

**CYNGOR Y GYMUNED
LLANFIHANGEL RHOS-Y-CORN
COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD
AT
GWERNOGLE CHAPEL VESTRY
6th FEBRUARY 2020
AT 7.30 P.M.**

COUNCILLOR'S PRESENT: - Cllr. Arthur Tattersall (Chair); Cllr. Dilwyn Daniels Cllr. Eric Jones; Cllr. Windsor Richards; Cllr. Rocco Sisto; County Cllr. Mansel Charles and the Clerk.

APOLOGIES: - Cllr. Garry Jones; Cllr Geraint Jones and Cllr. Paul Wilson.

The minutes of the meeting held at Abergorlech Church Hall on the 2nd January 2020, were proposed as correct by Cllr. E. Jones; and seconded by Cllr. R. Sisto, and duly signed by the chairperson.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST – No declarations made.

2/20/07 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** – Fencing needs urgent attention at Blaenrhydgoch grid from Brechfa towards Llanllwni and also from Brechfa to New Inn.
- c. **6/18/803/1 Best Kept Village sign at Abergorlech, has a rotten post** – The sign is now ready to be put back on a new post. Jessica Morgan at NRW to contact Mr Eirian George.
- 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. Re-apply for grant from Antur Teifi, Brechfa Wind Farm fund.
- 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. The top of the path is the worst part.
- f. **12/18/836/1 Swing needed for older/taller children at Abergorlech Park** – Ongoing
- g. **2/19/848/1 –Dangerous bend Above Keepers Brechfa, needs safety barriers** – Ongoing
- h. **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!! Clerk has asked C.C.C. what are they doing about it?
- i. **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. Rhys Davies confirmed that the investigation is still in progress and will get back to us as soon as he gets funding.
- j. **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. Clerk to contact Keith Jones to do this work, once the council get permission from C.C.C. to attach this extension to their gate.
- k. **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.
- l. **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 Llidiaid Nennog, the council agreed to adopt these three.

- m. **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.
- n. **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 has contacted NRW Jessica Morgan.
- o. **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.
- p. **11/19/893/9 Leaves need cleaning from the bend above Forest Mill, Brechfa and water crossing the road near Gwernogle Junction** – The leaves have built up on the road leading down to Forest Mill making it extremely slippery from the Abergorlech side, these need to be cleaned up. There is water crossing the road from the Gwernogle junction across the B4310 which when frozen can be hazardous.
- q. **11/19/896/2 Trees need to be assessed opposite New Quay Angling lay by** - The trees opposite New Quay Angling lay by near Abergorlech, one tree fell across the road blocking the B4310, luckily no-one was hurt, these trees need cutting down before they cause an accident. Clerk to contact NRW and C.C.C.
- r. **11/19/896/5 Blocked Manhole opposite Erw Wen Brechfa.** - A manhole is blocked and needs cleaning out opposite Erw Wen Brechfa, the water is coming out of the manhole, Next to Meillionnen, opposite Ballacrane (old Police house). C.C.C. asked to clean this manhole out.
- s. **11/19/896/6 Damaged cattle grid sign post near Tirlan farm** - The post opposite Tirlan Farm entrance 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?
- t. **12/19/902/01 Blocked drain near Pantrhug** - The drain near Pantrhug, New Inn road, Brechfa is blocked. This drain needs to be cleaned out, also a tree has come down and pulled the phone cable down, although the phones are now back working there is still cable on the ground and the tree has been pushed to the side of the road.
- u. **12/19/902/02 Blocked drain under Forest, Brechfa** - A drain is blocked under Forest, Brechfa, (past the junction which goes down to Felin Marlais) at the next corner before the bridge. This drain needs to be cleaned out.
- v. **1/20/05/01 Water on the road near Nantllwyd, Gwernogle** – Water is running across the road near Nantllwyd, Gwernogle which needs to be re-diverted to the ditches or drains.
- w. **1/20/05/02 Road in bad repair leading to Gilfach Lan Meredith** – This road is in a rough state of repair, the postmen are complaining that they are damaging their vehicles when delivering the post, they may have to STOP deliveries as the road is so rough.

2/20/08 CORRESPONDENCE

1. A letter was received from an electorate concerning council business procedure. The concerns were discussed in detail and responded to by letter.
2. Play for Wales magazine.
3. Cancer information and support Services, asking for financial assistance, it was decided to decline on this occasion.
4. Gwyl y Banc Awst Llanbedr Pont Steffan, Dorian Jones secretary, asking for financial assistance towards the running costs of the Eisteddfod. It was decided to donate £50 to this worthy cause.
5. Mayor of Carmarthen inviting the chair to join in with the St David's parade on 29-2-20 at St Peters Church by 10-45am.
6. Clerk and Councils Direct Magazine.
7. C.C.C. revised local development 2018-2033. The consultation on the deposit revised LDP, between 29th January and 13th March 2020. Drop in sessions throughout the county.

8. Letter received from an electorate concerned that the bin near the bus shelter needs to be moved further away, as it has stickers on it encouraging dog owners to deposit their dog faeces in the bin. Concerns were raised that it's current location is too close to the children and residents who wait at the bus stop. Clerk to ask C.C.C. to re-locate the bin.
9. Glasdon Booklet – bins, benches etc.
10. Wales Air Ambulance Charity at present they can currently only run a 12hour per day for 7 days per week, but they are hoping to run a 24hour per day in the future. Asking for financial assistance. It was decided to donate £200 to this worthy cause.
11. Notice from Wales Audit office stating that a third of Town and Community Councils year end accounts are not sent in on time. Llanfihangel Rhos y Corn's accounts were sent in by the due date.
12. Defibrillators training, who should the community council choose to do the training? County Cllr. Mansel Charles has found a list of names from his contacts that could do the training. A short list was made and the clerk was to contact to arrange a date.
13. Louise Lewis and colleagues have been out to monitor the speed at which vehicles are travelling through Abergorlech on two occasions and the fastest car was 31mph.
14. Wales Audit Office asking for views on proposed audit arrangements.
15. Carmarthen Journal-Rob Harries, left a message asking for someone from the community council to meet with him on Friday the 3rd of February at Gwernogle, to discuss the fact that there is no shop, GP Surgery or school in the village. It was decided that Cllr Eric Jones would contact Mr Harries on his mobile number.
16. Letter from Bethan Griffiths, secretary for the Llanegwad Fundraising Appeal Urdd 2021, the cheque that was given by the council in November was not made out to the correct bank account details, it needed to be changed to read: Urdd Gobaith Cymru Eisteddfod Sir Gaerfyrddin 2021, as the payee. It was decided to cancel the first cheque No: 1000 dated 7-11-19 and issue a new cheque No: 1004. It was also decided that a part of the money given should be allocated to one competition which was "Unawd Cerdd Dant Blwyddyn 7,8 a 9".

2/20/09 PLANNING – no planning matters

2/20/10 FINANCE –

These items were passed for payment:

1. Urdd Gobaith Cymru Eisteddfod Sir Gar 2021 (replacement cheque)£300
2. Wales Air Ambulance £200.00
3. Eisteddfod Rhys Thomas James £50.00
4. Mrs Lynda Davies (Re-imburement for postage stamps) £31.44

Current Account £15984.02

Deposit Account - £2005.14

Deposit Account 2 - £306.81

2/20/11 ANY OTHER BUSINESS –

1. Complaints received regarding the bin that is near the Brechfa Bus Stop, it has stickers attached to it to encourage dog owners to deposit any dog faeces bags. Clerk to ask C.C.C. if his bin could be moved further away from the bus stop
2. The council was informed that the uneven tarmac surface on the bridge at Gwernogle is causing ponding of the rainwater, the water seems to be running down the road and staying on the bridge, possibly the drains above the village may be blocked. The tarmac needs to be re-layed evenly to get rid of the ponding.
3. The council was notified that there is rubbish being fly tipped below the road into the Forestry land of Till hill, the road from Tirlan down to the village of Gwernogle. Clerk to contact Till Hill.
4. The council was asked for a rubbish bin to be placed outside the hall at Abergorlech.
5. It was brought to the attention of the council that the road from Bronant bungalows up to Capel Mair entrance has large potholes in it and also the road has cracked and deteriorated, can these be filled in please.

6. Concerns were raised as to when the LED Bulbs are being replaced by C.C.C., the community council have agreed to pay for this upgrade but no date was given.
7. Complaints were received regarding water on the road near Pencaedu, Brechfa, the ditches need cleaning out so that the water stays off the road

2/20/12 DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next monthly meeting will be on Thursday 5th March 2020 at Brechfa Church Hall at 7.30pm.

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 9.40p.m.