

# LLANHARRY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF HYBRID MONTHLY MEETING HELD AT THE AMBULANCE HALL, BIRCHGROVE,  
LLANHARRY ON WEDNESDAY, 11<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2023 COMMENCING AT 7.15 PM

In Attendance at The Hall:

Councillors: L Manchip (Chair); P Beach; V Davies; J Dilworth; L Rosser; 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 Coates; Councillor Owen & Councillor Stephens.

## 3. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Councillor Manchip & Councillor Snook – item 14.

The clerk – item 15.

## 4. REPRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Two members of the public were in attendance and informed the meeting of their objections and concerns regarding the planning application for a skate park.

They also asked whether planning applications could be reported via the council's Facebook page.

## 5. COMMUNITY POLICING

At the meeting held at the Community Centre with the Police, representatives of the Community Centre Management Committee and councillors the problem of anti-social behaviour and the use and distribution of drugs was discussed at length. Measures discussed included:

Reporting of all incidences to the Police via our PCSO, 101 or 999 if necessary;

The installation of motion activated lighting or floodlighting;

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Cutting back of the undergrowth;  
 Removal/re-location of the storage container;  
 Fencing of the area/car park barrier;  
 Removal of the teen shelter  
 Installation of a litter bin.

Members agreed that initially a bin should be provided and that lighting of the area should be improved. Consideration was also given to the installation of a floodlight to cover the car park area. It was agreed that Llanharry AFC should be approached regarding the storage container.

Members also asked whether the Police could provide a community safety officer who could advise on improving matters in the location.

## 6. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

### 6.1 Payment of Accounts

**Resolved:** to confirm the payments below:

RCTCBC	Trade Waste Collection	90.13
Wages	Oct	1287.83
HMRC	Tax & NI	201.37
Office Rental	Oct	100.00
Marcon Services	Grounds Maintenance Contracts	2729.99
Zoom	Pro - Video conferencing	15.59
Scottish Power	Ambulance Hall Electricity	14.55
Southern Electric	CCTV	24.21
3 Business Services	Mobile Telephone	5.00
TalkTalk Business	Telephone & broadband	26.34
Onecom	Telephone & broadband	57.88
RCTCBC	Ambulance Hall Rates	119.00
P&P Gardens	Watering	350.00
Amazon	Card/diary	26.65
SLCC	Membership	187.00
G Lewis	Repayment for photo frames	10.36
Pendragon Fireworks	Firework Display	8400.00
Marcon Services	Line Marking M/c S137 Grant	999.60
Amazon	Gel Keyboard Wrist Rest	16.96
Amazon	Gel Mouse Wrist Rest	14.99
Amazon - Kayz BC	Portable HDD	44.99
Post Office Counters Ltd	1st Class large letter	1.95

Screwfix	Barrier Tape	10.39
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6.2 Bank Reconciliation

**Resolved:** to accept the bank reconciliation for September.

6.3 GFSEPT2023/BUDSEPT2023

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

7. EXAMINATION AND CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes of the Audit & Finance Meeting and the Monthly Meeting of 19<sup>th</sup> September and Site Meeting of 26<sup>th</sup> September were confirmed for accuracy.

8. SIGNATURE OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes of the meetings were signed by the Chair.

9. MATTERS ARISING

9.1 Playing Field/AFC Matters

Members confirmed receipt of the October Inspection report which was emailed to members.

9.2 Code of Conduct Training

The Clerk to chase up the code of conduct training with the RCTCBC Director of Legal Services.

9.3 Removal/Relocation of the Teen Shelter

To hold this matter in abeyance at the moment.

9.4 Changes to the Pedestrian Gate Near the Muga

The Clerk suggests that due to cost involved that this is considered as a project for the coming year.

## 9.5 Consideration of Fencing the Gap to the Side of the Bus Shelter

The Clerk has asked for this to be considered by RCTCBC as it is a matter of health and safety but they have responded that no funding is available for this at the present time.

Members asked that the Clerk email the Director of Highways and point out that should an accident occur because of this that the responsibility would lie solely with Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council.

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

The Clerk informed members of a meeting of the Allotment & Recreation Ground Charity, Ystradowen which was held on Tuesday 10th October when the trustees decided to close the charity (subject to the approval of the Charity Commission) and distribute the funds equally to organisations in Ystradowen, Llansannor, Llanharry and Llanblethian best placed to distribute funds to suitable groups/organisations within their areas.

## 11. CORRESPONDENCE

**Resolved:** to note the following correspondence:

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

**Louise Prosser – Afon Dance** – Thank you for the grant.

**Tony Evans** – request for Pansies at Laureldene – **agreed to the value of £50.**

### **One Voice Wales**

Training dates

Cancelled Conference and AGM Saturday 30th September

Consultation: Scrutiny of the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2024-25

Local Places for Nature - Funding update

One Voice Wales & D-Day 80 - 6th June 2024

Apply now for a FREE Community Orchard Package

**\*HELEDD FYCHAN MS** - Cost of Living Crises Network Meeting on Friday 20th October at the Pop Factory in Porth, between 10am -12pm.

**Electrical Safety First** - Electrical Safety Fund Opening – 2023

**Chris Roberts – Boverton Nurseries** – Jap Knotweed treatment, etc.

**ICCM** – The Journal, Autumn 2023.

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**Planning Aid Wales**

Responding to Planning Applications - Part 1

Planning Policy for Beginners

**RCTCBC**

Vivup Employee assistance programme

\*Community Review commencement update

\*Review Of Polling Districts, Polling Places And Polling Stations 2023

12. PLANNING

**The following was noted:**

23/1068/10 - Construction of skate park for all skate disciplines -Skateboards, BMX, WCMX, Scooters etc, with associated landscaping and drainage works - Llanharry Park, Llanharry Road, Llanharry, Pontyclun

23/1060/10 – Single storey side extension - Brynteg The Meadow, Llanharan Road, Llanharry, Pontyclun, CF72 9LZ

Update on Planning Application 22/1149/10 - Forest Wood Quarry.

13. CONSIDERATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE AUDIT & FINANCE COMMITTEE

**Resolved:** to approve the recommendations of the meeting held earlier.

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

14. UPDATE FROM THE SKATEPARK GROUP

No update is available.

**The Clerk declared an interest in the following item and left the meeting.**

15. CONSIDERATION OF QUOTATIONS FOR THE INSTALLATION OF AN ADDITIONAL WATER TAP AT THE CEMETERY

Only one quotation was received from MGC

**Resolved:** to accept the price received from MGC.

16. CONSIDERATION OF COMPLAINTS REGARDING THE MAINTENANCE OF THE CEMETERY

The Clerk stated that Councillor Stephens asked for this item to be put on the agenda and had briefly outlined a complaint from a resident regarding emptying of the bins and general untidiness in the cemetery.

Members stated that they were aware of a problem with RCT Trade Waste collecting the waste from the cemetery but that this appeared to now be resolved. They also stated that the condition of the cemetery was found to be satisfactory on a site visit on 26<sup>th</sup> September.

17. CONSIDERATION OF REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

The Chair confirmed that the Rev Rick Gratton will carry out the service of Remembrance on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November at the War Memorial.

18. CONFIRMATION OF MEETING DATES FOR 2024

Resolved: to approve the meeting dates.

19. CONSIDERATION OF FIREWORK EVENT

The Clerk informed members that everything appeared to be in place for the event after receiving approval from RCTCBC.

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

**Resolved:** the date of the next ordinary meeting is confirmed as Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

The meeting closed at 8.55 p.m.