

# LLANCARFAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANCARFAN



### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LLANCARFAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD VIA VIDEO CONFERENCING ON ZOOM AT 7.30PM 17<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2020

<b>PRESENT</b>	Councillors: Cllr K Kemp, Cllr T Thomas, Cllr A Rees, Cllr J Lott, Cllr M Hughes Cllr J Scott-Quelch, Cllr J Angell, Cllr P Bear and Cllr M Thomas.
<b>Visitors</b>	Cllr G Kemp Mr T Bluff-Higgins
<b>Apologies</b>	-
<b>In attendance</b>	Mrs J Western – Clerk

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- 1712/397 To Receive Apologies for Absence**  
There were none.
- 1712/398 To discuss and vote on the casual vacancy.**  
There was one application received for the position of casual vacancy and the application was circulated to Councillors with meeting papers prior to the meeting. It was **RESOLVED** to invite Mr T Bluff-Higgins to be a co-opted member of the LCC. All in favour.  
Mr T Bluff-Higgins joined the meeting and was welcomed by all.
- 1712/399 To receive any declarations of interest**  
Cllr T Thomas declared an interest in item 1712/403 - To receive an update of the noise reported from Pancross Farm. Cllr T Thomas also gave his apologies for not declaring an interest during the November meeting for the same item.
- 1712/400 To approve the minutes of the previous Council meeting of 19<sup>th</sup> November 2020**  
The minutes of meeting of 19<sup>th</sup> November 2020 were **Approved** – Proposed by Cllr J Lott and seconded by Cllr T Thomas.
- 1712/401 To discuss any matters arising from the minutes that are not agenda items.**  
There were none.

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**1712/402**      **To discuss the adoption of Llantrithyd Telephone Box.**  
The Llantrithyd Residence Association has decided not to proceed with the adoption of the BT telephone box. The defibrillator has now been installed in an appropriate place with electricity supply. Three signs have been placed around the village informing residents of its placement.  
**ACTION** – Clerk to put a notice in the Council notice board regarding the location of the defibrillator in Llantrithyd and Cllr A Rees will inform BT of the decision.  
As the item has now been **RESOLVED**, it will now be removed from the agenda.

**1712/403**      **To receive an update of the noise reported from Pancross Farm.**  
This item was moved to the end of the meeting due to a declaration of interest made by Cllr T Thomas. Cllr T Thomas was not present for this item.  
The clerk has received a complaint about the noise coming from Pancross Farm from a resident who would like to remain anonymous. This resident lives in a different location from where other previous complaints have emanated.  
**ACTION** – Clerk to check with complainant if their details can be passed to the Chair for further information and, if agreed, the Chair to then contact the resident.

**1712/404**      **To receive an update on the debris in the river, riverbank clearance and maintenance.**  
There is still debris upstream of the old ford. When the river is raised it will cause more issues.  
**ACTION** – Cllr M Thomas to recontact NRW.

**1712/405**      **Committee updates**  
**Road Matters Committee**  
The road by Pancross has still not been repaired. It is causing the road to become a single lane highway with vehicles and pedestrians are being forced into ditches to pass.  
  
Work is supposed to start from 19<sup>th</sup> December 2020 on the road by Pancross.  
  
The road from the A48 to quarry has not been repaired, and it has deteriorated again since the last meeting. Michael Clogg was emailed informing of this road but he has not yet responded.  
  
Cllr G Kemp also emailed Michael Clogg, and was told that the highways team had been informed. Cllr G Kemp is awaiting a response from the highways team. There are two issues - potholes on the highway which vehicles are trying to avoid and end up having to drive in the middle of the road and there are also potholes on the side of the roads which are being made worse by the lorries.  
**ACTION** – Cllr G Kemp will follow up with the highways team about the need for road repairs.  
  
A resident has contacted the Council regarding the state of the road.  
**ACTION** – contact resident who emailed regarding road to see if she would mind us forwarding her email to Michael Clogg.

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The amount of traffic from the quarry is an issue. If residents are leaving in the morning, it is not common to get caught in between four lorries. There is some concern around the amount of traffic allowed under their service level agreement. There has been a suggestion from a resident that they use a clockwise system, however, the other road is very busy and this could cause a lot of congestion and cause further damage to that road. The junction by Aubrey Arms is very dangerous anyway. It was noted that the quarry drivers are very courteous.

The quarry was discussed at the last Community Engagement and Future Generations Committee meeting and Cllr G Kemp followed up the issue with the Vale Council on behalf of the committee. The enforcement team has treated this as a complaint and the Council has enquired as to whether there had been any change in the licence for quarry which would affect its operation. No further response has been received. It still operates under the name of Seth Hill although the directorship has now changed to Prichard's. The committee is waiting to find out the terms of their current licence.

The LCC used to get sent the terms and conditions but the Council no longer receives them. There is a regional document, but it does not provide any information about individual quarries, it deals with the area as a whole.

**ACTION** – Cllr M Thomas and Cllr G Kemp to follow up.

Cllr A Rees has sent an email to Clive Moon but has not received a response, the Clerk has received an out of office response when emailing regarding the walk around in the village. Cllr M Thomas sent an email to Clive Moon with the information regarding a block drain in the lane that leads to Culvert. It had previously been reported to the Vale and Clive Moon was asked to follow up. The Vale have now responded and have unblocked it.

Following the recent flooding on the road slightly outside the boundary, from Llancarfan to Bonvilston via Greendown, there is a significant issue. The roads on both sides are sliding for a stretch of about 100-150 yards of flooding by Tyn y Coed Farm. Vehicles are using the ditches on either side of the road.

**ACTION** – Cllr G Kemp to follow up.

Brewers Lane is now impassable, tractors or 4x4's are the only vehicles that can use it. There is potholes and degradation of the sides of the road. Some potholes are 9 inches deep.

**ACTION** – Clerk to email Clive Moon regarding the village walkaround in January 2021.

### **Planning Committee**

#### Planning Applications

Two application have been approved:

2020/01212/FUL – Nauvoo, Llancarfan

Demolition of existing garage, replacing with single storey extension games room, internal alterations.

2020/01130/FUL – Pen Onn Farm, Llancarfan

Extension to rear of house to provide additional accommodation at first floor level and a terrace room at ground floor level.

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Two new applications have been submitted:

2020/01275/FUL – Field to the rear of New Mill Cottage, Llancarfan

Installation of 20 small demountable solar panels to be ground mounted (usually roof mounted) in an adjoining field.

**ACTION** – Comments made regarding the cables.

2020/01398/FUL – Broadclose Farm, Moulton

Proposed conversion of an existing stone storage barn, to form holiday/tourist accommodation.

RESOLVED - No issued raised.

There is one ongoing application:

2020/00718/FUL - Land of Broomwell Lane, Llancarfan

Erection of agricultural building, polytunnel and retention of horticultural outbuildings and access track.

Council has written several times with comments and is waiting for further correspondence. The stables are going to be a much larger agricultural building which is disproportionate to land size.

Reports have been received of the footpath being fence off and residents feeling unwelcome to use access due to aggressiveness of owners.

**ACTION** – Cllr J Angell to investigate.

#### **Burial Ground Committee**

There is has been no change.

#### **Community Engagement and Future Generations Committee**

The new committee has its second meeting in November and the next meeting has been scheduled for Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

The committee discussed a few issues with the public right of way, but the main focus for the January meeting is items for a newsletter.

**ACTION** – Any suggestions for items for the newsletter to be sent to either the clerk or Cllr M Thomas by 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

#### **Finance Committee**

##### Cheques to be written

Clerk Wages November 2020	£338.90
HMRC PAYE Clerk November 2020	£75.00
Llancarfan Christmas Tree Grant	£140.00
Llancadle Christmas Tree Grant	£100.00
Llantrithyd Christmas Tree Grant	£100.00

All payments were agreed by all. The cheques to be signed by Chair and Cllr J Scott-Quelch at their earliest convenience.

##### Receipts for the Burial account

There were none.

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Bank Balances

General Account opening statement balance as at 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	£17,277.58
General Account projected balance at 21 <sup>st</sup> January 2021	£16,435.08
Burial Account opening statement balance as at 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	£1886.48
Burial Account projected balance at 21 <sup>st</sup> January 2021	£1886.48

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**Correspondence**

Audit Wales has sent out the schedule for the new Audit Regulations, the LCC will be in the first cohort for the full audit. Therefore the 2020-2021 accounts will have a full audit by Audit Wales.

Audit Wales has questioned the legislation that was used for the BT Broadband Project in 2018 – 2019 and 2019 – 2020. The amount per resident has been exceeded for Section 137. The clerk has responded with Section 145 Local Government Act 1972, the right for the Council to provide entertainment to its community.

Planning Aid Wales training emails have gone out to Councillors but some are finding the passwords have expired. Cllr T Thomas is unable to access the training as he does not have a laptop.

**ACTION** – Clerk to register Mr T Bluff-Higgins and follow up with passwords.

The Precept letter has been received.

**ACTION** - The Chair and Clerk will work through and send out proposals prior to the next meeting.

Welsh Government Consultation

Welsh Government Consultation for older persons was circulated which highlights the need for multigenerational communities to support and celebrate the older generation. Closing the primary school means the Llancarfan is less likely to have a multi-generational community. The consultation requires a response.

Natural Resources England has carried out a consultation on the Country side code which the NRW are likely to take into account and duplicate.

This did not deal with the responsibility of landowners or group gatherings and use of fields. This is particularly relevant in the present COVID climate.

**ACTION** – Cllr M Thomas to draft and circulate before submitting

Benches and Signs

The Vale have responded regarding the location of the Llantrithyd bench. A discussion took place and it was RESOLVED to have the bench installed where the old one currently is as the school children use it when waiting for the school bus.

Cllr J Lott would like to thank the LCC for the offer of reinstating a bench in Llancadle, but the bench is no longer needed. The original bench has actually been replaced by the person who demolished the original. Unfortunately, the bench was left in a barn for three years so it was not in a good state when an attempt to install it was made so it was not installed.

The Vale will replace the smaller dog signs with larger signs in the Llancarfan.

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**ACTION** – Cllr J Scott-Quelch will find the location for the clerk to send to the Vale Council.

The signs in the Burial Grounds are on the three gates.

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**Reports from Representatives, and the Clerk**

Cllr J Scott-Quelch Airport attended the Airport Consultative Committee Meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2020.

- Mr Spencer Burns has stepped up as interim CEO as well as covering his existing role as Chief Commercial Officer.
- There has been a 97% drop in business over the last year due to the pandemic.
- The airport is very grateful for furlough schemes for the catering business etc.
- The collapse of Flybe was a terrible blow.
- Eastern Airways are hoping to start running again with Cardiff to Belfast flight from 11<sup>th</sup> Jan 2021
- There is hope that by the summer all other flights will have resumed although no commitments can be made at this point due to COVID restrictions changing daily.
- All airports are suffering and unfortunately, Cardiff has a smaller catchment.

Cllr P Bear will be attending the next One Voice Wales meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Cllr T Thomas – There have been no Tarmac Community Liaison Committee Meetings since the last LCC meeting.

Cllr J Scott-Quelch - There have no Llancarfan primary School Governors meetings since the last LCC meeting.

Cllr A Rees – There have been no Vale of Glamorgan Community Liaison Committee meetings since the last LCC meeting.

**1712/408**

**Items for consideration for next month's Agenda**

- Website  
**ACTION** – Councillors to make notes regarding website alterations to be discussed at the next meeting.
- Burial Ground Maintenance Contract to be decided upon.
- New school name
- Footbridge – the tarmac at the end of the footbridge has degraded and is slippery and steep.  
**ACTION** – Cllr M Hughes to obtain quotes for footbridge and wall damage.
- Trees and hedge laying  
**ACTION** – Cllr M Hughes to obtain previous quotes refreshed
- Future meetings to invite new PSCO for Cowbridge on a monthly basis to receive a police report.

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