

CYNGOR CYMUNED LLAN LLŶR/LLANYRE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

A meeting of Cyngor Cymuned Llan Llŷr/Llanyre Community Council was held at Newbridge-on-Wye Community Centre on Tuesday, 27th February, 2018.

Present:- Councillor G. Rees (Chairman);
Councillors Mrs. T. Field, S. Jones, H. Lewis, S. Powell,
J. Postings, L. Smith and M. Watkins.

In the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, Mr. S. Powell was appointed Chairman for the meeting.

104/17 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Mr. M. Davies.

105/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mr. G. Rees declared an interest in item 112/17 and left the meeting whilst the item was discussed.

106/17 MINUTES

The Chairman was authorised to sign as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 23rd January, 2018 and of the extra ordinary meeting held on 31st January, 2018.

107/17 MATTERS ARISING

(a) Public Toilets, Llanyre (Ref. Min. 91/17(a))

Electricity – 44549 Water – 633. Nothing further to report.

(b) Public Toilets, Newbridge-on-Wye (Ref. Min. 91 /17(b))

It was reported that one of the toilet seats was in need of replacement. Mr. S. Jones was authorised to purchase a new seat and organise its replacement. It was also felt that the toilets would benefit from re-decorating before the summer. It was agreed that Mr. S. Jones be authorised to purchase the paint and inform Members when he was in a position to start to enable them to assist.

(c) Newbridge-on-Wye Recycling Site (Ref. Min. 91/17(c))

Nothing further to report.

(d) Llanyre Recreation Field:

Recreation Field (Ref. Min. 91/17(d)(i)) – the ditch has been cleaned out under the bridge but the gutter above it is need of clearing. Llanyre Members agreed to visit and investigate.

Play Area (Ref. Min. 91/17(d)(ii)) – the tree was yet to be felled. The moles are making a mess and Members agreed to look further into the matter in an attempt to eradicate.

Pritchard Recreation Ground (Ref. Min. 91/17(d)(iii)) - the Clerk confirmed that she had e-mailed the Local Member regarding the water but no response had been received to date.

(e) **Newbridge-on-Wye Playing Field (Ref. Min. 97/17(e))**

The mole problem causing concern again and will need attention in the very near future.

(f) **Vacancy (Ref. Min. 91/17(f))**

Members were pleased to receive a letter of interest from Mrs. P. Stevenson for the vacancy in the Llanyre Ward, which was unanimously accepted.

Councillor G. Rees arrived at 7.25 p.m. and took the Chair.

(g) **Llanyre Church Hall (Ref. Min. 91/17(j))**

Confirmation was received from the Secretary that the Parochial Church Council had met in January when the proposal to repair the Church Hall had been approved.

108/17 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There were none.

109/17 INVOICES FOR PAYMENT

The monthly balance of income and expenditure together with invoices for payment was received and approved.

Balances in hand as at 20.02.18:-		Ring Fenced balances:	
Current Account	£ 7834.45	Recycling	
Savings Account	£ 2199.38	Llanyre	£335.61
	<u>£10033.83</u>	Newbridge-on-Wye	<u>£349.29</u>
			<u>£684.90</u>
		Llanyre Church Hall donation	£2000.00
Available Funds:-	<u>£7348.93</u>		

The Chairman reported receipt of a cheque in the sum of £437.23 being the balance of funds remaining from the Community Project. Unfortunately, this Project had now been closed as the Committee had resigned and no one had come forward to continue.

110/17 CORRESPONDENCE

(a) **Teenage Cancer Trust** – a request for financial assistance was received. The Clerk reported that a donation of £50 had been granted in this financial year. It was, therefore, agreed to defer a decision on the request to the next ordinary meeting.

(b) **Llanyre Church** – a letter of thanks for the donation from the Recycling Funds was received.

(c) **One Voice Wales** – an invitation to renew membership in the sum of £174 was received. It was agreed to renew.

111/17 ONE VOICE WALES AREA MEETING

Mr. M. Watkins reported on his attendance at the meeting on 2nd February, 2018 which was chaired by Brian Reardon from Builth Wells Town Council.

Lyn Cadwallader, Chief Executive was Minute Secretary following the recent retirement of Dr. Del. Morgan

For the second meeting, the Dyfed Powys Police Crime Commissioner failed to attend, this time without any explanation or apology. This was in sharp contrast to the previous commissioner's practice.

There was a lengthy debate on Local Government Re-organisation. i.e. Who will do what? Will a Town Council area become the centre of, or for, a cluster of rural Community Councils? Who will provide resources? In future Community Councillors may/will have extra responsibilities – will they be paid?

The Chief Executive advised that if the County Council offer facilities on, say, a 25 year lease then Community/Town Councils should ask for the freehold of the property for a peppercorn as these facilities were paid for by tax payers.

112/17 UP-DATE FROM LOCAL MEMBER

Llanyre Show – 4th August, 2018
Hedges have been cut
The moles will be dealt with in the Spring
No response from Tree Contractor

The Clerk was requested to as the Local Member for an up-date on the replacement of the felt on the bus shelter at Llwynceilyn and to report the condition of the road to Upper Dollwynhir.

113/17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next ordinary meeting of the Council was confirmed as Tuesday, 20th March, 2018

The Members discussed item 114/17 in their capacity as Custodial Trustees

114/17 NEWBRIDGE-ON-WYE COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Clerk reported that she had received a reminder for the renewal of the Licence. It was confirmed that this matter was in hand.

The Chairman reported that he had received a request to meet with representatives of the School Governing Body to discuss the Hall. It was agreed that the Chair, Vice-Chair, Mr. J. Postings and Mr. M. Watkins meet and report back to a future meeting.

Mr. G. Rees declared an interest in this item and left the meeting.

Mr. S. Powell chaired the remainder of the meeting.

115/17 REPLACEMENT CLERK

The Clerk reported receipt of two applications for the position of Clerk/Responsible Finance Officer. Background information, including qualifications, current and previous employment, etc. were shared with Members and following discussion it was agreed that both applicants be invited for interview.

In view of the forecast for inclement weather conditions on 1st March, it was agreed to postpone the interviews to Tuesday, 6th March. Members would meet at 7.00 to discuss the applications in detail and the candidates would be invited at 7.30 p.m. and 8.10 p.m. A list of questions was received and approved.

As the Chairman had a declarable interest, it was agreed that the Vice-Chairman be requested to Chair the proceedings.

There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting.

GERAINT REES (Chairman)