

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LLANGAMMARCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL
HELD AT 7.30PM ON Wednesday 8th July 2020 via Zoom Pro**

Present: Cllr Sandra Wear, Cllr Kay Coldrick (Chairman), Cllr Matt Callan, Cllr Jon Hather, Cllr Mairwen Price, Cllr Anne Woods, Cllr Jeremy Andrews

In Attendance: Powys Cllr Tim Van Rees

Clerk & RFO: Sue Lilly

2692 Apologies: None

2693 Declarations of Interest: None

2694 Casual Vacancy

Following the resignation of Cllr Adrian Davies, we now have a Casual Vacancy. This has been notified to the Powys Monitoring Officer and is also on the LCC website.

2695 Minutes of the Meeting held on the 14th May 2020

These were agreed by all, proposed by Cllr Hather and seconded by Cllr Wear.

2696 Matters Arising

- **Cllr Wear** confirmed that the benches - been scrubbed, two need replacing. It was agreed last year that replacements would be of recycled plastic. One picnic table may need replacing. All wooden benches that have been scrubbed need treating. Benches have been offered from the community. **Cllr Price** will follow this up. These benches will become council assets.
- No news on the provision of dog waste bin for the pathway beside the river. Cllr Van Rees to follow up with Powys Public Health as waste bins are already emptied from outside the Post Office. **Action Clerk to provide emails to Cllr Van Rees**
- Ron and Rosemarie Birchall were very pleased to receive their birdbath.
- It was confirmed that all necessary authorities have been informed with regard Issues within premises in the village. Cllr Van Rees confirmed he will also enquire of Rachel Powell if anything can be done.
- Butterfly garden. This was completed on Monday the 6th July. Cllrs Callan, Wear, Coldrick and Price helping out, along with family members, all suitable socially distanced under the orders of Rachel Palmer from Keep Wales Tidy. The new water butts were very useful, but the planting needs protection from local cats and passing sheep. Seeds have been given too, for planting in the autumn. Thoughts that the local children might get involved with this. Gardening tools that came with the garden as being kept in Cllr Wear's garage, if anyone needs them.
Trees need cutting in Riverside Gardens. Anyone volunteering must be insured or sign a waiver to do this. Riverside gardens need a plan of action and it was agreed that a group be formed to work on this.
- Nothing has been heard back from Tirabad Hall about their electricity bill. **Action Clerk**
- NALC pay-scales are still not available

2697 Suggestions Box/NextDoor issues

- There was a complaint about the noise from the highways Depot in Llangammarch. Highways confirmed that the fence building had now finished.
- Several complaints about a speeding car that was also doing donuts at the crossroads. This has been reported to the police with the registration number and photograph.

2698 BT and Garth Road

The Clerk explained the situation with regard to broadband access in Garth Road. It appears that from Violet Cottage to Brynawelon on one side and all of the other, from Tanybryn down to the station, has no access. Pen y Bryn does, but it depends on which provider people use.

The Welsh Government IT department confirmed this is the case and suggested that the Clerk investigate how to fund access for these residents. It was unanimously agreed that the Clerk should do this. Cllr Woods pointed out that any development at Cefn Llan would also benefit.

2699 Planning

- Proposals for the development in Park Road seems to have relied on access, via Park Road, which has not been agreed.
- Pre-Planning Submission documents from Asbri about Maesyron, Cynala have been responded to. The council responded on the grounds of poor access. The residents around Maesyron responded in significant detail on many aspects. Cllr Van Rees confirmed that when this gets to Powys Planning he will 'call it in' for detailed, public scrutiny. It was recognised that any new business is very much needed, but in this case the access was difficult.

2700 PCC and other Correspondence

- A request received for a donation to Marie Curie. It was unanimously agreed to send £50.
- A request from Llandrindod Town Council to support their initiative on climate change. This was agreed but to also to see how things progress.
- The Clerk shared details of Hate Crime Training available
- Also shared was an opportunity to join in a Welsh Government discussion on where things should move forward after Covid-19.

2701 Public Conveniences

We have been unable to secure someone to clean the toilets. After much discussion about what this would currently involve, it was agreed to keep the toilets closed until there is a change in circumstances. The post will be re-advertised then. The closure does give the opportunity to move forward with the maintenance.

2702 Bus shelters

It has been brought to attention that the bus shelter at Tirabad did have some chalk graffiti, but that this is fading with the weather. If it does not fade completely, it can be scrubbed off and the wood preserver renewed.

2703 Finance

a) Receipts and Payments up to 8th July 2020.

These were unanimously agreed as accurate.

b) Cheques for signature

There were no cheques for signature.

c) Payments for approval

It was agreed to pay the invoices from the Clerk of £80.20.

It was also unanimously agreed to pay the IRPW payments, as signed for by 4 councillors.

It was agreed that Cllr Callan could buy the wood for the playground, timber preserver for that and the benches; that Cllr Price can be reimbursed for the cost of plants.

d) Still awaiting Barclays sending Cllr Coldrick a card for online payments. Cllr Andrews suggested to look at changing banks. **Action Clerk.**

2704 Any other business (non-substantive matters and matters for referral to the County Council)

Cllr Van Rees confirmed that in conversation with a local resident, she complimented the Llangammarch community on looking after her at this time. She also queried the Army activities. It was pointed out that their manoeuvres are made public. It was suggested that the timings be posted on the noticeboard and a link onto the website. Cllr Van Rees also confirmed that he is looking into issues of drainage into the Irfon.

- ❖ Date of Next Meeting – 9th September 2020, usually in Tirabad Hall, but may need to be on Zoom. Meeting Closed at 9.04 pm