

**Minutes of the Meeting
of LLANGAMMARCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Held at 7.30PM ON Wednesday 1st May 2024
at the Alexandra Hall with remote access through Zoom Pro**

Zoom access was opened at 7.25pm

Present: Cllr Kay Coldrick (Chair for this meeting, to be ratified as Council Chairman at the July meeting), Cllr Jon Hather, Cllr Woods, Cllr Nicola Jones, Cllr Mairwen Price, Cllr Kees Vugts, Cllr Butterfield-Elsey, Cllr Shaun Hughes.

In Attendance

Sue Lilly (Clerk), County Cllr Peter James MBE

3047. Apologies

None

3048 Declarations of Interest

Everyone has an interest in the D-Day item

3049 Minutes of the Meetings held on the 6th March 2024 and EGM on the 28th March 2024

The Minutes for the 6th March – there was a short discussion around Minute 3025. The Minutes were proposed as accurate by Cllr Hather and Seconded by Cllr Vugts and then unanimously agreed. They were signed off by Cllr Coldrick.

The Minutes for the 28th March were proposed as accurate by Cllr Hather and Seconded by Cllr Price and unanimously agreed. They were signed off by Cllr Coldrick.

3050 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising, apart from what is in the Agenda.

3051 Role of the Ombudsman

The Councillors had already been directed to read information online about the Ombudsman and their role. Both the Chairman and Clerk have been present at face-to-face presentation about the role.

3052 GreenGenTowyUsk Developments

The preferred pylon line has now changed from behind the houses in Cefn Gorwydd to down on the valley of the Irfon. The pylons are still within 800 metres of Cefn Gorwydd houses, but even closer to some farms in the valley. The position of the MoD is unknown at this time. The biodiversity report prepared by the Clerk for the Dulas Valley may still be relevant. The developers now have an office in Antur Gwy in Builth. **ACTION Clerk** to track down the 3D work showing the project.

3053 Biodiversity and Sustainability

There is a paper coming from Powys CC in June to try to sort out where overlaps are occurring with the many bodies involved. A Powys-wide meeting is planned.

3054 D-Day Arrangements

The flag has been bought and will be raised on the 5th. After a short ceremony in the Gardens at the spot where we now have a WW1 'Tommy' and remembrance list, there will be tea arranged in the hall. Volunteers can sign up for preparation of sandwiches etc at the list in the hall. The flag will likely stay up until the 10th June. Tirabad may be organising its own commemoration.

3055 Riverside Working Group

- Cllr Coldrick thanked the residents who have given plants and their time to bring the gardens on
- This is an ongoing project
- There are a few signs yet to go up
- A low fence of some sort along the ridge needs to be looked at **ACTION Clerk**

3056 Cefn Gorwydd Bench

The current bench in Cefn Gorwydd has been damaged for a decade. The family of Martin Lydon, who used to live opposite the bench, have asked to install a new one in his memory along with a planters in memory of his wife. Cllr Hather investigated the fixings of the current metal bench and these should be able to be dealt with. It was suggested that the LCC memorial Bench policy be reviewed at the next meeting.

3057 PCC, NextDoor, Other Correspondence, updates

- request to donate to the Urdd for trips. This was thought unnecessary as the local Friends of Dolafon already do this.
- Potholes – apparently will get repaired after several complaints. A large one in Cefn Gorwydd created damage to several cars. County Cllr James pointed out that there is a general lack of funds and personnel to do deal with the problem effectively. The method of repair is being looked at.
- A ‘top-up’ for the Local Places for Nature is available. **ACTION Clerk**
- The levelling up grants were looked at and were found not to be viable for a small council as payment is upfront with no guarantee of repayment and short deadlines

3058 Planning Matters

- Confirm by PCC Planning for rebuilding at Poityn
- 2 new enforcement officers have now been appointed for PCC Planning
- There is a new portal for queries

3059 Public Conveniences and Play area

- Since the levelling up fund cannot be used the cistern in the ladies, needs renewing **ACTION Clerk**
- Two motion detecting lights have been acquired to remove the light issue.
- Black stains coming off the play area surface need treatment, the brush or spray on treatment has arrived, but needs dry conditions. **ACTION Clerk**
- New agreement with PCC over the RoSPA Inspections – unanimously agreed. **ACTION Clerk**

3060 Finance

- a) Receipts and Payments for the accounts 30/4/2024.

These were unanimously agreed as accurate. Proposed by Cllr Jones and seconded by Cllr Hughes

- b) S Lilly for sundries £520.33 (Play area bin, D-Day Flag, Compost & Plants, D-Day Tommy, Hazard sticky tape, Uneven ground signs, WIX Business email, Metal Poppies). Payment was approved unanimously. Proposed by Cllr Price and seconded by Cllr Hughes.
- c) Annual and Regular Payments. Proposed by Cllr Coldrick Seconded by Cllr Woods
- d) Report from the Internal Auditor was unanimously accepted.
- e) AGAR was agreed, proposed by Cllr Hather and Seconded by Cllr Woods, then signed by the Clerk and Cllr Coldrick. (Signed by the Internal Auditor on the 14/4/2024)
- f) The Reserves were confirmed at £10, 676
- g) The Annual Report was unanimously accepted.

3061 Matters for the next meeting or for referral to the County Council

- Trade waste in the Llangammarch bins – PCC **ACTION Clerk**
- Overhanging branches along road from Llangammarch to Cefn Gorwydd – PCC **ACTION Clerk**

Next meeting: Wednesday 3rd July 7.30pm in Alexandra Hall Llangammarch.

The Chair thanked everyone

The meeting was closed at 9.20pm

Zoom Access was closed