

CYNGOR CYMUNED BETWS YN RHOS A LLANELIAN YN RHOS
COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, LLANELIAN YN RHOS
AT 7:30pm MONDAY EVENING THE 6th FEBRUARY 2023

1. **WELCOME** – The Chairman, Councillor Irwedd GRIFFITHS welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. **PRESENT** –Councillors John EVANS; Glenna HUMPHREY; D Gwyn JONES; Goronwy R. WILLIAMS; Hefin WILLIAMS; Gethin OWEN; Bryn JONES; County Councillor Ifor G LLOYD.
3. **APOLOGIES** – Councillor John D ROBERTS.

4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Members are reminded that they must declare the existence and nature of any personal interests using the form provided for the purpose. Councillor Ifor LLOYD has stated that he sits on the planning committee and as such cannot take part in any decisions made on applications being discussed, but he could answer questions relating to planning regulations and policies.

- a. There was no declaration of interest voiced.

5. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on the 9th January 2023 were read, approved and signed. (Proposed by Coun. Goronwy R WILLIAMS and seconded by Coun. John EVANS)

6. MATERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

7. FINANCE

- a. FINANCE for the period ending 20th January 2023. Members noted the financial situation and the Bank accounts as listed below:-

(1) Community Account = £9,624.39 (Brought Forward)

Money Received = £0.00

Money Paid Out = £6.60 (Bank Charges - DR)

	= £55.80 (Aston Hughes – Payroll Services - POL)
	= £405.39 (Clerk's wages – SO)
	= £101.40 (HMRC – SO)
Not yet presented	= £40.00 (Annual Cost of ICO GDPR - 200151)
<u>Community Account</u>	<u>= £9,055.20 (Carried Forward)</u>
(2) Business Account	= £5,559.52 (Brought Forward)
Money Paid Out	= £0.00
Money Received	= £0.00
<u>Business Account</u>	<u>= £5,559.52 (Carried Forward)</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>= £14,614.72 (Carried Forward)</u>

All agreed that the accounts were correct

- b. Regarding on-line banking the Clerk is now paying invoices by on-line banking where possible Arrangements to be made to pay regular payees via SO and DD.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

i. Received

- a. Letter from Planning applicant at Springtime Lodges Ltd
- b. Letter from Darren Millar AM offering to attend a council meeting to discuss local issues.
- c. Census to be completed by Save Welsh Lives in regard to defibrillators.
- d. Letter from UK Shared Prosperity Fund.
- e. Letter from Mrs Ann Vaughan regarding Trofarth Cemetery.
- f. Letter from CCBC regarding a WiFi connection to the Sports Pavilion
- g. Letter from Elen Mai Roberts regarding a Youth Drama Company. It was decided to give a donation of £200 towards the cost of hiring the Village Hall etc.
- h. Letter regarding the coronation of King Charles III

ii. Sent

- i. Responses and enquiries to CCBC's Planning Department
- j. Letters and emails received requiring forwarding to Councillors.
- k. Letter re UK Shared Prosperity Fund to Llanellian Community Centre Committee

9. GRANTS

i. Applications to the Community Council for payment on receipt of Precept

- a. Ty Gobaith
- b. Llanelian yn Rhos elderly.
- c. Trofarth cemetery
- d. Air Ambulance Charity
- e. Urdd Gobaith Cymru
- f. Calan Mai Eisteddfod

ii. Applications by the Community Council

- a. Local Places for Nature - towards a starter pack for wild flower beds and shrubs around the Betws yn Rhos playing fields and Pavillion. This grant application was successful and the pack has been delivered. A discussion took place as to where the planters etc should be placed. There were a few suggestions. This needs to be discussed with the local residents.
- b. The equipment in the children's playground . A substantial grant will be required to obtain new play equipment. The Clerk to obtain quotes from relevant play equipment companies to have an idea of cost for a suitable grant to be sought.

10. PLANNING - <http://www.conwy.gov.uk/planningexplorer>

- a. Application No: 0/50362 Grid Reference: 290484,373356
Application Type: Full Case Officer: Received Date : 18/11/2022 Registered Date: 10/01/2023 Development Type(s): New Development
Ward: Betws Yn Rhos Community Council: Cyngor Cymuned Betws-yn-Rhos
Community Council Location: Land at Bron Derw Betws Yn Rhos Conwy LL22 8FD
Proposal: Construction of new dwelling and associated works
Application by Mr Barry Mc DOWELL, 106 Foryd Road, Kinmel Bay

11. INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL AUDIT MATTERS.

The Clerk is waiting for the result of the External Audit (Audit Wales). Following telephone conversations with Audit Wales it would seem there had been problems at Audit Wales this year which has caused delay to some audits being carried out.

12. CONWY COUNTY COUNCIL AND CLLR. IFOR LLOYD MATTERS

- a. CCBC have decided to place a speed restriction o 30mph through the village of Llanelian yn Rhos. The work should be started in a few weeks.
- b. The problems with the B5381 near Bryn Pin should soon be resolved. Hogan Bros are preparing to carry out some maintenance work.
- c. Conwy County Council have now agreed to continue the lease on the Llanelian Community Centre, so now the funding work can continue.

- d. There is still a problem of fly-tipping in the area. We need to persuade people to take details and report anyone they see leaving rubbish in our open spaces.

13. EQUIPMENT FOR ENABLING COUNCIL MEETING TO BE ACCESSED DIGITALLY

As a matter of inclusivity, the Council is now obliged to facilitate the provision for Council members to take part in meetings remotely, so as to enable those who find it difficult to attend for whatever reason. A reasonable quotation has now been received. Following this meeting being held at the Sports Pavilion the Community Council has now decided that the Betws yn Rhos meetings will be held here in future. It was also decided to arrange the fitting of suitable equipment to hold the meetings interactive and to have a WiFi connection in the Pavilion as soon as that can be resolved. Conwy Council have refused our request to fit, and refused to give permission to link into the existing WiFi connection in the Village Hall. A request will now have to be made to BT for a connection.

14. MAINTENANCE OF RESOURCES WITHIN THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL AREA.

- a. Damaged/broken old type road-sign at the junction of Capel Bach Sion. To have one made in cast iron is too expensive. We need to ask CCBC to replace the road-sign.
- b. Play equipment for younger children at the Betws yn Rhos playing fields – will look to add to the resources once the maintenance has been carried on the existing equipment by CCBC. In the meantime, we need to look for funding.
- c. Overgrowth on local green lanes and paths – An article to be placed in the Gadlas requesting those who walk the local paths to make a note of all areas in need of maintenance.

15. AWEL Y MOR and GWYNT Y MOR OFFSHORE WINDFARM

The Council has now registered with Awel y Mor as an interested organisation so that we can be updated with the latest information. A similar project is now under way named Gwynt y Mor. The Council will keep these developments under review. The on-shore cabling from the latest development may be planned to run through some of the Community Council areas.

16. LOCAL CAMPAIGN TO CONTROL THE DEVELOPMENT OF WINDFARMS IN THE AREA

There were 89 attendees at the public meeting in the Betws yn Rhos Village Hall on the 30th January. The information presented was of a very high standard and a testament to the hard work that has gone into researching the issue of wind farms being built in the area. Following an open discussion there was obviously a strong opposition to this idea. This subject is discussed at every Community Council meeting but it is very difficult to further any action without an actual planning application being made. If an application is made to Conwy Council then the Community Council will write immediately to the CJC (Combined Joint Council) when that entity has been formed. It was decided to give a donation of £200 towards the preparation and holding of the above event.

17. NATURE TRAIL

A suggestion has been made to make use of the old drovers' road and the old roman road as a possible location for the nature trail. Support will be required from someone with

knowledge of the local history, the local wildlife and the local footpaths. A request to be placed on local noticeboards, websites and community newspapers. There has been no response to the suggestion thus far.

18. LLANELIAN YN RHOS COMMUNITY CENTRE

This item is on the agenda so that we can keep up with how the project is progressing, and so that we can offer support when required. Conwy Council have now agreed to extend the lease on the Centre which will allow the funding process to take place.

19. Y GADLAS

An article will be sent to the Gadlas with regard to the work required on the local footpaths, to include styles and gates.

20. PRECEPT 2023/2024

The Clerk has prepared the application and sent it to CCBC. We can now remove this item from the agenda.

21. VACANCY ON THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

There is a vacancy on the Community Council that requires filling. Consideration to be given to anyone wishing to fill this post.

22. ANY OTHER MATTERS

- a. Enquire why a speed restriction has not been placed on the road near Ysgol y Plas.
 - b. Bring to the attention of CCBC the road conditions at some road junctions in the area.
- There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.40pm

CHAIRMAN: Irwedd Griffiths

CLERK: Tom Jones

DATE: 7th March 2023