

CYNGOR CYMUNED BETWS YN RHOS A LLANELIAN YN RHOS
COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE SPORTS PAVILION, BETWS YN RHOS
AT 7:30pm MONDAY EVENING THE 4th SEPTEMBER 2023

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

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 were two declarations of interest voiced: Councillors Irwedd GRIFFITHS and Goronwy R WILLIAMS. The relevant forms were completed to this effect.

5. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on the 3rd July 2023 were read, approved and signed. (Proposed by Coun. Glenna HUMPHREY and seconded by Coun. Gwyn D JONES)

6. MATERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

7. FINANCE

The monthly Financial Statement was produced for the period ending 20th July 2023. Members noted the financial situation and the Bank accounts as listed below:-

(1) Community Account = £7,321.13 (Brought Forward)

Money Received = £0.00

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

	= £405.39 (Clerk's wages – SO)
	= £101.40 (HMRC – SO)
	= £55.80 (Aston Hughes – Payroll Services-SO)
Not yet presented	= None
<u>Community Account</u>	<u>= £6,753.14 (Carried Forward)</u>
(2) Business Account	= £5,591.15 (Brought Forward)
Money Paid Out	= £0.00
Money Received	= £0.00
<u>Business Account</u>	<u>= £5,591.15 (Carried Forward)</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>= £12,344.29 (Carried Forward)</u>

The monthly Financial Statement was produced for the period ending 20th August 2023. Members noted the financial situation and the Bank accounts as listed below:-

(1) Community Account	= £6,753.14 (Brought Forward)
Money Received	= £3,000.00 (CCBC Precept)
Money Paid Out	= £5.00 (Bank Charges - DR)
	= £405.39 (Clerk's wages – SO)
	= £101.40 (HMRC – SO)
	= £200.00 (Betws & Llanellian Historical Society – Grant-OLP)
	= £180.00 (Llanellian Community Centre – Community Centre Rent – OLP)
	= £177.00 (One Voice Wales – Annual Subscription-OLP)
Not yet presented	= None
<u>Community Account</u>	<u>= £8,684.35 (Carried Forward)</u>
(2) Business Account	= £5,591.15 (Brought Forward)
Money Paid Out	= £0.00
Money Received	= £0.00
<u>Business Account</u>	<u>= £5,591.15 (Carried Forward)</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>= £14,275.50 (Carried Forward)</u>

All agreed that the accounts were correct.

Following the Internal Audit it is now necessary to have the Council's agreement before any invoices are paid on-line.

The following Invoices require paying:

£400.00 – Llanelian yn Rhos Community Association – Elderly Welfare Grant

£100.00 – Hope House Children’s Hospices – Grant Donation

£500.00 – Betws yn Rhos Sports & Recreation Assoc. – Part of The Warm Hub Grant

The Council agreed to pay these Invoices.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

i. Received

- a. A from Darren Millar AM asking for his latest posters to be displayed on our noticeboards.
- b. A notification from CCBC explaining the need for various road surface improvements to be made locally. This was work carried out from a previously issued contract.
- c. A letter from Creative Play advertising their services.
- d. A Teams on-line meeting notification from the Town and Community Council Forum. As the Clerk will be abroad on the date in question the invite was open to any of the councillors to attend.
- e. Regular emails from One Voice Wales, Public Service Executive etc. with those relevant being forwarded to the councillors, and available from the Clerk.

ii. Sent

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

9. GRANTS

i. Applications to the Community Council.

- a. No further applications at the moment.

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. 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
The Council’s Planning Department state that that the necessary amendments have been made.
- b. Application No: 0/50914 Application Type: Full
Received Date : 29/06/2023 Registered Date: 07/07/2023
Development Type(s): Household

Ward: Betws Yn Rhos Community Council: Cyngor Cymuned Betws-yn-Rhos
Community Council Location: Alltwen Dolwen Road Llysfaen LL29 8AQ
Proposal: A single storey extension to the western elevation and two storey extension on the eastern elevation.

There were no objections to this application.

c. Application No: 0/50886 Application Type: Full
Received Date: 21/06/2023 Registered Date: 04/07/2023
Development Type(s): Household

Ward: Betws Yn Rhos Community Council: Cyngor Cymuned Betws-yn-Rhos
Community Council Location: Coach House Cil Llidiart Road Betws Yn Rhos LL22 8AR
Proposal: Erection of flat roof car port over existing hard standing car parking area.
There were no objections to this application.

d. Application No: 0/50943 Application Type: Agricultural Building Prior Approval

Date: 13/07/2023 Registered Date: 19/07/2023

Development Type(s): Non-Residential

Ward: Betws Yn Rhos

Community Council: Cyngor Cymuned Betws-yn-Rhos Community Council
Location: Ty Newydd Cilgwyn Road Llanellian Yn Rhos Colwyn Bay Conwy LL29 8YR
Proposal: Erection of Agricultural Building (Agricultural Prior Approval).

There were no objections to this application.

e. Application No: 0/51026

Application Type: Non-material Amendment

Received Date : 21/08/2023 Registered Date: 22/08/2023

Development Type(s): Household

Ward: Betws Yn Rhos Community Council: Cyngor Cymuned Betws-yn-Rhos
Community Council Location: Ty Newydd Cilgwyn Road Llanellian Yn Rhos Colwyn Bay LL29 8YR

Non material amendment to planning consent 0/49463 (Reconstruction of an existing outbuilding which is structurally unsound to bring the thermal envelope inline with current standards. This will house a larger kitchen, additional home office, utility, garage and a first floor bedroom, bathroom and lounge.) to allow for Altered the ground floor front glazing and provide a rear patio door to the kitchen. Provide a window to the utility and WC to the rear elevations. Provide a chimney on the gable elevation. Provide a store below the rear balcony.

There were no objections to this proposal.

f. Application No: 0/50964 Application Type: Full
Received Date : 27/07/2023 Registered Date: 28/07/2023
Development Type(s): New Development

Ward: Betws Yn Rhos

Community Council: Cyngor Cymuned Betws-yn-Rhos Community Council

Location: Nant Y Cochel Bryn Dansi Road Dolwen Betws Yn Rhos LL22 8NS

New agricultural shed to provide a dual purpose shed to hold a small amount of livestock, machinery and feed.

There were no objections to this application.

g. Reference: 0/51015 Applicant: Mr Rob Hughes

Proposal: Alterations to existing store used in connection with garage, alterations involve raising roof level and design

Location: Bryn Rhos Garage, Ffordd Y Mynydd, Betws Yn Rhos, LL22 8AW.

CCBC's Planning Department have been requested to confirm the roof height conforms to the relevant regulations.

h. Proposal: Construction of agricultural building for animal welfare purposes

Location: Field no 5446, Abergele Road, Betws Yn Rhos, Abergele, Conwy LL22 8AL

This application had been withdrawn.

i. Reference: 0/51025

Applicant: Springtime Lodges Ltd

Proposal: Replacement of existing three holiday lodges and propose additional two lodges (total five holiday lodges) including associated landscaping and car parking

Location: Alpine Lodge, Rhyd Y Foel Road, Rhyd Y Foel, Betws Yn Rhos, LL22 8EA.

There were concerns as to the access to this site with regard to visibility and also sufficient off-road parking spaces. A letter requesting assurances to be sent to CCBC Planning Department.

11. INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL AUDIT MATTERS.

The Internal Audit for the year ended 31st March 2023 had now been forwarded to Audit Wales and the result would be returned in the next few weeks.

12. CONWY COUNTY COUNCIL AND CLLR. IFOR LLOYD MATTERS

- a. The work on setting the annual CCBC budget had begun.
- b. Every school in the area was being inspected as a result of the asbestos issue.

13. MAINTENANCE OF RESOURCES WITHIN THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL AREA.

- a. Road-sign on the corner of Capel Bach Sion – A new sign had now been placed at this location..
- b. The community questionnaire that had been circulated throughout the community via the Schools, Nurseries, websites and noticeboards before the summer holiday had resulted in hardly any responses.
- 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 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. Defibrillators – A survey on local defibrillator locations and use has been carried out and the Community Council has taken over responsibility for all five of these equipment in the community council area. They will now ensure the de-fibs are kept operationally ready with a view to obtaining a further one in the Dawn area.
- f. The benches in the centre of Betws yn Rhos village have now been refurbished.
- g. There is a need to maintain the newly placed flower beds at the entrance to the Betws playing fields.

- h. Further discussions to be made with CCBC regarding the disused toilets in Betws yn Rhos. They are on the CCBC's list of empty and disused buildings. Further discussions to be held with regard to positioning public toilets at another site in Betws yn Rhos.
- i. The roadside trees between Barron Hill and Trofarth had now been pruned.

14. OFF-SHORE WIND FARMS AWEL Y MOR/GWYNT Y MOR/MONA

Information is published every now and then regarding the above windfarm projects and the Council will be keeping contact with them to ensure any issues affecting the local community and any advantages gained are being monitored. Exploration has now begun on the path of the cables from the off shore site onto the proposed sub station at St Asaph Business Park.

See the following links for further information:

[Overview](#)

[About us](#) [About the Project](#) [What the Project will look like](#) [Processes and Next Steps](#)

[Our work so far](#) [Interactions with other marine users](#)

[Information Hub](#) [Visualisations of the windfarm](#) [Interactive map](#)

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

This subject is discussed at every Community Council meeting. Bute Energy have now withdrawn their plans for the Moelfre Energy Park. However, any further plans or applications will be monitored closely. If any further applications are made for similar projects the Community Council will write immediately to the CJC (Combined Joint Council) to obtain further details.

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. A second application for a grant of £60,000 has now been made. No further interest has been shown by anyone to buy and dismantle the current building so it is now being demolished. All future Council meetings will be held at the Sports Pavilion at Bets yn Rhos until the Llanellian re-build has been completed.

18. Y GADLAS

An article to be sent to the Gadlas wishing our colleague Councillor John D Roberts a speedy recovery.

19. ANY OTHER MATTERS

- a. Dr. Owen Williams a native of Betws yn Rhos had been this year's winner of the Urdd Eisteddfod's Crown. It was decided that this should be celebrated with a commemorative plaque for placing in the Sports Pavilion or the Village Hall in Betws yn Rhos..
- b. Complaints had been received regarding the width of the barrier at the end of the public footpath in the centre of Betws yn Rhos village. It seems to be too narrow for wheel chair and push chair users. A letter to be sent to the ERF department of CCBC to see if it can be modified. A response is still being awaited.
- c. A wind turbine planning application had been submitted for a replacement turbine at Pen Y Bryn. Although this comes under the Llangernyw Community Council area it is very close to the border with the Betws yn Rhos and Llanellian yn Rhos Community Council and likely to affect residents in our area. A letter to be sent to the planning authority asking why we had not been informed of this application.
- d. Complaints had been received regarding inappropriate parking at Llanellian Village. Hopefully a local approach would resolve this issue.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.05pm

CHAIRMAN: John EVANS

CLERK: Tom Jones

DATE: 16th October 2023