

LLANHARRY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF HYBRID MONTHLY MEETING HELD AT THE AMBULANCE HALL, BIRCHGROVE,
LLANHARRY ON WEDNESDAY, 12TH OCTOBER 2022 COMMENCING AT 7.15 PM

In Attendance at The Hall:

Councillors: J Dilworth (Chair); I Claridge; P Claridge; E Coates; V Davies; L Manchip; D Snook and G Lewis (Clerk).

Via Zoom: Councillors: W Owen; B Stephens

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

The Chair was present.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

All councillors were in attendance.

The Clerk apologised to Councillor I Claridge for omitting his apologies for the last meeting.

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Councillor Coates; Councillor Manchip & Councillor Snook – item 13 – update from the Skatepark Group.

4. REPRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

No members of the public were present.

5. COMMUNITY POLICING

The crime report has not been received

Councillor Manchip reported a very successful and well supported Cuppa with a Copper meeting and that follow up meetings are planned. Some of the issues raised at the meeting were anti-social behaviour at the shops, parking at the schools and speeding throughout the village.

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Councillor Stephens stated he would talk to Trivallis regarding the installation of high frequency devices which are audible to only the young and also about the cctv.

6. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

6.1 Payment of Accounts

Resolved: to confirm the payments below:

RCTCBC	Trade Waste Collection	42.90
Wages	October	1197.24
HMRC	Tax & NI	151.47
Office Rental	October	100.00
Marcon Services	Grounds Maintenance Contracts	1939.99
P&P Gardens	Cemetery Grounds Maintenance	375.00
P&P Gardens	Watering	400.00
Zoom	Pro - Video conferencing	14.39
Scottish Power	Ambulance Hall Electricity	18.10
Southern Electric	CCTV	26.46
3 Business Services	Mobile Telephone	5.00
TalkTalk Business	Telephone & broadband	31.74
RCTCBC	Ambulance Hall Rates	139.00
Onecom	Telephone & broadband	41.10
Laser Fire & Security	Annual charges for Fire Alarm System	336.00
Lee Vowles	Painting/re-painting - Shelters & bench	1275.00
Amazon	Stationery	27.99
Amazon	Stationery	16.86
Dwr Cymru Welsh Water	Water @ Cemetery	17.99
Dwr Cymru Welsh Water	Water @ Fforest Road Allotments	116.53

6.2 Bank Reconciliation

Resolved: to accept the bank reconciliation for September.

6.3 GFSEP2022/BUDSEP2022

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

6.4 Bank Statements

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Original bank statements were available for inspection.

7. EXAMINATION AND CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 14th September 2022 were confirmed.

8. SIGNATURE OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes of the monthly meeting were signed by the Chair.

9. MATTERS ARISING

9.1 Playing Field/AFC Matters

October fixture dates have been received from Llanharry AFC.

9.2 Confirmation of The Transfer of Funds into A CCLA Public Sector Deposit Fund Account

Ongoing.

9.3 Consideration of the sale of land to A F Blakemore

A F Blakemore would like to meet with the Council and are looking at suitable dates.

9.4 Opening an additional bank account

Ongoing.

9.5 Remembrance Sunday

The Clerk reported that to-date she has been unsuccessful in arranging for a humanist celebrant to conduct the service jointly with Rev Rick Gratton. She was asked to continue with her search for one.

9.6 Finance & Governance Toolkit for Community and Town Councils – Working Group

Ongoing.

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9.7 Football Pitch Fencing

Resolved: that self-closing gates are essential for the project.

9.8 Fireworks Event

Resolved: to book for 2023 with Pendragon Fireworks

9.9 Christmas Event

Resolved: to hire reindeer for the event.

It was also decided to hold a site meeting to discuss the location of the cone tree at Ty Isaf on Tuesday, 18th October at noon.

9.10 Provision of a defibrillator at the Ambulance Hall

The Clerk confirmed that she had applied for funding from the Welsh Government for a defibrillator.

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

Councillor Owen reported that NRW are to hold a public consultation about the Forestry at Tylagarw and there is a possibility that they could set land aside at the front for a play area. The date of this consultation is to be confirmed by Councillor Owen.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

Resolved: to note the following correspondence:

Items marked with an * have been forwarded by email to each member.

Play Wales

September e-bulletin

One Voice Wales

IRPW - deadline reminder to Community and Town Councils

Deadline extension 30 September - Ystadau Cymru - Awards 2022

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*Online conference – 27th October – the importance of Community & Town councils in building resilient spaces for nature.

September & October Training Dates

Welsh Government funded Defibrillator applications

Closing Deadline for Applications to Local Places for Nature

Joint One Voice Wales/SLCC Event – Wednesday 9 November 2022

Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Draft Annual Report - February 2023

Independent Monitoring Board, Parc Prison, Bridgend – new Members needed

* Electoral Administration and Reform White Paper

Local Democracy and Boundary Commission

*Updated Community Review Guidance

Planning Aid Wales

Latest news and information

Introduction to Planning Enforcement Online Training 12th October

AF Blakemore – Spar Llanharry

Welsh Government

Important survey for town and community councils and key partners

IRP

*Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Draft Annual Report - February 2023

Understanding Welsh Places - We'd like to ask you to contribute a description of Llanharry in English and Welsh

12. PLANNING

The following was noted:

22/1020/15 Variation of Condition 2- raise the eaves on side elevation by 1.2m and substitute the materials from rendered blockwork to facing brick - Tylacoch Bungalow, Tylacoch, Llanharry, Pontyclun, CF72 9LR

22/1117/10 Garage conversion and single storey side/rear extension4 Meadow Drive, Tyla Garw, Pont-Y-Clun, Pontyclun, CF72 9FR

Members made no comments on the application listed above.

22/1149/10 Construction of aggregates recovery facility - Fforest Wood Quarry, Cowbridge Road, Talygarn, Pont-Y-Clun, Pontyclun, CF72 9XD

22/1226/10 – Change of use for a proposed soil blending operation - Fforest Wood Quarry, Cowbridge Road, Talygarn, Pont-Y-Clun, Pontyclun, CF72 9XD

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Councillor Owen informed members that an Action Group has been set up in Pontyclun to object to these applications which could see traffic movements to and from the quarry of in excess of 80 per day. Members agreed that we should work together with Pontyclun. Councillor Stephens stated that he would make his objections known to RCT Planning.

The use of Strawberry Lane by heavy goods vehicles.

A complaint has been received about heavy goods vehicles using Strawberry Lane, which is signposted as unsuitable for motor vehicles, and the bridge across the M4 – weight limit unknown – to deliver fertilizer to land in Talygarn. Councillor Owen stated that planning enforcement were aware of the issue and Councillor Stephens stated that he would look into this matter.

Councillor Coates, Councillor Manchip & Councillor Snook declared an interest in the following item.

13. UPDATE FROM THE SKATEPARK GROUP

Councillor Manchip stated that one quotation has been obtained to date for the drainage survey and that she hopes to obtain two more.

Councillor Manchip and Councillor Coates stated that they did not feel that the majority of the council were behind this project and asked for feedback. Concerns were stated regarding the costs, which Councillor Manchip informed will be covered by fundraising and will not cost the Council or local residents.

Councillor Stephens asked that due to the current economic climate that the project is suspended; Councillor Manchip reiterated that the project was requested by residents and will be self funded. Councillor Davies stated that residents of the Patch were not in favour of the project due to its proximity to their properties and the likelihood of noise and anti social behaviour.

The general consensus seemed to be that the project should proceed.

14. CONSIDERATION OF QUOTATIONS FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF LITTER BINS IN THE PARK

To be deferred until November.

15. CONSIDERATION OF QUOTATIONS FOR THE RE-PAINTING OF THE AMBULANCE HALL

To be deferred until November.

16. CONSIDERATION OF FURTHER COMPLAINTS REGARDING THE RE-OPENING OF EXISTING GRAVES FOR FURTHER INTERMENTS

Councillor Manchip informed members of a member of the public attending the Cuppa with a Copper meeting to complain about the practice of putting soil on graves when re-opening a grave for a further interment.

Members were also made aware of comments on Facebook claiming criminal damage and shown a copy of a complaint made to RCTCBC. The Police have categorically stated that this is **not** a matter for them but purely a civil matter!

Councillor Davies also distributed photographs supplied by the said member of the public which showed soil on a grave as well as well as tyre tracks purportedly over a grave!

Members discussed this matter at length, understanding how emotive a subject it is but also considering the practicalities, health and safety issues and increased grave digging costs involved.

Finally, it was agreed that the Clerk would consult with the Grave digger regarding using a soil box which could be suspended over an adjacent grave(s). It was agreed that headstone protectors would be purchased and ground sheets or tarpaulins put down to totally cover the grave from mess or damage.

17. CONSIDERATION OF HANDING OVER THE CEMETERY TO RCTCBC

Resolved: that the cemetery should stay under the control of Llanharry Community Council.

18. CONSIDERATION OF A FOOTBALL BENCH FOR THE PARK

Councillor Manchip stated Mrs Eleanor Pring would like to purchase a football themed bench in memory of her late husband Andrew and the late Mr Richard Pring. This was agreed by members.

19. CONSIDERATION OF TRAFFIC CALMING NEAR THE FOX AND HOUNDS

Councillor Manchip asked for "Slow" or "Concealed Entrance" signs after complaints from residents regarding traffic speeds on the corner before the Fox and Hounds pub.

Councillor Stephens said that the road in the area was due to be resurfaced and that he would contact RCT Highways regarding this matter.

20. CONFIRMATION OF THE INTERNAL AUDITOR

Auditing Solutions Ltd were confirmed as the Internal Auditor.

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

Resolved: the date of the next ordinary meeting is confirmed as Wednesday, 9th November 2022.

The meeting closed at 9.00 p.m.

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