurred on the A484 in Idole near Cywion Bach.
2. It was noted that there appeared to have been an increase in flytipping in the Community recently.
3. The Clerk will arrange to re-fix the dog warning signs in Idole that appeared to have come away in the recent wet weather.
4. The Clerk will report a footway light at the Llandyfaelog junction with the A484 that was not working.
5. Members discussed the issue of Ash Die Back and how it would affect relevant landowners in the Community
6. Letters of congratulations will be sent to Iwan Thomas of Llancwm on his achievement in being named u18 best actor in the YFC County Drama competition along with a letter of appreciation to the St Ishmael YFC club leaders.
7. A letter of congratulations will be sent to Llandyfaelog Short Mat Bowls club as two of their members, Henry Bennett and Luke Davies had been chosen to represent Wales at U21 level.
8. It was noted that a Curry Night would be held on the 30th March at the Red Lion in aid of the Urdd 2021 Eisteddfod.
9. It was noted that the Merched y Wawr were holding a 'Cinio Gwanwyn' in aid of Ty Cymorth 20th April.

The next meeting of Council will be held on Thursday 2nd April 2020.