

**Draft Minutes of a Meeting of the Cyngor Cymuned Llandrinio & Arddleen
Community Council held on Thursday 20th April 2023 at 7.30 p.m in
Arddleen Village Hall and was also accessible via the zoom platform.**
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Present: Cllr Mrs L M Roberts (Chairman), Mrs P M Jones, T N Davies, Mrs J Donaghy, Mrs L O'Connor, Mrs S M Townsend, B C Foulkes and M Budden

Apologies:- Cllra A A White, E A Wigley and Mrs N Watkins were accepted. 157/2023

Minutes of meeting held on Thursday 16th March 2023 had been circulated and were confirmed and signed by the Chairman 158/2023

Matters arising from meeting of 16th March 2023

159/2023 (116/2023) Clerk has obtained a price for a sign for the Carpark at Arddleen – it was agreed that the sign should be bi-lingual and also to include a disclaimer that vehicles park at their own risk. There was concern that the residents of the bungalows opposite would have nowhere to park their vehicles so it was agreed that they will be given a display disc to permit them to also park in the carpark. Powys County Council have also confirmed that there will not be a zebra crossing as requested nor pedestrian barriers. Clerk to write and ask them to reconsider this for the safety of the children crossing and walking to Arddleen School.

160/2023 (117/2023) Update received from NRW to say they are progressing the hydraulic model to include different scenarios. Clerk to ask for an update as to when the Canal culverts will be unblocked. Clerk to write to Chief executive NRW to complain about the delay and also to say that NRW caused this problem by not monitoring the ground levels when the track was built.

161/2023 (118/2023) Cllr Nic Watkin and the Clerk have met to check the new website which will now be launched.- more news items will be included from the Villages and also links to planning applications. Gloversure have confirmed that it will take a fortnight for the new Website to be tested and that it should be live at the beginning of May.

162/2023 (119/2023) Clerk, Cllr Mrs L O'Connor and Chairman of Llandrinio Village Hall are meeting on Fri 21st at Harrisions to discuss the title deed amendments and the wayleave for Scottish Power and find out more about the role of a Custodian Trustee.

163/2023 (128/2023) Clerk obtained a price for the Village Gateway signs (approx. £1000 for a pair with installation an extra £200) Highways Dept had been contacted and had asked for full details. Due to the high cost it was agreed to postpone for the time being. It was noted that the speed limit will reduce to 20mph in September. Clerk to ask for details of the new signage.

164/2023 (137/2023) Organisations within the Community have been contacted and offered a Grant to help celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III

165/2023 Accessing the meeting via zoom is possible but Cllrs are finding that it is difficult to communicate and that signal is often dropped – will review over the next 12 months

166/2023 (124/2023) It was noted that the money to enable Arddleen School to improve its energy efficiency was from Welsh Gov rather than previously stated as Powys County Council.

Update from County Councillor Mrs Lucy Roberts

- 167/2023 There will be a School Transformation Meeting on Monday 24th April for the Llanfyllin catchment Area – update at next meeting
- 168/2023 Cllr Lucy is part of a working group on the County Farms Committee looking at other forms of diversification such as horticulture.
- 169/2023 Problems are continuing with the collection of the recycling in Sarnau/Penrhos- Cllr Lucy asked to be notified of any further problems.

Reports from Councillors:-

- 170/2023 Cllr Stella had organized a meeting with the Chairs of other local Primary schools which had proved very useful in sharing information.
- 171/2023 Cllr Leigh gave an update on the last meeting of the Llandrinio Village Hall Committee. She is currently waiting for details of the Charity Commission log in so that the Financial returns can be submitted. The Committee had been supportive of the idea of creating a Community orchard.

Recreational Routes

- 172/2023 (125/2023) Powys County Council have been asked for their help again in relation to the extension of the pavement to Dragon's Bridge in Arddleen
- 173/2023 Cllr Alec had sent an email update on progress made so far on the Footpaths linking to the Canal. Question was raised as to whether the new kissing gates are high enough to prevent cattle escaping and the one installed on watery lane looks very steep for walkers to descend onto the verge. More signage is also needed by The Vine.
- 174/2023 Draft leaflet produced by Cllr Stella Townsend to help users of the Recreational Routes had been circulated. Cllrs felt this was a good starting point – Cllr Stella will add maps and resend another draft in due course.

Correspondence:-

- 175/2023 Notification from Powys County Council of a consultation on the Well-being Plan-closes 19th April 2023
- 176/2023 Update from Canal & River Trust – copy circulated
- 177/2023 Friends of Montgomery Canal newsletter for circulation
- 178/2023 Email giving details of a new Grant – Coetiroedd Bach – partnership between Welsh Gov & National Lottery heritage Fund looking to tiny forests.
- 179/2023 Invitation to an Environment and Nature Event on the 14th June at the Pavilion, Llandrindod Wells 9.30 a.m – 15.30 p.m
- 180/2023 Annual Report for the year ending 31st March 2023 had been circulated for discussion and was agreed.
- 181/2023 Russell George M.S has written to the Flood Forum expressing the concerns of the Community Council that we are not invited to any Flood meetings – response received which Clerk has forwarded to NRW
- 182/2023 Cllr Mrs J Donaghy attended the New Councillor Induction Training on the 11th April
- 183/2023 details from Emergency Medical retrieval and Transfer Services of dates for Public Engagement sessions available in person and online (forwarded to Councillors) Email also from Russell George M.S encouraging residents to attend these events which was also endorsed by County Cllr Lucy.
- 184/2023 Notice of Criggion Quarry Liaison Meeting on Fri 28th April 10.00 a.,m – Clerk sent her apologies.
- 185/2023 Invitation from Police & Crime Commissioner to a Public Information Event –

Clerk had replied that only a few days notice given whereas the Commissioners letter was dated several weeks ago.

196/2023 Concern expressed by resident that NRW are no longer giving predicted flood levels on the floodline. Cllr Lucy explained that a meeting is being organized between Russell George M.S, Craig Willaims M.P and David Preston from NRW which will also discuss the proposed water transfer from Wales and re-commence the Clywedog Vyrnwy Liaison meeting. Resident had also suggested a meeting with Julie James Climate Minister.

197/2023 Donation request from Penrhos Old School for £279.30 to replace Defib battery and carry out a Pat test. Also seeking support for a Grant towards an Electrical Inspection. It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Leigh O'Connor a Grant be given which was seconded by Cllr Mrs P M Jones. They would also be asked to send the cost of the Electrical Inspection for further consideration.

198/2023 Donation request from Llandrinio Church for maintenance of the Churchyard. Cllr Mrs L M Roberts declared an interest by virtue of being a member of Llandrinio Church Committee and withdrew from the meeting. Cllr Leigh chaired the item and it was proposed by Cllr Mrs P M Jones and seconded by Cllr T N Davies that a Grant of £500 be given.

199/2023 Penrhos Old School have said they do not wish to charge for the use by the Community Council to hold meetings. It was therefore agreed that the Grant earlier would be increased to £300 to allow a donation for the use of heat/light.

200/2023 Email from Public Participation Facilitator for the Shrewsbury & Telford Trust asking for any events at which they come also attend and talk to the public. Clerk to reply to suggest that a separate Event is organized by them and it was agreed that the Community Council would pay for the hire of the hall.

201/2023 Arddleen Newsletter which had been circulated to all councilors.

202/2023 Clerk reminded Councillors of the National Alert planned by the Government to all smart mobile phones at 3 p.m on Sun 23rd April 2023.

Planning:-

203/2023 Planning dept have responded to say that they are waiting for an application to be lodged in relation to Penrhos Farm so any Enforcement action has been postponed.

Councillors were dismayed at this procrastination and it was agreed to write to say amended timetable for Enforcement is now needed.

204/2023 Clerk has asked the Planning liaison Officer to ring Cllr Brian re: 22/1665/OUT – Holiday Lodge development at Clevelands. Cllr Brian has received an email asking for his comments/concerns but not had a phonecall.

205/2023 Minutes of a Planning Meeting (Arddleen Ward) held on Friday 17th March – planning permission now granted to 22/1974/FUL

206/2023 Agricultural notification 23/0033/AGR agricultural building for the storage of fodder at Argae Cottage, Llandrinio

207/2023 Minutes of a Planning Meeting (Arddleen Ward and Llandrinio ward)) held on Saturday 15th April 2023.

208/2023 Cllr Lucy had reported several new entrances which have been made without planning permission by Dingle Nurseries down The Wern.

209/2023 Cllr Lucy had spoken to the Planning Officer re; The Vine as some of the concerns of the community had been addressed i.e height of lighting reduced and width of bridleway increased, but the concern of drainage and the stoned area having a different surface water runoff rate to a grass field has not been addressed and the application will be determined by the Planning Committee.

210/2023 Complaint had been received from resident of Sarn Wen Meadows that only one rail had been put around the attenuation pond. The pond is adjacent to the Play Area and is

very steep sided. Any concerns will have to be addressed to the Management Company but Clerk will also notify Powys County Council. It was also noted that trees had been planted within the buffer zone and also some street lights – Clerk to report as an enforcement issue. It was also noted that the Play Area is not operational and is locked – Clerk to check the planning conditions.

Financial Matters:-

210/2023 Bank balance as at 20th April 2023;-

Current Account £ 628.16

Deposit Account £19949.12

Bank statements were checked and initialed by Chairman Cllr Mrs L M Roberts

211/2023 Permission granted to pay;-

i) Penrhos Old School £300.00 under L.G.A 1972 s112

ii) Gloversure Ltd £59.86 (reimburse Clerk) under L.G.A 1972 s112

iii) Mrs C E Davies Petty cash £50.00 under L.G.A 1972 s112

iv) Llandrinio Church £500.00 under L.G.A 1972 s214 (6)

v) Mrs C E Davies (reimbursement Viking) £72.38 under L.G.A 1972 s112

vi) Arddleen Community Association £24.00 (Hire of Hall) under L.G.A 1972 s112

212/2023 It was agreed to form a staffing committee to look at Clerk's rate of pay comprising of Cllrs Stella, Leigh and Brian.

213/2023 Clerk asked all Councillors to confirm by email by the 19th May if they do not wish to take the £153 flat rate towards their expenses.

214/2023 Annual Return was confirmed and signed by the Chairman

215/2023 Annual Governance and Risk assessment was confirmed and signed by the Chairman

Complaints:-

216/2023 Still no salt bin at Sarnau

217/2023 Complaint of dog fouling along the Sarnau straight

218/2023 Complaint had been received of turning into the junction by the railway crossing due to the speed of vehicles along the A483 – Cllr Lucy had passed onto North & Mid Wales Trunk Road Agency.

219/2023 Cllr Lucy has reported standing water at the entrance to badgers Field, Arddleen to the Highways dept.

220/2023 Cllr Lucy had also rung a local farmer to clear the mud off Hendre Lane. She will also speak to highways Dept as they had been ditching in the area and only part of the lane has been completed.

221/2023 Highways Dept was thanked for patching the road down the Wern,

Chairman's Remarks & invitation to any members of the public to speak

Meeting closed 9.45 p.m

Next Meeting; Annual Meeting Thursday 18th May Llandrinio Village Hall
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