

**CYNGOR Y GYMUNED
LLANFIHANGEL RHOS-Y-CORN
COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD
AT
GWERNOGLE CHAPEL VESTRY
7TH NOVEMBER 2019
AT 7.30 P.M.**

COUNCILLOR'S PRESENT: - Cllr Arthur Tattersall (Chair); Cllr. Eric Jones; Cllr. Garry Jones; Cllr. Geraint Jones; Cllr. Windsor Richards; and the Clerk.

APOLOGIES: - Cllr. Rocco Sisto; Cllr Dilwyn Daniels; Cllr Paul Wilson and County Cllr. Mansel Charles

The minutes of the meeting held at Abergorlech Church Hall on the 3rd October 2019, were proposed as correct after (adding the date of the meeting of the Urdd Eisteddfod 2021 Llanegwad Ward Appeal Committee, which had been omitted in error) by Cllr. E. Jones; and seconded by Cllr. W. Richards, and duly signed by the chairperson.

It was noted that a Sympathy card should be sent to the family of our past County Councillor Eirwyn Jones, (Pwllcynbyd), The Willows, Llanybydder. He was a councillor for 23 years.

It was also noted that our Councillor Rocco Sisto had had a nasty break to his ankle, and a Get Well Card with good wishes for a speedy recovery from all was sent.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST –A declaration was made by Cllr Eric Jones, as he is the chairman of the Urdd Eisteddfod 2021 Llanegwad ward Appeal Committee, and would not partake in any discussion or vote on the correspondence from the committee.

11/19/892 MATTERS ARISING

- a. **6/15/606/1 Road surface between Bronant and Capel Mair, Nantyffin** – Ongoing.
- b. **11/17/765/2 Maintenance needed at all five cattle grids on the mountain** –Funding will be allocated next financial year to undertake remedial works to the worst of these grids. Council stated that two grids have been cleaned out, Fencing needs urgent attention at Blaenrhydgoch grid from Brechfa towards Llanllwni and also from Brechfa to New Inn. C.C.C. have been out and welded the rusty girder but it is not a good repair, there is a need for a New grid.
- c. **6/18/803/1 Best Kept Village sign at Abergorlech, has a rotten post** – Cllr. E. George has kindly finished cleaning and painting the sign and it is now ready to be put back on a new post. Clerk to forward this query to Jessica Morgan at NRW.
- d. **7/18/809/16 Labyrinth refurbishment at Llanfihangel Rhos y Corn Church** – The council agreed to supply a bench for visitors to enjoy the tranquil labyrinth, prices obtained, the bench will be ordered.
- e. **9/18/818/6 Brynmarlais track needs attention** –The track which leads to Brynmarlais, Brechfa is being eroded by water, trees need cutting back as this is a footpath and cycle road, a meeting took place and this request will be passed onto Footpaths, to Alan Warner.
- f. **12/18/836/1 Swing needed for older/taller children at Abergorlech Park** - Abergorlech Play Area doesn't have any swings for the older/taller children, only the cradle type for toddlers. Would it be possible to have an additional swing? The clerk will ask Llansawel Community council if they could help financially. There is £479.32 available.
- g. **12/18/836/5 Speeding traffic on bend near Brynmarlais, Brechfa** - Speeding traffic on the bend near Brynmarlais, Brechfa. Would it be possible to have ARAF/SLOW printed on the road, or Slow children signage, as families/visitors are using this road when they come to stay in the Caravan, and Camp site.

- h. **2/19/848/1 –Dangerous bend Above Keepers Brechfa** - The bend above Keepers, From Gwarallt down to Keepers, it is believed that safety barriers are needed here to keep road users safe, especially with an icy road?
- i. **2/19/848/5– Fence needs repairing, below Pistyllgwyn, Abergorlech** - Fence is hanging out to the road below Pistyllgwyn entrance as you go down the hill, the posts have rotted away and the fence is hanging out and is a hazard and needs to be taken away or repaired to avoid damage to vehicles, vans, lorries, buses etc. If it catches onto a side mirror it could bring much more fence into the road and cause damage. A notice has been sent by C.C.C. to the landowner.
- j. **3/19/854/6 Eisteddfod yr Urdd 2021** – Various fundraisers being organised Whist Drive Cwrt Henri, Concert at Abergorlech, Singing Festival at Nantgaredig, Next meeting 7-1-19, at Capel Spite Llanfynydd, everyone welcome.
- k. **4/19/860/1 Dangerous Wall at Greenhill, Gwernogle** - Concerns were raised that the Wall at Greenhill is leaning out to the road and looks seriously unsafe, with major cracks in it. Extremely Urgent!!
- l. **4/19/860/3 Abergorlech Toilets roof problem** - The four corners of the roof of the toilets at Abergorlech need repairing it seems that the eaves have rotted away and the corners have sunk in. Clerk to send photos to Rhys Davies.
- m. **4/19/860/4 Extension pole needed on gate at Cattle grid near Hafod** -The cattle grid near Hafod (known as “yet Garreglwyd”) needs an extra pole attached to the gate so that horse riders can open and close the gate off the horses back, without having to get off the horse.
- n. **5/19/866/2 Trees leaning out to the road** - Complaints have been received that trees are hanging out to the road near Pistyllgwyn, Abergorlech. Small branches have been cut back but there is a need for more to be cut to allow clear vision of the road
- 1. **7/19/875/2 New LED Bulbs for Street lights** - C.C.C. Town and Community lighting project. They want to change the seven lights from low pressure sodium bulbs to LED bulbs at a cost of £139 each x 7 = £973.00 estimated cost. It was agreed to do this in one job to avoid extra charges.
- o. **7/19/875/3 Code of Conduct training** - Pack to be circulated to each councillor in turn. The code of conduct pack was discussed and formally accepted by the council and recorded in the minutes as requested.
- p. **9/19/881/1 Payphone Adoption** - C.C.C. Public Payphone removals by BT inviting the community council to adopt the Red kiosks, one at Brechfa, one at Nantyffin and one at Lliadiad Nennog, the council agreed to adopt these three.
- q. **9/19/884/1 Trees need cutting back from Gwernogle to the Main road B4310** - The Trees from Gwernogle village out to the main road B4310 need cutting back to ensure the safety of road users. The trees are overhanging the road, damaging vehicles and impairing the view of road. Can C.C.C. send notices out to land owners to request that they cut their hedges/trees back please.
- r. **9/19/884/2 The road leading up to Cnwc y Llwyn to Gilfach Meredith needs repairing urgently.** The husband is unwell and if an ambulance was needed it would not be able to get up the road. The track has deteriorated dramatically, can C.C.C. inspect this road and make arrangements to repair it as soon as possible.
- s. **9/19/885/3 The road from Brechfa to Llanllawddog needs to have the hedges cut back, and also from Felin Marlais past Pencaedu and out to the junction to the same road.** The Landowners should be contacted and asked to cut their hedges/trees back to ensure road user safety.
- t. **10/19/890/2 Tree at Abergorlech Park entrance needs cutting down** – Tree needs to be cut down near the Gorlech River bridge at Abergorlech, the tree is large and is on the Llansawel side needs cutting down as it is obstructing the view of the road on the Brechfa side when vehicles are exiting Burma road. Clerk to contact NRW Jessica Morgan.
- u. **10/19/890/3 Refuse not being picked up on the correct day at Brechfa-** C.C.C have agreed to try and improve this.

- v. **10/19/887/8 Standing Order and Financial Regulations** - Update the Standing Order and Financial Regulations. Clerk to get these two documents and the council can then discuss and adopt these documents.

11/19/893 CORRESPONDENCE

1. Two posters from the NHS, advertising "Get your flu vaccine".
2. Clerks and Councils Direct Magazine
3. Age Cymru Sir Gâr, asking for financial assistance to ensure that they have all the benefits available and arrange care packages.
4. C.C.C. Chair of the council Kevin Madge is raising money for the Chair's Appeal 2019/20. Money raised will go to the three foodbanks in Camarthenshire. It was decided to decline on this occasion.
5. Christmas Appeal raising money and asking for unwrapped toys, to be given to families who wouldn't otherwise have presents. It was decided to decline on this occasion.
6. Email from Louise Lewis, PCSO may be unable to attend but will try to come, any problems please let her know.
7. Invoice from Egwad Davies for £400 for trimming the beech tree at Maesygroes.
8. Letter received, expressing concern regarding Dog Faeces left by the Dog owners in Victoria Park, very concerned that the NO DOGS signage had been removed and that children are now at risk of falling/walking in the dog mess, which can be extremely serious, the worst cases can cause blindness in children. The council agreed whole heartedly, and sent an email to the Park Committee, Llanegwad Community Council, Carmarthenshire County Council and County Councillor Mansel Charles.
9. Email with complaints regarding the leaves on the road leading down to Forest Mill, extremely slippery for vehicles and also there is water crossing the road from the Gwernogle junction across the B4310. These will be passed to C.C.C.
10. Email from Cty Cllr Mansel Charles, from Llyr Huws, S4C, looking for welsh speaking residents who lived with evacuees in the second World War.
11. Letter from Eisteddfod yr Urdd Sir Gâr 2021, the local committee covering Llanegwad ward have a target of £9,000. Asking for financial assistance. It was decided to donate £300 to this worthy cause. Cllr E. Jones declared an interest as he was the Chairman of the committee and he did not partake in the discussion or vote on this item.
12. Email from Rhys Davies C.C.C. Re: Abergorlech toilets, rotten roof timber corners stating that the investigation is still in progress.
13. Christmas menu's received from the Black Lion Pub Abergorlech and the Forest Arms Brechfa, it was discussed and it was decided to go to the Forest Arms Brechfa.
14. BT Adopt a kiosk, for Lliadiad Nennog, Brechfa and Nantyffin. The community council have decided to adopt all of the Red Kiosks that are in the Parish.

11/19/894 PLANNING – No planning matters.

11/19/895 FINANCE –

These items were passed for payment:

1. Mrs Lynda Davies £690.00
2. Abergorlech Eisteddfod £100.00
3. Urdd Eisteddfod Appeal Fund Llanegwad £300.00
4. Egwad Davies Tree Services £400.00

Current Account- £17,299.02

Deposit Account - £2003.45

Deposit Account 2 - £306.56

11/19/896 ANY OTHER BUSINESS –

1. Complaints were received from the public that the toilets at Abergorlech were dirty, that people were going to use the Black Lion Pub toilets instead. Clerk to notify C.C.C.
2. Concerns were raised regarding the trees opposite New Quay Angling lay by, one tree fell across the road blocking the B4310, luckily no-one was hurt, these trees need cutting down before someone gets hurt. Clerk to let NRW and C.C.C.
3. Complaints were received that a Dog Faeces bin has been put up at the Chapel in Gwernogle without any consultation, the members of the chapel were disappointed and would like to have it removed please. Clerk to notify C.C.C.
4. Concerns were raised that the road from Tirlan Farm entrance to the Brechfa to New Inn road needs to have new tarmac laid, C.C.C. have filled in the potholes over the years but now it is in a bad state. Clerk to notify C.C.C.
5. The council was informed that a manhole is blocked and needs cleaning out opposite Erw Wen Brechfa, the water is coming out of the manhole, Next to Meillionen, opposite Ballacrane (old Police house. Can C.C.C. arrange to have this manhole cleaned out please?
6. The post opposite Tirlan Farm has been damaged and is bent, the post holds the Cattle Grid Sign. Can C.C.C. either bend it back to its upright position or replace the post?
7. A tree is leaning across the road near Llety'r Aderyn, Gwernogle, it needs to be cut as it is being kept upright by the trees opposite at the moment, but it could cause problems to any high sided vehicle. Clerk to notify C.C.C.

11/19/897 DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next monthly meeting will be on Thursday 5th December 2019 at Brechfa Church Hall at 7.30pm.

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 9.00pm.