

Draft Minutes of a Meeting of the Cyngor Cymuned Llandrinio & Arddleen Community Council held on Thursday 16th May 2024 at 7.30 p.m following the Annual Meeting in Llandrinio Village Hall and was also accessible via the zoom platform.
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Present: Cllrs Mrs L O'Connor (Chairman), Mrs P M Jones, B C Foulkes, Mrs S M Townsend, Mrs L O'Connor, A A White, T N Davies, Mr M Budden, Mrs L M Roberts and Cllr Mrs J Noblet.

Apologies:- 231/2024 Cllr A E Wigley and Mrs J Donaghy.

Cllr Brian Foulkes thanked Councillors for the get Well Card and their best wishes during his recovery.

Minutes of meeting held on Thursday 18th April 2024 had been circulated and approved. They were signed by the Chairman. 232/2024

Matters arising from meeting of 18th April 2024

233/2024 (164/2024) Arddleen Recreation Association had replied to say that the School already had a portrait of King Charles III . Penrhos Old School will ask the Committee if they would like a copy at their next meeting.

234/2024 (164/2024) Warm welcome was given to Mrs Jennifer Noblet who signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and will represent the Arddleen Ward.

235/2024 (165/2024) Cllr Jackie Charlton emailed to say that although the addition of the white 'H' markings on the road is not part of the planning permission that Primesave have agreed to do this the next time their lining machine is in the area within the next 4 -6 weeks Primesave, however, have emailed to say that it might be up to 6 months before they get around to do the lines. Clerk to forward this email to Cllr Charlton.

236/2024 (167/2024) Clerk has reminded Scottish Power of their promise to reimburse the Community Council of the Solicitor's Costs and the cost of the Survey by Morris Marshall & Poole.

237/2024 (168/2024) SVWMS is currently running a consultation on the scope of its Appraisal Document – Clerk & Cllr Roberts had read the document which is overarching and covers all aspects.

238/2024(194/2024) Cllr Alec White recently attended the Montgomery Canal Forum on the 22nd April – update was circulated.

239/2024 (213/2024) Freedom of Information request sent to Powys County Council re; water quality of River Severn at Llandrinio Bridge. This had been returned and referred to NRW who have replied to say that they will send data and explained that Public Health Wales will need to make an assessment.

Update from County Councillor Mrs Lucy Roberts

240/2024 Cllr Lucy had attended training and a briefing on how Powys County Council currently deal with potholes.

241/2024 Cllr Lucy had been approached by a resident keen to repaint the Bus shelter at Trawscoed – it was agreed to ask for a sketch

242/2024 Complaints of speeding had been received down Rhos Common and also Burgedin, Arddleen – Clerk to pass on to PCSO

Reports from Councillors:-

243/2024 Cllr Stella reported as Chair of the Governors at Arddleen School that they had appointed a new Acting Head and are now in the process of recruiting a deputy head and a teacher.

244/2024 Deytheur Turst were actively monitoring trees on their property and felling if dangerous. Review of the Constitution will be carried out at their next meeting.

245/2024 Cllr Leigh confirmed that Llandrinio Village Hall Committee had submitted 3 Grants to the Community Ownership Fund in respect of work needed to add a false ceiling, add double glazing and turn the store room into a small committee room. Fibre Broadband will be installed soon. Cllrs thanked Cllr Leigh for all her efforts in helping the Committee.

Recreational Routes

246/2024 Cllr Alec said work to clear vegetation had started with most footpaths now clear. It was disappointing to see that some farmers had cultivated the land and not reinstated the footpaths. Footpath Officer had written to those farmers responsible and also to the owners of Mount Farm who had blocked a bridal way.

247/2024 Photographs are now being added to the draft of the walking/cycling Leaflets

Correspondence:-

248/2024 Details of Citizen Advice Bureau Powys Pilot Outreach Service starting in Welshpool on Thursday 16th May from 10 am to 2 p.m

249/2024 Posters put into Noticeboards to encourage more Foster Carers in Powys

250/2024 Details from Powys Teachign Health Board of their campaign to reduce abuse and violence towards people who are providing vital services in Wales

251/2024 Details from P.A.V.O of Career Coaching and Wellbeing Support to help young people access employment and training through career coaching

252/2024 Details from One Voice Wales of a new Report published detailing the statistical work undertaken to enable 'Education Welsh for All – Reaching the Objective'

253/2024 Email from Arddleen & District Community Association to advise that they were hoping to access a new Grant which would have helped them repair the roof but the timescale to submit the application is too short to be able to secure 3 Grants

254/2024 Confirmation received that the next date for the Criggion Quarry Liaison meeting is Fri 8th Nov at 10 a.m

255/2024 Clerk & Councils Direct for circulation

256/2024 Clerk had submitted a letter in support of a Grant application by the Llandrinio Hall Committee to insulate the building

257/2024 Confirmation from Gloversure Ltd that the Website has been updated to WordPress 6.5.3

258/2024 Letters received from EMRTS and Wales Air Ambulance Charity Chief Executive to explain that the closure of the base in Mid Wales will allow the Charity to save more lives and attend more emergencies.

259/2024 Updated Contract of Employment received from One Voice Wales – Clerk will check whether any amendments to current Contract are need.

260/2024 Renewal renewed from Zurich Insurance for £624.67 – agreed to renew

261/2024 Updated guidance received from One Voice Wales with regard to the timescale for paying Members Allowances -noted

262/2024 Equality & Diversity Policy was circulated and subsequently adopted.

263/2024 Notification from One Voice wales of 2 free spaces on selected Training Courses

264/2024 Email from Powys County Council explaining that due to an I.T upgrade the Planing Portal will not be available from the 28th to the 30th May.

Planning:-

265/2024 Still no response from Planning Dept re; discharge of condition 16 attached to P2016 1016 re; Safety Audit of Mini-Roundabout – Clerk to forward to Portfolio Holder Cllr Jake Berriman

266/2024 Planning permission requested for 24/0579/HH – Erection of a 2 storey extension etc at Kingswood – Planning site visit arranged for Fri 24th May 2024

267/2024 Email from Planning Dept to explain that certificate of Lawfulness description has been amended re; Penrhos Farm. It was agreed to maintain the objection as a building of this size would not be allowed under permitted development for agricultural sue.

Financial Matters:-

268/2024 Bank balance as at 16th May 2024:-

Current Account £ 388.84

Deposit Account £23860.53

Bank statements were checked and initialed by the Chairman Cllr Mrs L O'Connor.

269/2024 The increase in Clerk's Salary has triggered Employers N.I and a demand for 360.84 had been received from H M Revenue & Customs. This should be refunded in the next financial year as Clerk has not

reached this threshold. Clerk to look at options of Payroll software.

270/2024 Permission granted to pay;-

i) Zurich Insurance £624.67 under L.G.A 1972 s112

ii) Harrison's £1083.60 under L.G.A 1972 s112

iii) Mrs C E Davies (reimbursement of Viking) £99.14. under L.G.A 1972 s112

iv) Morris Cook £168.00 under Audit Commission Act 1980 s6

v) Gloversure Ltd (Renewal Domain name) £42.00 under L.G.A 1972 s112

vi) Mrs C E Davies (reimbursement of Employers N.I) £360.84. under L.G.A 1972 s112

vii) Mrs C E Davies (Petty cash) £100.00. under L.G.A 1972 s112

Complaints:-

271/2024 Trees now trimmed on Crabtree Corner

272/2024 Powys County Council reminded for an update re: repair of Llandrinio Bridge – Cllr Lucy will ask Matt Perry head of Highways.

273/2024 Letter received from a resident complaining of the blocked grid at the bottom of Penthryn Lane - this has already been reported by the Clerk following an earlier complaint. Clerk to request Highways Dept to make a site visit.

274/2024 Thanks were given to Cllr Brian Foulkes who had organized Neighbourhood watch Signs for the Community – Cllr Neil Davies offered to put these up in Arddleen.

275/2024 Complaint received that there are no warning signs at Rodney's Pillar to warn visitors of the danger of the structure now that the fence has been taken down.- Clerk to pass on to NRW.

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

276/2024 It was agreed that the Clerk's Appraisal would be March 2025 on completion of the Cilca training. Meeting closed 9.10 p.m

Date for next Meeting –

Thursday 20th June Llandrinio Village Hall

Thursday 18th July Llandrinio Village Hall

Thursday 19th Sept Arddleen Old School

Thursday 17th Oct Penrhos Village Hall

Thursday 21st Nov Arddleen Old School