# 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 17<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2023

- 1. WELCOME The Chairman, Councillor Irwedd GRIFFITHS welcomed everyone to the meeting, and stated that the council members' thoughts and prayers were with Councillor John D ROBERTS at the moment following the passing of his wife Margaret and for his own speedy recovery from the extensive surgery he had recently endured. He would probably not be in a position to attend Council meetings until his full recovery.
- 2. PRESENT –Councillors John EVANS; Glena HUMPHREY; D Gwyn JONES; Goronwy R. WILLIAMS; Hefin WILLIAMS; Bryn JONES; County Councillor Ifor G LLOYD. Also present as observers were Gwenda DAVIES and Catrin HUGHES
- 3. APOLOGIES Councillors John D ROBERTS; Gethin OWEN

## 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 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023 were read, approved and signed. (Proposed by Coun. Bryn JONES and seconded by Coun. John EVANS)

## 6. MATERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

## 7. FINANCE

a. FINANCE for the period ending 20<sup>th</sup> March 2023. Members noted the financial situation and the Bank accounts as listed below:-

(1) Community Account = £9,454.42 (Brought Forward)

Money Received = £250.00 (CCBC Additional Warm Hub Grant)

Money Paid Out = £5.40 (Bank Charges - DR)

= £200.00 (Donation to Betws yn Rhos Drama Group – OLP)

= £405.39 (Clerk's wages - SO)

= £101.40 (HMRC - SO)

= £60.00 (Betws yn Rhos Village Hall rent - OLP)

Not yet presented = None

<u>Community Account</u> = £8,932.23 (Carried Forward)

(2) Business Account = £5,559.52 (Brought Forward)

Money Paid Out = £0.00

Money Received = £12.97 (Bank Interest – CR)

<u>Business Account</u> = £5,572.49 (Carried Forward)

Total = £14,504.72 (Carried Forward)

All agreed that the accounts were correct

## 8. CORRESPONDENCE

## i. Received

- a. Letter from Llyr Gruffydd MS requesting the placing of his poster on our notice board.
- b. Letter from Local Places for Nature to confirm our receipt of the starter pack.
- c. Letter from Betws and Llanelian Historical Society requesting financial support for the publication of their book.
- d. Reminder from Zurick unicipal Insurance for the renewal of the council's insurance.
- e. Sales letter from ElanCity regarding interactive road signs.
- f. Sales letter Glasdon regarding Welsh Waste regulations and resources.
- g. Letter from CCBC regarding the availability of the Community Cohesion Fund 202324.
- h. Regular emails from One Voice Wales, Public Service Executive etc. with those relevant being forwarded to the councillors, and available from the Clerk.
- i. Letter from Grwp Cynefin regarding a Rural Housing Enabler meeting at Llanddulas Community Centre on 29<sup>th</sup> March details already circulated to councillors.
- j. Conclusion of Audit notification for placing on Community Notice Boards

#### ii. Sent

- a. Responses and enquiries to CCBC's Planning Department
- b. Letters and emails received requiring forwarding to Councillors.

c. Response to letter from Betws and Llanelian Historical Society re funding.

#### 9. GRANTS

- i. Applications to the Community Council amounts to be confirmed and published on agreement of Precept
- a. Ty Gobaith £100.00
- b. Llanelian yn Rhos elderly £400.00
- c. Community Cemetries £750.00
- d. Air Ambulance Charity £100.00
- e. Urdd Gobaith Cymru £100.00
- f. Calan Mai Eisteddfod £300.00
- g. Cymdeithas Hanes Lleol Betws a Llanelian £250.00

## ii. Applications by the Community Council

a. CVSC are now assisting the Community Council to resource suitable grants for various projects within the community.

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

- a. Application No: 0/50560 Development Type(s): Change Land Use Community Council: Cyngor Cymuned Betws-yn-Rhos Community Council Location: Ty Ni Pen Y Bryn Trofarth Betws Yn Rhos LL22 8BE Approval of condition no 5 (Landscaping Scheme) of planning approval 0/48608 (Extended caravan area from 5 touring caravans to 10 touring caravans). Confirm with Planning Department that this is the same application as the previous made under Tan y Bryn Farm.
- b. Reference: 0/50483 Applicant: Andrea and Keith Owen Easting: 285629 Northing: 373063

Proposal: Single storey side extension and associated works Location: Tan Y Bryn Bach, Tan Y Bryn Bach Road, Dolwen, Betws Yn Rhos, LL22 8NT.

This application had been discussed previously and there were no objections.

- c. Reference: 0/50493 Applicant: Mr Arwel Evans
  Proposal: Replacement agricultural shed and associated works
  Location: Glan Aber, Cilgwyn Road, Llanelian Yn Rhos, Colwyn Bay, Conwy, LL29 8YR.
  This application had been discussed previously and there were no objections.
- d. 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. Concerns have already been expressed to the Planning Department regarding this application, in relation to the size and scale of the build in relation to surrounding dwellings as well as fenestration.

e. Reference: 0/50531 Applicant: Gareth Williams
Proposal: Extension to the Agricultural shed to provide a slurry pit and storage provisions as noted in the client needs statement.

Location: Bethgeth, Cill Llidiart Road, Betws Yn Rhos, LL22 8AG.

Concerns have already been expressed to the Planning Department regarding this application, in relation to the SUDS report (the water supply to nearby dwellings emanate from this field), and the business case for this size of structure. There are now also concerns as to some changes in the report made by the Environment Agency.

f. Reference: 0/50613 Application Type: Full Registered Date: 24/03/2023 Development Type(s): Change Land Use

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Location: Bryn Rodyn Dolwen Road Old Colwyn Colwyn Bay LL29 8UU Change of use of land for the storage of caravans with associated creation of hardstanding and landscaping (revised scheme). There was a concern that this site is now being overdeveloped which will cause extra traffic to and from the site and will also have a detrimental visual effect from the direction of Llysfaen

g. Reference: 0/50572 Application Type: Full Registered Date: 15/03/2023 Development Type(s): Minor Development Extension Community Council: Cyngor Cymuned Betws-yn-Rhos Community Council Location: 1 Bodelian Ysgubor Newydd Road Llanelian Yn Rhos Colwyn Bay LL29 8UY Variation of condition no 4 (Landscaping) of planning approval 0/48055 (Variation of Condition no 2 of planning consent 0/46072 (Proposed Two storey side extension and Single Storey rear extension and landscaping.) to allow for amended design to remove Velux windows and propose dormer window.

There were no objections to this application.

## 11. INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL AUDIT MATTERS.

The 2021 – 2022 Audit has now been completed without any issues or recommendations. A copy of the 'Notice of Conclusion of Audit and Right to Inspect the Annual Return has been placed on the Council's webpage and on the community notice boards. The Clerk is now preparing the Internal Audit for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023.

## 12. CONWY COUNTY COUNCIL AND CLLR. IFOR LLOYD MATTERS

- a. There is an advert in existence regarding a summer music event at Coed-Coch. Enquiries to be made with CCBC's Licensing Department to confirm whether an application has been made.
- b. There may be resources available to develop a new Ti a Fi Club at Betws yn Rhos.

## 13. EQUIPMENT FOR ENABLING COUNCIL MEETING TO BE ACCESSED DIGITALLY

As a matter of inclusivity, the Council is obliged to facilitate the provision for Council members and the public to take part/observe meetings remotely. The BT line has now been installed at the Sports Pavilion with a WiFi connection. The interactive equipment should be installed in the next two weeks.

## 14. MAINTENANCE OF RESOURCES WITHIN THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL AREA.

- a. Road-sign on the corner of Capel Bach Sion The CCBC ERF department have been requested to replace the existing signs. A further request has been made.
- b. Play equipment for younger children at Betws yn Rhos playing fields Quotes have been received to have some idea of costs and steps are being taken to source funding. A community consultation will be held over the next few weeks to decide what new play equipment to consider.
- c. Overgrowth on local green lanes and footpaths there has been no response to a request for feedback to date on the state of the local footpaths nor for suggestions of a Nature Trail.
- d. The grant funded Warm Hub has now come to an end. However, it is hoped that the facility for a social meeting, cup of tea, coffee, cold drink with light refreshments will continue through the Spring into the Summer. It will now be called simply 'The Hub'/ 'Yr Hwb'. Volunteers are still required to supervise the meetings which will run between 9:00 and 12:00pm every Tuesday morning at the Sports Pavilion, Betws yn Rhos.
- e. Drama Workshops at Betws yn Rhos Village Hall This has been a success with the group displaying their talents in adjoining communities. All are asked to support and frequent these workshops.
- f. Playing Out Summer 2023 The Community Council have invited the CCBC Youth Summer Programme to visit Betws yn Rhos again this summer to provide two of their playing out sessions. The dates should be available soon.
- g. Defibrillators A survey on local defibrillator locations and use is being carried out and the Community Council is keen to bring all five defibrillators within the community under the one umbrella for easier administration. Discussions along these lines will continue over the next few weeks.

## 15. LOCAL CAMPAIGN TO CONTROL THE DEVELOPMENT OF WINDFARMS IN THE AREA

This subject is discussed at every Community Council meeting but as previously stated 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.

## **16. 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.

## 17. 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. The planning for this is now continuing at pace and we look forward to see some positive steps taking place over the next few months.

#### 18. Y GADLAS

An article has been sent to the Gadlas with regard to 'The Hub'.

#### 19. 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. One application has been received so far. A decision to coopt a new member will be made at the Community Council AGM on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023, at the Sports Pavilion at Betws yn Rhos.

#### 20. ANY OTHER MATTERS

a. The Monkey Puzzle tree planted by the Betws yn Rhos schoolchildren during HM Queen Elizabeth II Silver Jubilee seems to be dying. A tree sourced from the same supplier on the same day and planted elsewhere on the same day is flourishing. A replacement tree may need to be planted.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.40pm

CHAIRMAN: Irwedd Griffiths

CLERK: Tom Jones DATE: 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023