

Cyngor Cymuned
Llanddowror & Llanmiloe
Community Council



Minutes of the meeting of Llanddowror and Llanmiloe Community Council

Held in Llanmiloe Resource Centre, Monday 11th November 2019.

Present: Cllr Phill Pickerskill (Chair), Cllrs, Sandra Hewens, David Howells, Gwyn Owens, County Cllr Jane Tremlett. In addition a member of the public was in attendance.

1. **Apologies for absence.** These were received from Cllrs Terence Langdon, Chris Holt, Nigel Hodson. Angela Crewes.
2. **Declaration of personal interests.** No personal interests were declared..
3. **Adoption of previous minutes** for 14th October 2019. These had been previously circulated. They were reviewed, and agreed as a true record, therefore signed – proposed by Cllr Hewens, seconded by Cllr Pickersgill.

4. County Councillor's report.

Cllr Tremlett stated that she had circulated updates on the two points raised in the last meeting: the broken bollard in Llanddowror Pocket Park had been replaced and concerns regarding the hedge at Soland Corner had been reported to the owner, who would arrange for it to be trimmed.

It was stated that a broken drain cover was in the grass opposite no 4 Llanmiloe which was potentially dangerous. Cllr Tremlett stated she would report that to CCC for repair. The kerbing of the bus shelter near Llanmiloe social club was loose and needed repair. In addition any update on the traffic calming in Llanddowror that could be provided was requested.

Cllr Tremlett then left the meeting

5. Matters on going from previous meeting:

- a. Llanddowror water channel. The contractor had been contacted and should be getting it done in soon.
- b. Chair plaque. In the absence of Cllr Holt this item was held over to the next month.
- c. Welsh Water rising main feedback. Cllr Pickersgill was continuing to chase this. There was no report on the investigations as yet.
- d. Noticeboards. The Llanmiloe one would need to be removed for sanding and varnishing – this would be hopefully done in the next month.
- e. Concerns raised with County Cllr in previous meeting. This had been covered in the County Councillor's report and the ensuing discussion.
- f. A477 junctions. The mapping overlay work had not yet been completed.
- g. Llanmiloe waste soil dumping. This was discussed at length, after Cllr Pickersgill reported on the meeting with the CCC officer. It was agreed to confirm whether a waste licence for placing soil so that it would be available to the Llanmiloe allotments would be needed, or whether an exemption might apply.

Signed _____ (Chair) as a true record of the meeting. Date: _____

- h. Biodiversity summary action plan. Cllr Owens had reviewed this in detail, and summarised the background of biodiversity and how residents could help the environment. It was agreed to adopt the action plan, and also to look towards supporting local residents and businesses with this, e.g. by supporting tree planting and wild flower areas. It was also raised that the lack of clearing of the paths over many years had led to paths becoming impassable due to flooding in Llanmiloe, and despite a lot of work to improve it the playing field in Llanmiloe becoming unusable every winter. It was agreed that NRW would be contacted about the lack of dredging. It was also agreed to look into re-use of the current wreaths to reduce single use plastic waste.
- i. St Clears Station. It was agreed that Cllr Howells would attend as a Council representative at the next meeting.
- j. New Councillor application. An applicant for the South Ward was present, and provided some personal background and why he would like to become a Councillor. After a brief discussion it was agreed the Council would be delighted to co-opt him. He duly signed his declaration, and then those present welcomed Cllr Jamie Rugg onto the Council.

6. New business:

- a. Financial Regulations. The Clerk had previously circulated these, and briefly explained that there had been some recommended updates to the standard regulations which had therefore been reviewed and updated by the Clerk. It was agreed by all to accept the revised version and adopt them.
- b. Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales draft report. This had previously been circulated by the Clerk, who explained that there was only one minor change to the mandatory requirements for community councils. The Council accepted the report.

7. **Financial report.** This was circulated in the meeting. It was reviewed and considered acceptable. The bank mandate was ready for signing and verification, but this would be delayed in the absence of the relevant Cllrs.

Invoices and payments agreed:

Clerk salary and expenses for November.
Clerk tax due for November
Dwr Cymru - £9.50 (direct debit) November
W3Webdesigns - £60.00 (work done to update website December 2017)
Llewelyn Davies – £726.00 - audit work 2017-18 and 2018-19

8. Correspondence:

- Carmarthenshire County Council Chair sponsored ‘walrus dip’ financial request for foodbanks.
- VE Day 2020 – information from SSAFA. If possible a flag would be flown from the Llanddowror flagpole to commemorate this.
- Thank you letter from Llanddowror Village Association for the fireworks donation.
- Thank you from Royal British Legion for wreaths.

9. Planning matters:

- **Application granted W/39645.** Change of use of land for the siting of 9 holiday lodges and associated infrastructure, alongside ecological mitigation and enhancement. Abercoran Farm, SA33 4RD.

10. Councillors reports and matters for next meeting:

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A number of streetlights were reported as not working – the Clerk would report them. In addition concerns were raised about a manhole cover that was dislodged in Llanddowror opposite the old school – the Clerk would report for resiting.

It was also raised that the current work in Pendine means that there are a lot of HGVs using the road, which is potentially damaging the road surface and pushing debris into the pills. This would be reported for checking.

There was also a concern expressed about standing water pooling on the A4066 in Llanmiloe adjacent to the old social club. This would be raised again with CCC.

Ideas that in principle the Council could look to support within the community in the future included wifi for Llanddowror Meeting Room, supporting Llanmiloe allotment provision, a flagpole for Llanmiloe.

11. Date and venue of next meeting.

This was agreed to be in Llanddowror Meeting Room at 7.00pm, on 9th December 2019

There being no other business, the meeting was closed at 8.55pm.

Signed _____ (Chair) as a true record of the meeting. Date:_____