

Cyngor Cymuned  
Llanddowror & Llanmiloe  
Community Council



**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**held at the Community Hall, Llanmiloe**

At 7.30 pm on Monday 14 December 2015

**1 Apologies for Absence**

201/15 Councillor T Paradice  
Absent: Councillor W P Evans

**2 Declarations of Personal Interest**

202/15 There were no Declarations of Personal Interest

**3 Minutes**

203/15 It was **Resolved** to accept The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> November 2015 as a true record.

**4 Correspondence received and sent since the last Ordinary Meeting, including:**

- 204/15 (a) Clerk read letter from Head of Asset Management Standards Carmarthenshire County Council (CCC) regarding road safety across trunk roads in Wales.
- (b) A letter had been sent to Councillor W P Evans stating that he had not attended any official meetings recently and was approaching the end of the 'six month rule' therefore in danger of losing his tenure as a councillor. It was **Resolved** that a letter be sent to Councillor Evans indicating he had now lost his status as Councillor, not having attended this evening's Meeting. Clerk to inform Electoral Services of the new vacancy.
- (c) Clerk read summary of Publication of the Positive Planning Implementation Plan from Chief Planner, CCC. Members received web-link to view the complete document.

**5 Finance and Accounts:**

205/15 Accounts Paid;  
M J Cory – Retiring Clerk's Salary £312.00  
D J Hughes – Clerk's Salary £312.00  
HMRC M J Cory – PAYE £78.00

206/15 Accounts Due;  
D J Hughes – Clerk's expenses – estimate, £30.00  
SLCC – subscription £103.00  
BDO – Audit £390.00

Signed as a correct record of the Minutes ..... (Chairman) 11 January 2016

- 207/15            Bank Reconciliation: Copy of Bank Statement was made available for Members along with the Cash Flow Forecast to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016.
- 208/15            Budget 2015 – 2016: Budget on course. Clerk to send updated copy to members when available.
- 209/15            Budget 2016 – 2017: Copy to be made available to members at the next meeting. Anticipated to be as this financial year.
- 210/15            Meeting Room Transactions: Payments totalling £422.00 recently credited. A cheque for £19.00 was issued for cutting of keys to the PCs and Meeting Room.

## 6      **Planning:**

- 211/15            Picton House Appeal: A copy of a letter from Hayston Developments and Planning Ltd to CCC was made available for Members' information.

## 7      **Events:**

- 212/15            Meetings, Local and National Events – including:
- (a)            Council Christmas Dinner – held at Elachi, St Clears, on December 5th, 2015: A very enjoyable evening had by members. Gift of watch presented to retiring Clerk.
- (b)            Group Photograph: Suggestion from Chairman for County Councillor that new Clerk, retiring Clerk and Members to meet at the Meeting Room in Llanddowror for a group photograph. It was **Resolved** that the photographs be taken immediately before the next Ordinary Meeting on 11 January. It was suggested that press publicity be made and inclusion on the Council's Web site.

## 8      **Administration:**

- 213/15            Public Conveniences – Councillor Tucker and M J Cory (as a member of the Meeting Room Working Party) agree to continue to oversee the Rota for cleaning the PCs. Cleaning materials need to be ordered.
- 214/15            Meeting Room: Computer Classes – Classes have finished for 2015. Further classes have been requested by residents for February and March 2016.  
Entrance door: Retiring Clerk indicated an issue with the door being rusted at the bottom which needs addressing.  
Quooker – Retiring clerk had requested that electrician fit the Quooker. Nothing further heard to date.  
T.V screen – need to keep an ambient temperature in the Meeting Room to try to eliminate condensation.
- 215/15            Change of Venue for meetings in Llanmiloe – Some members mentioned changing the meeting venue to Resources Centre. It was **Resolved** to make this change from February 2016.

## 9      **Training: Code of Conduct:**

- 216/15            The Council has expressed interest but nothing further heard as yet. It was recommended that New Clerk attend training along with new Councillors.

**10 Flooding Issues, Repairs and Works:**217/15 Llanddowror:

- (a) Development of Old Mill, Llanddowror – CCC is awaiting a relevant planning application from the Mill owner. It was **Resolved** to continue working with CCC Planning Department towards a resolution.
- (b) Tree branches overhanging pedestrian footpath – Retiring Clerk had sent a second letter to CCC regarding having overhead branches cut but there has been no reply to date.
- (c) Hydfron Close Ramp – There is an issue regarding access to Hydfron Close by elderly residents who may not be able to negotiate the steps leading to their bungalows. It was suggested that CCC be contacted regarding the provision of a ramp for ease of access. Photographs showing a ramp on the pedestrian footpath near the River Hydfron were made available.
- (d) Griffith Jones Centenary – A letter had been received from a resident who has requested a brown sign to be placed on the new A477 Trunk Road. Clerk to follow this up with SWTRA. It has also been suggested that a plaque be installed on a wall of St Teilo's Church and further enquiries to be made as to whether or not planning permission is required. Events are being arranged at Carmarthen Museum (Abergwili) and St Teilo's Church on 16 July 2016.
- (e) A Meeting of Flood Response Group Flood Wardens is to be held on 7<sup>th</sup> January at 2 pm in the Meeting Room Llanddowror. Delegates from CCC and Natural Resources Wales have been invited to attend to meet the new Co-ordinator and Clerk and to provide an update on developments. It was suggested that deforestation of woodland could exacerbate flooding. CCC's Biodiversity Officer is to be contacted.

218/15 Llanmiloe:

- (a) Maintenance of Coastal Path – It was reported that the complexities of establishing ownership is the main issue with regard to the paths. CCC is currently reviewing its policy on the maintenance of grass verges. It was also reported that the dumping of rubbish on the Coastal Path was an ongoing problem. These matters to be reported to CCC but concerns were expressed that this will not stop residents dumping rubbish.
- (b) Issued regarding the public footpath from Brook Mill to Capthorne – It was resolved to desist from pursuing this matter further owing to lack of public interest/use.
- (c) Trees near the Bus Shelter and Westmead Close – This matter has been raised with CCC Housing and Highways departments.

**11 Any Other Business for Discussion at the next Ordinary Meeting:**219/15 Llanmiloe: Repair to Notice board lock.**12 Date and time of next Ordinary Meeting:**7.30 pm on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2016 at the Community Meeting Room, Llanddowror.