

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 8th JANUARY 2024

1. **WELCOME** – The Chairman, Councillor John EVANS welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. **PRESENT** –Councillors Gwenda DAVIES; Irwedd GRIFFITHS; Glenna HUMPHREY; Bryn JONES; D Gwyn JONES; Gethin OWEN; Goronwy R. WILLIAMS, Hefin WILLIAMS; and 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 20th November 2023 were read, approved and signed. (Proposed by Coun. Hefin WILLIAM and seconded by Coun. Bryn JONES)

6. MATERS ARISING

There were no matters arising but a short discussion ensued regarding the flooding issue near Llais Afon and the Industrial Units. The area downstream from the bridge has now been cleared which means that the flow under the bridge is better and will self-clean with any future fast flow of water. No further action required at the moment.

7. FINANCE

The monthly Financial Statements were produced for the periods ending 20th November 2023 and 20th December 2023. Members noted the financial situation and the Bank accounts as listed below:-

November 2023:

(1) Community Account = £6,524.89 (Brought Forward)

Money Received = £0.00

Money Paid Out = £5.00 (Bank Charges - DR)

= £405.39 (Clerk's wages – SO)

= £101.40 (HMRC – SO)

= £336.29 (Huws-Gray – Sand/bags-flood defence – 200154)

= £40.74 (BT Monthly WiFi Payment for Sept – OLP)

Not yet presented = £50.00 (RBL – Remembrance Day Wreaths – 200153)

Community Account = £5,636.07 (Carried Forward)

(2) Business Account = £5,614.13 (Brought Forward)

Money Paid Out = £0.00

Money Received = £0.00

Business Account = £5,614.13 (Carried Forward)

Total = £11,250.02 (Carried Forward)

December 2023:

(1) Community Account = £5,636.07 (Brought Forward)

Money Received = £3,000.00 (Precept)

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

= £405.39 (Clerk's wages – SO)

= £101.40 (HMRC – SO)

= £400.00 (The White Lion - Llanelian Elderly Christmas Lunch
– OLP)

= £40.74 (BT Monthly WiFi Payment for Sept – OLP)

Not yet presented = £50.00 (RBL – Remembrance Day Wreaths – 200153)

Community Account = £7,683.14 (Carried Forward)

(2) Business Account = £5,614.13 (Brought Forward)

Money Paid Out = £0.00

Money Received = £0.00

Business Account = £5,614.13 (Carried Forward)

Total = £13,297.27 (Carried Forward)

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:

£40.74 – BT Monthly WiFi invoice

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The Council agreed to pay these Invoices.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

i. Received

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

9. GRANTS

i. Applications to the Community Council.

- a. Application for a grant towards the running of the Calan Mai Eisteddfod. This was agreed and the sum of £300 as shown in the precept application to be paid as and when an invoice is received.

ii. Applications by the Community Council

- a. CVSC are now assisting the Community Council to resource suitable grants for various projects within the community.
- b. Clerk still waiting for the application form for a Gwynt y Mor Grant.

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

- a. Application No: 0/51140

Application Type: Discharge of Conditions Received Date : 05/10/2023 Registered Date: 09/10/2023 Development Type(s): New Development

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

Location: Glan Gors Ffordd Galch Llanellian Yn Rhos Colwyn Bay LL29 6BD

Approval of condition nos 3 (Materials) & 4 (Photographic Survey) of planning approval 0/48997 (Renewal of planning approval 0/43196 (proposed replacement dwelling)0 Still being considered by Planning Dept.

There were no objections to this application.

- b. Application No: 0/51278

Application Type: Full

Received Date : 29/11/2023

Registered Date: 30/11/2023

Development Type(s): Change Land Use

Ward: Betws Yn Rhos

Community Council: Cyngor Cymuned Betws-yn-Rhos Community Council
Nant Isa Farm Nentydd Road Rhyd Y Foel Betws Yn Rhos LL22 8EF
Location:
Change in use of land - glamping site.

Letter to be sent to CCBC Planning Dept. to ask how many units are intended, and expressing concerns regarding access and the possibility of saturation in the area with this type of development.

- c. Reference: 0/51335 Applicant: David Learmont
Proposal: Conversion of the existing garage to create a self enclosed utility, bedroom, and wet-room space in the property for friends and family to stay as noted in the client statement. A small extension will provide a small living room opening out into the existing garden.
There were no objections to this application.
Location: Tan Y Bryn, Tan Y Bryn Bach Road, Dolwen, Betws Yn Rhos, LL22 8NT
- d. Application No: 0/51242 Application Type: Full
Received Date : 14/11/2023 Registered Date: 21/11/2023
Development Type(s): Change Build Use
Ward: Betws Yn Rhos
Community Council: Cyngor Cymuned Betws-yn-Rhos Community Council
Ty Newydd Cilgwyn Road Llanellian Yn Rhos Colwyn Bay LL29 8YR
Location:
Variation of condition no 2 of planning consent 0/49463 (Reconstruction of an existing outbuilding which is structurally unsound to bring the thermal envelope in-line 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 provision of an additional porch and slight adjustment to window locations.
There were no objections to this application.

11. INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL AUDIT MATTERS.

The Annual Audit for the year ended 31st March 2023 has been concluded and all requirements under Section 29 of the Public Audit (Wales) Act 2004 had been followed. As seen under Item 7 there were invoices outstanding from the years 2020-2021, 2021-2022, and 2022-2023. This was as a result of Audit Wales not sending out the required invoices to the Community Council. These will now be paid forthwith.

12. CONWY COUNTY COUNCIL AND CLLR. I FOR LLOYD MATTERS

- a. The current shortfall in the CCBC Budget was discussed and accepted as a result of the current national financial position.
- b. The members commended the work being carried out on the Rhos on Sea to Old Colwyn seafront but were disappointed with the current state of Colwyn Bay Town Centre. Councillor Lloyd would pass on those comments to the County Council.

13. MAINTENANCE OF RESOURCES WITHIN THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL AREA.

- a. Defibrillators –The Clerk will now ensure the de-fibs are kept operationally ready with a view to obtaining a further one in the Dawn area. Enquiries made as to the feasibility of

- buying a telephone kiosk to place the defib in had resulted in a response that only existing sited kiosks were available.
- b. 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. The Community Council were given to understand that a video is being produced to identify the green lanes and footpaths.
 - c. '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.
 - d. There is a need to re-site the flower beds that had been removed from the entrance to the Betws playing fields. Further discussions to take place with the Sports Fields Committee.
 - e. 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 new public toilets at another site in Betws yn Rhos. Clerk had looked into pre-fab type structures and produced some examples. Following some discussion the question was raised if public toilets were needed. Further discussion to take place with a local business as to the possibilities of locating this facility.
 - f. The barrier at the end of the public footpath in the centre of Betws yn Rhos village. The Clerk to send a further request to ERF as the wall at the side of the path has now collapsed.
 - g. Inappropriate parking at Llanellian Village. Clerk to enquire re placing a white line across the nearby drive.
 - h. New Festive Lighting S178 License Process and Requirements. The Clerk to apply for the appropriate licence in the early autumn of 2024.

14. ANNUAL BUDGET / PRECEPT

The annual budget had already been discussed and agreed upon. The budget had now been prepared together with the precept application. The members agreed that this could now be presented to CCBC.

15. ON and OFF-SHORE WIND FARMS AWEL Y MOR/GWYNT Y MOR/MONA

This subject remains on the Agenda and any developments discussed at every Community Council meeting. Any further plans or applications will be monitored closely. 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](#)

16. LLANELIAN YN RHOS COMMUNITY CENTRE

This item remains 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 new building is now progressing well. All future Council meetings will be held at the Sports Pavilion at Betws yn Rhos until the Llanelian re-build has been completed.

17. Y GADLAS

An article has been sent to the Gadlas promoting the activities in The Hub at Betws yn Rhos Sports Pavilion. This entry to be repeated. Also, an article to be submitted reflecting the letter sent to Mr. Bates of Llanelian regarding his involvement in the Post Office scandal currently in the media.

18. ANY OTHER MATTERS

- a. Letter to ERF re mud deposits on the road between Coed Coch and Y Waen.
- b. Letter to ERF re potholes on road near Cefn Isa Farm
- c. A letter to be sent to Dave and Eddie Ty'n Wal regarding their actions in rescuing a motorist stranded in a flood in an electric powered car.
- d. Clerk stated he would be vacating the post at the end of March, beginning of April, but that he would prepare the Full Audit in the meantime so that the new Clerk could submit it easier.
- e. 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..

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.30pm

CHAIRMAN: John EVANS

CLERK: Tom Jones

DATE: 5th February 2024