

LLANCARFAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LLANCARFAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD VIA VIDEO CONFERENCING ON ZOOM AT 7.30PM 16th SEPTEMBER 2021

PRESENT	Councillors: Cllr K Kemp, Cllr T Thomas, Cllr A Rees, Cllr J Lott, Cllr M Hughes, Cllr J Scott-Quelch, Cllr J Angell, Cllr T Bluff-Higgins, Cllr P Bear and Cllr M Thomas.
Visitors	Cllr G Kemp, 3 members of the public
Apologies	-
In attendance	Mrs J Western – Clerk

- 1609/545** **To receive apologies for absence.**
Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr J Lott and Cllr G Kemp gave apologies for joining the meeting late.
- 1609/546** **To receive any declarations of interests.**
Cllr T Thomas declared an interest to the items which involved Pancross Farm, item 1609/566, and item 1609/567.
- 1609/547** **To determine any items on the agenda considered to be of a private nature that should be discussed at the exclusion of the Public and Press, under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 1 (2)**
There were no items that were considered to be of a private nature.
- 1609/548** **To hear from the Coach house representative regarding the future plans of the Fox and Hound.**
The LCC is the ground landlord for the pub and would like to receive an update on any future plans. Despite the clerk emailing them a couple of times, there has been no response as yet.
ACTION – Cllr K Kemp will ask the landlady for up-to-date contact details.
- 1609/549** **To receive the report from PCSO**
No report due to PCSO's annual leave.
- 1609/550** **To approve the minutes of the previous Council meeting of 15th July 2021.**
The minutes of meeting of 15th July 2021 were **Approved** – Proposed by Cllr T Thomas and seconded by Cllr T Bluff-Higgins.

- 1609/551** **To discuss any matters arising from the minutes that are not agenda items.**
 Item 1507/534, originally, 1706/512 from the June meeting, the Chair –wrote to the PCC requesting a contribution for remedial works to be carried out in the church yard. Sue Taylor would like estimates before they agree to a contribution. It was noted that the PCC signed an agreement and they have never contributed. It was agreed that the LCC should not have to send estimates but could send a copy of the original agreement.
- 1609/552** **To discuss and decide on a contractor for the Riverbank wall and footpath maintenance.**
 Cllr M Hughes to get another quote for comparison.
 It was noted the the LCC would need permission from the river authority to do work in the river by the corner of the church. However, permission would not be needed for the work by the carpark.
ACTION - Cllr K Kemp to pass specifics on damage to clerk for her to contact River Authority to seek permission for maintenance work.
- 1609/553** **To discuss the NantCarfan Catchment Project to include areas of water run-off identified by residents**
 The catchment project is specifically Llancafarn. Scott Hand was sent a list of problem areas which were identified by residents. There has been no update.
ACTION - Cllr M Thomas to follow up with Scott Hand
- 1609/554** **To discuss the Llancafarn Primary school site**
 The chair wrote the headteacher of Llancafarn Primary school to find out if they had any plans to mark the closure fo the primary school. There has been no response as yet.
 It was reported in the South Wales Echo, Glamorgan Star, and on Facebook that the Community Council had fully supported the name change. It is correct that the LCC supported the changing of the nameof the school but it did not agree to any specific name. It was noted that by agreeing to one thing, the changing of the name, it does not automatically mean you agree with something else, the actual name chosen.
ACTION – Chair to write to Echo and Glamorgan Star to set record straight as it was felt that this was a misrepresentation.
- 1690/555** **To discuss solar farm developments**
 Correspondence from Cllr Phillip Moss of St Nicholas Community Council had been circulated to all Councillors regarding a solar farm developments in their area.

 St Nicholas Community council has formed a working group to coordinate responses to the proposals for two large solar farms, and as a result, had approved a policy on Renewable Energy Schemes. This policy will commit the council to seek benefit to the community for any schemes.

 Councillors discussed whether this type of policy would be of benefit. The general agreement is that the Council would support solar energy projects, however, the projects discussed at St Nicholas were very large, 126 hectares, in comparison to those currently in the Llancafarn catchment area. However, it was agreed that a

workign party could be set up to research the policy and investigate ways of moving forward should a proposal of that size be made in the future.

The working party will consist of Cllr T Bluff-Higgins, Cllr M Hughes, and Cllr J Angell.

1609/556 **To discuss flooding in Llantrithyd and water discharging from Pantyffynnon quarry**
All summer, the stream has been completed dry despite the vehicles going back and forth. Responses to planning consultation were submitted but no movement. The quarry has started using articulated lorries to remove the stones. Tracking for the junction would not be relevant as there is nothing in planning preventing them. The application may include the junction improvement plan with the larger vehicles. A decision was made to wait until the actually planning application gets submitted.

ACTION – Remove from agenda until planning application is submitted.

1609/557 **To discuss and decide if any maintenance is required for the Burial Ground gates.**
The bolt on the bruial ground gate is hanging off and needs welding back on.

ACTION - Cllr T Thomas will arrange for the work to be carried out.

1609/558 **To discuss speeding in Llanbethery**

The council was asked to discuss the speeding issue through Llanbethery by residents. The Welsh Government launched the pilot scheme for 20 mile an hour in communities and villages that already had 30 mile an hour restrictions. It is now a policy.

The Vale Council will come out and do an assessment if required but then the village would have to compete with other communities in the area to be prioritised. The village will need to mmonitor risk factors and near misses.

LCC can submit a request to the Vale of Glamorgan Council and then Cllr G Kemp can follow up. The local authority previously tested the speeds in Llancadle but not found any of concern. Llantrithyd has speeding issues and the Residents Association started their own speed group who carry out speed checks with the PCSO. This is carried out two or three times a week. They have collated data going back several years and it is fed back to Police. Anyone caught recieves a letter. When the Residents Association asked for traffic calming methods, they were turned down because there had not been any accidents. Llancarfan had a similar, there had been no accidents and it does not have a 30 mile an hour speed restriction.

ACTION – Road Committee to contact Vale first. There is an application form on the Vale website traffic management department. Cllr M Thomas to liaise with Cllr A Rees

1609/559 **To discuss a community allotment in Llancarfan**

If a suitable piece of land could be found, the some members of the community would like to start a community allotment. This would not just be for Llancarfan, but for all wards. Llantrithyd Residents Association are interested and would be keen to join. Local Places for Nature are offering grants for wild flowers seeds, fruit trees and bushes.

The council is looking for someone who has some land which is not in use to lend the land under licence.

Rachel Carter is the Local Officer for Nature for One Voice Wales

ACTION - Cllr K Kemp will write a small piece on the hub asking for suggestions. Cllr J Angell to provide contact details for the Wales region of the National Allotment Society

1609/560

To discuss any plans for the Queens Platinum Jubilee

Details about the Beacon lighting ceremonies for the Queens Platinum Jubilee were circulated to councillors prior to the meeting. There is also an option for planting a tree. The council would like any celebration to include all four communities within the Llancafarn ward.

ACTION - Keep on the agenda and register as a community to get further information.

1609/561

Committee updates:

Road Matters Committee

Cllr A Rees emailed Nathan Thomas in Vale with 5 locations about flooding but has not heard any more.

The river has now been reinforced and thanks for work were given by Cllr A Rees.

ACTION – Cllr A Rees follow up with Nathan Thomas

Planning Committee: Planning Applications / Approvals / Complaints

There were 8 applications for tree work.

Planning Refused

1. **2021/00829/FUL - The Manse, Llancadle Road, Llancadle**
Widening of driveway to provide additional parking and turning space, widening existing vehicle access, demolition of garage and replacement with wooden shed, and repair of existing stone wall.
2. **2021/00933/FUL - Woodlands, Broad Close Lane, Moulton**
Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of a replacement dwelling.

Planning Approvals

3. **2021/00570/CAC - Tudor Cottage, Llanbethery**
AMENDED PLANS AND SITE LOCATION: Demolition of existing garage, proposed new garage / poolhouse, alteration of swimming pool and external alterations to the house, including Juliet balcony and enlarged dormers.
4. **2021/00569/FUL - Tudor Cottage, Llanbethery**
Demolition of existing garage, proposed new garage / poolhouse, alteration of swimming pool and external alterations to the house, including Juliet balcony and enlarged dormers

Planning Applications

5. **2021/01165/FUL - Land to the south east of Pen Onn Farm**
Retention of log cabin for tourism purposes and associated works
The council made the following comments:
 - a. It is noted the application is retrospective.

- b. There would appear to be no vehicle access to the building so access for emergency vehicles may not be possible. This needs to be addressed.
- c. It would appear that persons renting the building would need to walk across agricultural land, there is no proper access path shown, this would present a risk to the those crossing the land.
- d. How is power and water provided to the building, no details are shown.

6. **2021/01051/FUL - Stables at Land South of Greendown, Nr. Llancarfan**

Retention of the tractor shed/workshop as built and addition of lean-to trailer shed.

The Council has no comment.

7. **2021/00923/FUL - Cliff Barn, Llancarfan**

Replace 5 wooden doors with composite doors. Replace kitchen window with aluminium bi-fold doors (involves removing stonework below window). Replace 3 wood framed windows with composite frames/double glazed. All frames except bi-folding doors are to be solid composite, pebble grey, UPVC.

The Council has no comment.

Burial Ground Committee

Had a meeting to update the rules and regulations but at that meeting we suggest we consider putting in cremated remains plots

ACTION – To go on the agenda for further information and decision at next council meeting.

Community Engagement and Future Generations Committee

The next meeting 21st October 2021 at 6.45pm.

Cllr M Thomas has spoken to Gwyn Teague and the contract has been completed for installation of work on the bridge. The work should commence soon.

Finance Committee

The finance committee has not met.

1609/562

Correspondence received

The clerk has received an email from the lady who requested the installation of a commemorative bench in church yard. A stone bench was originally suggested by the person but now they think it may be uncomfortable for older people and they may not be able to put a plaque on it, and have subsequently asked if they can change it to a composite bench. The councils do not think that the decision should be changed from stone as composite was discussed and dismissed due to its appearance.

ACTION – Cllr K Kemp to respond that the council is not happy with composite and would like stone as originally offered.

1609/563

Finance

Payments

Clerk Wages July 2021	£335.34
Clerk Wages August 2021	£349.74
HMRC PAYE Clerk July & August 2021	£155.20
Edenvale Invoice 2/3	£660.00

All payments were agreed by all. The cheques and audit to be signed by two signatories on the weekend.

Receipts

Precept	£4,117.00
Burial Ground fees	£150.00

Bank Balances

General Account opening statement balance as of 16 th September 2021	£25,660.56
General Account projected balance on 21 st October 2021	£24,160.28

1609/564

Reports from Representatives and Clerk

Vale of Glamorgan Community Liaison Committee - Cllr A Rees

The next meeting is on 4th October 2021

Airport Consultative Committee – Cllr J Scott-Quelch

The next meeting is 22nd September 2021

Llancarfan School Governors – Cllr J Scott-Quelch

There has not been a meeting.

One Voice Wales - Cllr P Bear

There has not been a meeting.

Tarmac Community Liaison Committee – Cllr T Thomas

There has not been a meeting.

1609/565

Items for consideration for next month's Agenda

- Maintenance for the wall through the burial ground
- Invite Emily Shaw – biodiversity officer for the Vale

1609/566

To discuss the run-off from the Biodigester area.

The original complaint was about discharge and smell from the run-off through the village. There has been no further run through the village.

ACTION – This item to be removed from the agenda.

1609/567

To discuss the noise reported from Pancross farm.

The noise issues need to split into two. The first noise sounds like a huge crushing rock process which was noisy for a few days. Cllr J Angell spoke to the owner and the noise was dealt with and is no longer an issue.

The second issue was noise from the farm generally, thought to possibly be from fans. The council has not received any complaints from residents since the last council meeting and it was noted that resident usually go straight to the farmer to complain if they have any issues.

ACTION - This item to be removed from the agenda.