

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LLANGAMMARCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL
HELD AT 7.30PM ON WEDNESDAY 2nd November 2022
at the Alexandra Hall with remote access through Zoom Pro**

Zoom access was opened at 7.15pm

Present: Cllr Kay Coldrick (Chair), Cllr Jon Hather, Cllr Nicola Jones, Cllr Clare Butterfield-Elsey, Cllr Mairwen Price, Cllr Anne Woods.

In Attendance

Sue Lilly (Clerk), County Councillor Peter James, PC W Ballard, 1 resident

Cllr Coldrick opened the meeting, welcoming everyone and introducing PC Ballard who was then invited to talk about a recent incident near Tirabad and to explain Police procedure on that, and other recent events.

After PC Ballard left, Cllr Coldrick invited everyone to take a minute's silence, as it was our first Council meeting since the death of Queen Elizabeth II and it is the 5th anniversary of the Poityn fire.

2902. Apologies:

None

2903. Declaration of Interest

There were none

2904 Casual Vacancies

We still have 2, this agenda item was postponed by the Chairman until after item 13

2905 Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th September 2022

These were checked and unanimously agreed as accurate. Proposed by Cllr Hather and seconded by Cllr Butterfield-Elsey. Cllr Coldrick then signed off the Minutes.

2906 Matter Arising

- The lights in the toilets need the timing adjusting **ACTION CLERK**
- Cllr Coldrick updated the council on the situation regarding Tirabad Church
- Grant application for Warm Spaces was passed the Alexandra Hall
- Dŵr Cymru. Cllr James explained what has been happening with the mains in Tirabad. There is money available to replace the main in the next 3 years. Meantime valves are about to be inserted to deal with the airlocks. All residents affected should now get £50. If over 4 hours, bottled water should be provided, but Dŵr Cymru will reimburse if receipts are kept.
- Thanks to Mrs JR who came to give the defibrillator talk.
- First Aid courses were requested by residents **ACTION CLERK**

2907 Civility & Respect Pledge

- This has been presented to the members before the meeting. The Council unanimously agreed to pass a resolution to sign the Civility and Respect Pledge. Cllr Coldrick signed on behalf of the Council.

2908 The Councillor Training Model

- This has been presented to the members before the meeting as it is a long document. It was unanimously agreed to continue with our Training Policy that covers this.

2909 Independent Review Panel Wales Report.

- This has been presented to the members before the meeting as it is a long document. It was unanimously agreed to their recommendation of raising the councillors' allowances.
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2910 Trees in Riverside

- 3 full quotes have been received prior to the meeting, 1 offer was presented at the meeting. Cllr Coldrick proposed that the Finance Committee be called to look at the quotes and offer in details. This is to include a site visit with the Clerk. The Clerk to put all the information on a spreadsheet for ease of comparison. The Finance Committee to the report back to the full council in January. This was unanimously agreed. **ACTION CLERK**
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2911 PCC, NextDoor, Correspondence received, Local updates

- Thanks to Riverside Caravans for their donation of £135 towards the cost of running the toilets
- A note from the Friends of Builth Hospital that they have Defibrillator Batteries if needed
- *(Zoom was closed at 8.30pm)*
- Request for a donation from the Urdd 2023
- Request for donation to Builth Wells Community Support
- Request for a donation from Brecon Advice Centre
- Request from MT for annual donation to Irfon Valley CP for the after- school club. (Cllr Hather withdrew after Declaring and Interest) After much discussion it was agreed that the Clerk ask for more information. **ACTION CLERK**
- 9 new residents in Cefn Gorwydd, including a newborn!

2912 Planning

- It was brought to our attention and for our information that Condition 9 might not have been met for the Cefn Llan Build. Powys Planning are investigating

2913 Public Conveniences

- The latest water bill is within what we might expect.
- Cllrs Price, Butterfield-Else and Coldrick to consider the way forward with flowers etc in line with the council's biodiversity obligations.

2914 Casual Vacancies

- Kees Vugts had answered our appeal for Casual Vacancies. Cllr Coldrick checked that he was still willing to stand. He was asked to leave the room whilst the Council discussed this. He was asked to return. Acceptance of him as a councillor was proposed by Cllr Woods and Seconded by Cllr Hather. Cllr Coldrick formally acknowledged him as a councillor and the Clerk provided the requisite paperwork, which was duly signed.

2915 Finances

- a) The accounts ending 31st October 2022 were agreed unanimously. These were signed off by Cllr Coldrick.
 - b) Cheques for signature, Payments for approval
AD £23 for soil and plants (Tirabad) Cheque 100852; Sue Lilly £28.76 for daffodils for Cefn Gorwydd, £135 for SLCC renewal; Cllr Price for Road Poppies £42; LC for plants for Tirabad £48.94. Rent for Alexandra Hall, £25 Cheque 100853. All unanimously approved
 - c) Report from the Finance Committee
This was circulated immediately after the committee met.
- The toilets – do we open them over winter or do we close? This was voted on and produced no definite result. It was agreed to put it to the residents. **ACTION CLERK**

d) Budget and Precept Setting for 2023-24 (1)

- Discussion about annual donation to Welsh Air Ambulance vs donation to the local First Responders. It was unanimously agreed that the donation should go to the First Responders. (Their open day is on 12/11/2022)
- It was unanimously agreed to pay the usual donation to Builth Wells Community Services and to pay £50 to the Urdd.
- Cllr James hinted that Defib Pads might be able to be paid for.
- This first look at the precept and budget setting was proposed by Cllr Hather, Seconded by Cllr Woods and agreed unanimously.

2916 Any other business for the next meeting and matters for referral to the County Council

- The annual plea for salting the road to Tirabad. There is a statutory duty to enable children to get to school
- Repeating plea for extra bin space in Llangammarch, by the Post Office, to cope with the bags of dog mess.
- Query to Highways about the progress for scheduling of repairs to the road as you leave Llangammarch for Cefn Gorwydd
- Request for a letter to Powys Cemeteries about allowing the memorial to the children who died in the fire.
- All were agreed **ACTION CLERK**

- ❖ Date of Next Meeting was agreed as the 11th January 2023
- ❖ Venue; Alexandra Hall, Llangammarch, 7.30pm

Cllr Coldrick thanked everyone. This meeting was much longer than normal as the Police had come to talk to the Council.

The meeting closed at 9.55pm