

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 5th February 2024

1. **WELCOME** – The Chairman, Councillor John EVANS welcomed everyone to the meeting, in particular Mr Melfyn JONES, who was the only applicant for the post of Community Council Clerk. Mr JONES had been invited to the meeting to meet with the Councillors and discuss whether he would consider taking on the post of Clerk to replace Mr Tom JONES who had informed the council that he would be retiring from the post at the end of March 2024.

2. **PRESENT** –Councillors Gwenda DAVIES; Irwedd GRIFFITHS; Bryn JONES; D Gwyn JONES; Gethin OWEN; John D ROBERTS; Goronwy R. WILLIAMS, and County Councillor Ifor G LLOYD.

3. **APOLOGIES** – Councillors Glenna HUMPHREY; Gethin OWEN; Hefin WILLIAMS.

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. Councillor Gwyn D JONES declared an interest in one of the Planning Application. The relevant document was completed to this effect and Councillor JONES removed himself from the discussion at the relevant point.
- b. There were no other declarations of interest voiced.

5. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on the 8th January 2024 were read, approved and signed. (Proposed by Coun. Irwedd GRIFFITHS and seconded by Coun. D Gwyn JONES)

6. MATERS ARISING

There were no matters arising

7. FINANCE

The monthly Financial Statements were produced for the periods ending 20th December 2023 (amended to show the addition of £27.07 Bank Interest on the Business Account). The Financial Statement for the period ending 20th January 2024 were also produced. Members noted the financial situation and the Bank accounts as listed below:-

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)
<u>Community Account</u>	<u>= £7,683.14 (Carried Forward)</u>
(2) Business Account	= £5,614.13 (Brought Forward)
Money Paid Out	= £0.00
Money Received	= £0.00 (£27.07)
<u>Business Account</u>	<u>= £5,614.13 (£5,641.20) (Carried Forward)</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>= £13,297.27 (£13,324.34) (Carried Forward)</u>

January 2024:

(1) Community Account	= £7,683.14 (Brought Forward)
Money Received	= £0.00
Money Paid Out	= £5.00 (Bank Charges - DR)
	= £405.39 (Clerk's wages – SO)
	= £101.40 (HMRC – SO)
	= £40.00 (Information Commissioner - GDPR – 200155)
	= £40.74 (BT Monthly WiFi Payment for Sept – OLP)
	= £152.00 (Payment towards the Betws yn Rhos Hub – OLP)
	= £450.00 (Audit Wales Invoice – Annual Audit – OLP)
	= £55.80 (Aston Hughes – Payroll Services – OLP)
Not yet presented	= None

<u>Community Account</u>	= £6,432.81 (Carried Forward)
(2) Business Account	= £5,641.20 (Brought Forward)
Money Paid Out	= £0.00
Money Received	= £0.00
<u>Business Account</u>	= £5,641.20 (Carried Forward)
<u>Total</u>	= £12,074.01 (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

£90.00 – Rent for Betws yn Rhos Pavilion.

£300.00 – Grant towards Eisteddfod Calan Mai

The Council agreed to pay these Invoices.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

i. Received

- Regular emails from One Voice Wales, Public Service Executive etc. with those relevant being forwarded to the councillors, and available from the Clerk.
- Request for grant for Eisteddfod Calan Mai – agreed in 2024-2025 budget for £300.00

ii. Sent

- 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.

- 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

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

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

- 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)
This application had been approved on the 8th January 2024.

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.

This application had been refused on the 23rd January 2024.

c. Application No:0/51409 Application Type: Full

Received Date : 22/01/2024 Registered Date: 25/01/2024

Development Type(s): Household

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

Location: Airlie, Dolwen Road, Betws Yn Rhos LL22 8AT

Carrying out alterations and a porch extension to the single storey element of the existing housing. Alteration include a new tiled roof with solar panels. Providing thermal improvements in the form of external wall insulation with render or timber clad finish. Altering the internal arrangement and external openings. Demolishing the existing conservatory and constructing a pergola.

There were no objections to this application.

d. Application No: 0/51382 Application Type: Full

Received Date : 15/01/2024 Registered Date: 16/01/2024

Development Type(s): Change Land Use

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

Location: Land to the East of Llwyn Elian Llanellian, Colwyn Bay, LL29 8UY

Temporary use of land for the siting of a static caravan comprising of temporary gravel path, timber steps and standing stone / slab for caravan tyres and support legs.

There were no objections to this application as long as re-orientation takes place.

11. INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL AUDIT MATTERS.

The Annual Audit for the year ending 31st March 2024 will be a 'Full Audit' and will therefore require extra work. The current Clerk stated he would work on this over the next month and beyond in order to assist the incoming Clerk with this task.

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

- a. As a result of the recent storms the bridge at Dolwen will need to be closed for inspection and repair work. Other local bridges will be inspected and assessed along with some of the local roads that have begun to collapse in places.

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. The pads on the two defibs in Betws yn Rhos have been replaced as they were nearing their expiry date.

- 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. There have been no further developments with this issue.
- 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. This is still work in progress.
- 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. There has been no response from ERF Department thus far.
- g. Inappropriate parking at Llanellian Village. Clerk to enquire re placing a white line across the nearby drive. The Clerk has still not received a response from the local authority.
- 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 precept application had been forwarded to CCBC but no response as yet.

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 meeting. Any further plans or applications will be monitored closely.

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. It is hoped that the Centre will be available for use sometime May/June 2024. 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

There were no suggestions for a Gadlas article for this month.

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 Ysgol y Plas and Twan farm.
- c. There is a need for a County Councillor to oversee Ysgol Y Plas. Our Councillor Ifor LLOYD can only oversee two schools. Councillor Irwedd GRIFFITHS will make enquiries with the Councillor from an adjoining ward.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.15pm

CHAIRMAN: John EVANS

CLERK: Tom Jones

DATE: 5th February 2024