

**CYNGOR CYMUNED  
LLANDDOWROR A LLANMILOE  
COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting  
Held at Talfan Farm, Llanddowror  
At 7.30 pm on Monday 13 January 2014

**Members Present:**

Chairman: Councillor G Owen  
Councillors: C B Dixon, W P Evans, M J Fear, J S Hewens,  
G James, T Paradise, W M Tucker

County Councillor: J Tremlett  
Clerk: M J Cory

**Minutes**

- 1 **Apologies for Absence:** Councillor E M Lloyd
- 2 **Declarations of Personal Interest:** None
- 3 **Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 9 December 2013:** were approved by the Council.
- 4 **Matters arising from the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 9 December 2013:** there were no matters arising.
- 5 **Correspondence:**

A Traffic Alert was issued by SRB informing of traffic lights in Llanddowror due to the new trunk road being built.

**6 Planning:**

01.14 Applications received since the last Meeting.

<u>Application No</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Result</u>
W/29107	Community Council – Change of Use PCs	Granted
W/28491	Improvements to Pont Newydd Bridge	Granted
W/29362	Safety Rails etc at Pont Newydd Bridge	Consultation

**7 Finance and Accounts:**

02.14 Accounts Paid: since last Meeting:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount £</u>
09/12/13	M J Cory	Salary	312.00
	HMRC	PAYE	78.00
	L&DCA	Grass Cutting Llanmiloe	450.00

03.14 Accounts Due: It was **Resolved** to pay the following:

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount £</u>
M J Cory	Clerk's Salary	312.00
HMRC	PAYE	78.00
SLCC	Annual Membership Fee	101.00
C Thomas	Stage Payments for Building Work – PCs	12,000.00
Page Designs	Stage Payment for Architect/Project Manager	2,000.00

04.14 Bank Reconciliation: Members were presented with the current account balance and bank reconciliation as follows:

Bank Balance as at 09/12/2013	£3,464.10	(Cr)
Less Cheques Written	£1,531.00	(Dr)
Add Uncleared Cheques as at 13/01/2014	£ 491.00	(Cr)
Add Precept from CCC	£3,666.66	(Cr),
Reconciled Bank Balance at 13/01/2014	£6,090.76	(Cr)

05.14 Budget Monitoring: Expenses were monitored against the set Budget for 2013-14.

06.14 Overdraft Facility- Barclays Bank: A meeting took place on 27 December at Barclays Bank in Carmarthen, between the Business Manager (Barclays), the Clerk and Cllr W M Tucker to discuss the temporary overdraft facility of £10,000 to cover anticipated costs for the refurbishment of the Public Conveniences, Llanddowror. Money spent will be repaid from the Grant money allocated to this Project.

07.14 Signatories for Barclays Bank Account: the Mandates are at present being processed for the additional signatories to the account.

08.14 Precept Requirement 2014/2015: It had been Resolved in a previous Meeting to increase the precept by £1,000 to cover basic costs of the Council. The Precept for 2014/15 will therefore be raised to £12,000 but it is hoped to reduce this in future years if possible. Clerk to send relevant documentation to CCC.

## 8 Events:

09.14 Local and National Events:

- (a) Tuesday 17 December 2013 - Town & Community Council County Liaison Forum: Councillors C B Dixon and W M Tucker attended this Forum and found it very informative.
- (b) Wednesday 22 January 2014 – One Voice Wales Carmarthenshire Area Committee: The Council's two representatives, Cllrs G Owen and W M Tucker offered their apologies as they were unable to attend this Meeting.
- (c) Wednesday 21 May/Tuesday 3 June/Tuesday 10 June – Buckingham Palace Garden Parties: Clerk to send the completed application form to One Voice Wales on behalf of the Chairman.
- (d) Ecumenical service of Commemoration at Carmarthen Park on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2014 at 2 pm.

## 9 Administration:

10.14 Public Conveniences, Llanddowror:

Planning Permission has been granted; there are some issues with Building Regulations but the Architect is dealing with these; all Grant Funding is now in place; we are waiting for confirmation from Barclays

Bank regarding the overdraft facility; the builder is anxious to begin work; the Lease is being finalised.

11.14 Co-option of Councillors:

Applications have been received from two Llanddowror residents for the position of Councillor, North Ward. It was **Resolved** that an interview take place at the start of the next Ordinary Meeting.

12.14 European Elections 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2014 – these will be held, for Llanddowror residents (BK Polling District), at our new Meeting Room in Llanddowror. Consideration is being given to withdrawing voting facilities at Bwlchnewydd Vestry and directing those voters to vote with electors from the BK Polling District.

13.14 Review of Community Seats – This Review has not been completed with final approval given by Carmarthenshire County Council on 13 November 2013. Members were presented with a copy of the Order making such changes relevant to our Council. These changes will take effect at the elections scheduled for May 2017.

14.14 Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places in Carmarthenshire - BK Polling District electors will be able to vote at the new Meeting Room in Llanddowror and those who would have previously voted at Bwlchnewydd Vestry (BJ Polling District) would also use the new Meeting Room.

## 10 Minor Repairs and Works:

(a) Llanddowror:

15.14 Flooding Update: All updated information regarding flooding is in the Llanddowror Community Newsletter, a copy of which was given to Members and sent out to residents and agencies involved.

16.14 Condition of Roads in Llanddowror: It had been reported that Tavernspite Road and Rectory Hill to St Clears road are in a poor condition. The Clerk has spoken to the Head of Technical Services about this and he said that although the roadwork lorries are using the roads there is nothing that can be done to stop them because these are public

roads. It is hoped that the Welsh Government Liaison Officer will be able to give an insight into what remedial measures could be undertaken.

17.14 Part-night lighting: Clerk to make enquiries with CCC regarding the provision of part-night lighting in the village.

18.14 Debris in R. Hydfron: Cllrs C B Dixon and W M Tucker walked the riverbank recently and observed that collapsed trees within the R Hydfron had been cleared, thus easing the flow of the river water. The document 'Living on the Edge' published by NRW is to be appended to the Newsletter so that residents are made aware of their rights and responsibilities.

19.14 Clearance of area alongside the Tavernspite Road: Cllr T Paradise provided photographs of an area near the forestry on the Tavernspite Road that appeared to be in need of attention. Cllr W M Tucker stated that SRB the new trunk road contractors had given their assurance that the area will be cleared before they leave.

20.14 Path in Pocket Lane to the Pedestrian Footbridge: The Clerk is in the process of determining whether this is a public footpath and if it is then CCC may agree to put some chippings there. It has been reported that a tree is overhanging the pedestrian bridge and there may be in danger of thick branches breaking and landing on pedestrians. The Community Association has been contacted as the tree is on their land and they have given an assurance that the work will be done as part of their Winter Maintenance Programme.

21.14 New lid required on waste bin near Pedestrian Bridge on Craig y Deilo Road: The previous lid got washed away in the flood of January last year. Clerk to request replacement lid from CCC.

**(b) Llanmiloe:**

22.14 Dead Tree Near Social Club: Cllr Hewens presented a map of the area showing where the work needs to be carried out. Clerk to contact Technical Services via email including this map.

23.14 Handrail alongside path to 'Bus Stop: an email has been sent to S Llewellyn CCC. Clerk to send a further email.

24.14 Leaking Guttering above Council Notice Board; this has been attended to.

25.14 Weeds Along Coastal Path: an email has been sent to Coastal Path authorities and Clerk is awaiting a reply.

26.14 Loose Bolts on Telegraph Pole: This has been resolved.

27.14 L&DCA: Cllr G Owen reported that works were ongoing to improve the newly acquired area and Grants were to be applied for in order to refurbish some of the buildings.

**11 Any Other Business for Discussion at the next Meeting:**

Llanddowror:

- Pilgrim's Way (Venture Footpath)
- Path from Ivy Cottage to Pedestrian Bridge
- The Pound in the Centre of Llanddowror and History of Village Sign
- Part Night Lighting

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- Coastal Path – weeds
- Trees - along the front of the main road and near the School
- Guttering missing and hanging down on the 'Bus Shelter by Westmead Close. Possibility of a site meeting with Cllr J S Hewens
- Land between Dukes Meadow and Wood End
- Cleaning of Pills near garages
- Debris in Brook

**12 Date and Time of Next Meeting:**

The next Meeting of the Council will be held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2014 at 6.30 pm at Llanmiloe Social Hall in order to conduct interviews for the position of North Ward Councillor and to conduct the Ordinary Matters of the Council.