

**Minutes of the Meeting
of LLANGAMMARCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Held at 7.30PM ON Wednesday 3rd May 2023
at the Alexandra Hall with remote access through Zoom Pro**

Zoom access was opened at 7.00 for the AGM

Present: Cllr Kay Coldrick (Chair), Cllr Jon Hather, Cllr Nicola Jones, Cllr Clare Butterfield-Elsey, Cllr Kees Vugts.

In Attendance

Sue Lilly (Clerk)

2960. Apologies:

Cllr Price, Cllr Woods, County Cllr P James, 1 resident

2961 Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest

2962 Casual Vacancy

We still have one vacancy which we are eager to fill.

2963. Minutes of the Meetings held on 14th March 2023

These were unanimously agreed as accurate and proposed by Cllr Hather and seconded by Cllr Vugts.

2964 Matters Arising

St David's – the Church in Wales have found that the renovations so far have cost more than anticipated. Cllr Coldrick has asked for the removal of the cost of legal fees for the transfer of ownership. The monies held are being retrieved, but past donors need to be contacted to ensure they wish their donations to stand. The King, as Prince of Wales, donated through the Prince's Trust.

2965. Riverside Ownership

The saga continues but is progressing. It was agreed with the suggestion that the fencing be renewed in the autumn, but that railing poles can be done as and when possible. **ACTION CLERK**

2966. Bute/GreenGenTwyUsk update

Cllr Coldrick and the Clerk gave an account of the local councils meeting with Bute on the 20th April. Powys CC explained how the process would proceed. Questions from the floor were very direct. It was confirmed in the exchanges that compulsory purchase could be used if necessary. Electricity produced will go into the National Grid, for use anywhere.

9 letters from residents were received. It is clear that few understand what Llangammarch CC can and cannot do. The council will be a consultee in the process that goes before PEDW – Planning and Environment Decisions Wales (Formerly the Planning Inspectorate). PEDW will then offer their findings to the Minister, who will make a decision.

It was agreed that the council would present an Impact Assessment Report to PEDW, for the Llangammarch Council area. To that end, everyone will be asked to contribute information for the Clerk to gather into a report format. This to be done by word-of-mouth and social media. It will not be made public until after the PEDW decision. **ACTION CLERK**

The Clerk produced a map of the Llangammarch area from Bute, that she asked for at the RWAS consultation. Ways to display the map will be investigated. **ACTION CLERK**

2967 PCC, NextDoor, Correspondence received, Local updates

Cllr Coldrick had just attended a OVW short course on Community Engagement.

Clerk to send around the Cyber Awareness for Councillors Course from Welsh Government. **ACTION CLERK**

Concerns about the frequency of business posting of one person were noted. **ACTION CLERK**

Activities in both Alexandra Hall and Tirabad Hall over the Coronation.

Monday 8th 'The Help Out' in Llangammarch from 2pm

A 'no pylon' design sent in by MC was looked at, and asked for it to be circulated. **ACTION CLERK**

Zoom closed at 2029

The Clerk reported back from a meeting with Powys CC. They are looking to pass some services over to the local councils, but have not decided on which, yet. Car Parking fees have increased somewhat and there was a complaint from Crickhowell that an hourly fee of over £2 will deter shoppers. Winter gritting was discussed and it appears that the road to Tirabad is a Tier 2 road as it is used by the school bus. It should therefore be salted as a matter of course.....

2968 Planning Matters

The Clerk confirmed the activity opposite Nany yr Onnen was under the 'One Planet Development', so does not come to the council from PCC Planning.

2969 Public Conveniences & Play Area

Complaint that the light is on all day was reported.

2970 Finance

- a) Receipts and Payments for the accounts 30/4/2023. These were unanimously agreed as accurate
- b) Cheques for signature, Payments for approval. Reimbursement to the Clerk for the cost of WIX email account for the council was agreed £112.65
- c) Annual Payments List for approval. These were agreed. Proposed by Cllr Hather and seconded by Cllr Butterfield-Elsey
- d) Allowance forms for councillors. The Clerk explained the situation on descriptor for this year's allowance not yet being agreed by IRPW. Clerk will confirm when they have made a decision. The forms were given out, to be brought back at the July meeting.
- e) Audit 2022-23 report and signing of AGAR. This was unanimously agreed. Proposed by Cllr Hather and seconded by Cllr Vugts. The Chair then signed the AGAR, followed by the Clerk also signing.
- f) Confirmation of reserves: these were adjusted to remove the £2000 set aside for Cefn Llan play area. When that area comes available, so should a \$106 grant of £25K. It was noted that two projects had lapsed since lockdown – the notice board outside the Post Office (**ACTION CLERK**) – and the refurbishment of the bus stop to be reviewed by Cllr Vugts.
- g) Annual Report. This was unanimously accepted. Proposed by Cllr Hather and seconded by Cllr Butterfield-Elsey.

2971 Any other business for the next meeting and matters for referral to the County Council

The tarmac pavement in Llangammarch is still not fixed.

New tree to celebrate the coronation – it was suggested a crab apple

Query on a rare flower to be directed to our Working Party for identification

Lamp posts to be used as charging points for electric cars – query PCC

- ❖ Date of Next Meeting – 5th July, 7.30pm
- ❖ Venue – Alexandra Hall, Llangammarch

Cllr Coldrick thanked everyone and closed the meeting at 21.27