

LLANHARRY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ONLINE ON WEDNESDAY, 9TH
DECEMBER, 2020 AT 7.15 P.M.

PRESENT: COUNCILLORS: I CLARIDGE(CHAIR); P CLARIDGE; E COATES; J DILWORTH; L MANCHIP; W OWEN; H PARSONS; D SNOOK AND G LEWIS (CLERK).

1. ELECTION OF MEMBER TO PRESIDE IN THE ABSENCE OF THE CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

The Chair was present.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Evans – accepted.

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

None.

4. REPRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

No members of the public were present.

5. COMMUNITY POLICING

On Saturday 28th November two youths with face coverings were seen going around the rear of the Community Centre, shortly after a fire broke out which has caused damage to the boiler room, facias and guttering. The incident was reported to the Police by RCTCBC. The Clerk has asked the Manager of Spar to have a look on their CCTV to see if anything shows up on their system.

The Clerk informed members that we have money set aside for partnership working with RCTCBC on upgrading the Community Centre and perhaps consideration should be given to fencing the sides and rear to limit access to the centre.

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6. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

6.1 Payment of Accounts

Resolved: to make payment of all the accounts listed below:

RCTCBC	Trade Waste Collection	41.17
TalkTalk Business	Telephone & broadband	57.54
Wages	December	1131.93
HMRC	December Tax & NI	153.21
Office Rental	December	100.00
Marcon Services	Grounds Maintenance Contracts	1493.99
RCTCBC	Ambulance Hall Rates	139.00
Zoom	ProVideo Conferencing Package	14.39
Jerry Widdas	Play Area Inspections -July to Dec/Repairs	409.70
Swalec	Electricity @ Ambulance Hall	34.57
LDP Services	Newsletter printing & delivery	332.50
Amazon Business	Selection boxes	955.74
P&P Gardens	Cemetery Grounds Maintenance	185.00
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Dwr Cymru Welsh Water	Plans (Laureldene)	9.60
Amberol Limited	Planters	1311.54

6.2 Bank Reconciliation

Resolved: to accept the bank reconciliation for November

6.3 GFNOV2020/BUDNOV2020

Resolved: to accept the GF Sheet/Budget for November.

7. EXAMINATION AND CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 11th November were confirmed.

8. SIGNATURE OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes of the meetings will be signed at a later date.

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9. MATTERS ARISING

9.1 Playing Field/AFC Matters

The most recent play area inspection has highlighted a number of issues:
One corner of the roundabout edging has subsided exposing the concrete foundation and causing one concrete edge to sink slightly:
The metal stairway of the multi-play unit is starting to corrode and get thin in places.

Matches scheduled for this month have been deferred until January due to the rising Covid 19 infection rates.

9.2 Consideration of the Installation of CCTV at the Cemetery

The Clerk was asked to get this project underway again.

9.3 Upgrading of the Ambulance Hall Heaters and Exterior Lighting

Still awaiting a quotation for the Wi-Fi controllers for the heaters.

9.4 Consideration of the Community Centre

Awaiting further information from the Community Centres Manager.

9.5 Repair Of The Boundary Fence Between Laureldene And The M4

Permission was given to arrange for the repair of the fencing. The Clerk was asked to chase South Wales Trunk Road Agency to find out for future reference who is responsible for the upkeep of the fencing.

9.6 Six month review of the Grounds Maintenance Contractors

P & P Gardens – Cemetery Grounds Maintenance

The Clerk confirmed that no reply has been received to correspondence and that Mr Beach had posted on Llanharry Hub that he and his wife had not been paid and had given up the contract! The Clerk confirmed that she had paid P&P Gardens 50% of his monthly fee as instructed.

Members decided to go against the advice of the Clerk and arrange a physical meeting with P&P Gardens, the Chair, Vice Chair, Councillor Owen, Councillor Snook, the Clerk and Mr J Roszkowski, acting as an independent observer, to try and reconcile differences and find a way forward.

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Members gave this group the powers to make a decision without referring back to Full Council due to the need to ensure that the Cemetery is in top condition in the run-up to the Christmas period.

Councillor Evans and Councillor Parsons declined attending the meeting stating that they did not think a physical meeting should be held at the moment as it contravenes Welsh Government, NALC and SLCC guidelines.

10. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF OUTSIDE BODIES AND COMMITTEES

No reports

11. CORRESPONDENCE

Resolved: to note the following correspondence:

One Voice Wales

- Welsh Government - Flooding and TAN 15 update;
- Wales Biodiversity Partnership Conference, Responding to the crisis for nature in Wales;
- Ministerial Advisory Forum on Ageing (MAFA) - Survey regarding strengthening and advancing Equality and Human Rights in Wales;
- Discretionary Expenditure Limit 2021-22;
- WG Elections Newsletter – November;
- Ministerial Advisory Forum on Ageing (MAFA) - Information - Age Matters - The autumn edition from Age Cymru;
- Future Wales: the national plan 2040 - Newsletter Issue 015 - December 2020

Independent Remuneration Panel For Wales – Annual Return;

Remote training sessions that are taking place in December;

Additional Free Places Available On Our Core Modules;

Natural England Countryside Code Review - deadline 15 December.

Important Grant Funding Opportunity For Community And Town Councils - Volunteering Recovery Grant - information to circulate to networks and stakeholders

Planning Aid Wales

Responding to Policy Consultations Online Training;

Planning Aid Wales Training.

RCTCBC

2021/22 Tax Base;

Consultation on proposed amendment to Regulation 123 List;

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Royal British Legion, Llanharan Branch - Email – thanks for the donation to the Poppy Appeal.

Earth Anchors - Foot pedal operated dog waste/litter bins.

Welsh Government - Discretionary Expenditure Limit 2021-22.

Parish of Pontyclun, Talygarn & Llanharry - Xmas online events flyer.

Institute of Welsh Affairs - launch update to Understanding Welsh Places

12. PLANNING

The following was noted:

20/1249/10 at 23 Tylacoch, Llanharry, Pontyclun, CF72 9LR

20/1252/10 at Wild Rose, Tyla Garw, Pontyclun, CF72 9EZ

Members made no comment on any application.

Issues arising from development at The Patch 18/1401/10

Members asked that the Clerk contact RCTCBC Planning Enforcement regarding the continued condition of the roads, which are coated with mud as a result of this development.

13. CONSIDERATION OF USING A QUANTITY SURVEYOR FOR THE CEMETERY GARDEN PROJECT

Resolved: to engage the services of a Quantity Surveyor.

14. CONSIDERATION OF PROJECTS FOR 2021-2022

The Clerk was asked to produce a list of all the projects discussed for consideration at the next meeting.

15. CONSIDERATION OF THE PAYMENT OF GRIFFITH MEMORIALS INVOICE FOR THE REPAIR OF A GRAVE STONE

To be deferred until detailed information is received from Griffith Memorials.

16. CONSIDERATION OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF AN UPPER LIMIT OF £500 FOR FUTURE GRANT AWARDS

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Resolved: that all future grant awards are capped at £500.

17. CONSIDERATION OF RECORDING ALL INCOMING TELEPHONE CALLS

Resolved: to implement this as soon as possible.

18. CONSIDERATION OF THE FORMATION OF A WILDFLOWER MEADOW AT THE CEMETERY

Resolved: to add this item to the lists of projects for consideration at the next meeting.

19. CONSIDERATION OF THE COUNCIL'S SOCIAL MEDIA PRESENCE AND ITS ADMINISTRATION

Resolved: that Councillor Manchip is responsible for the Council's social media.

20. CONSIDERATION OF THE FUTURE PROVISION OF REMOTE ACCESS TO MEETINGS

The Clerk was asked to obtain more information for the next meeting.

Councillor Owen suggested the purchase of laptops/tablets for each Councillor.

Councillor Coates suggested that a "bank" of devices could be provided and could be loaned out as required.

21. CONFIRMATION OF THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

Resolved: the date of the next ordinary meeting is confirmed as Wednesday, 13th January 2021.

The meeting closed at 8.25 p.m.

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