LLANBERIS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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**MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 2019:**

Minutes of the Council meeting held at the Ganolfan, Llanberis, Wednesday 11th September, 2019 at 7.30pm.

**1 PRESENT AND APOLOGIES:**

***Padarn Ward:*** Rhys ap Gwilym (Chairman), Gwilym Evans, Bethan Holding, Heather L Jones, Counc. Kevin Morris Jones, Helen Sharp, Trystan Thomas.

***Peris Ward:*** Iola Owen. Also present: Dei Tomos (Clerk).

***Apologies:*** Nicola Brown, Aneuryn Jones.

**2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST:**

Will be noted where appropriate.

**3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:**

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 10th July, 2019 were confirmed as a true record and were duly signed by the Chairman. Proposed and seconded: IO/BH.

**4 MATTERS ARISING:**

***1. Coed Doctor:***

An e-mail has been received from BG from Cyngor Gwynedd (CG) explaining that he will be arranging an open day in the woodland in October. No further information.

***2. Lakeside playground:***Work has been completed on the swings this week and they are now available for use. AWJ, officer from CG had persevered with this and the delay was caused by the company supplying the parts needed for the repair.

***3. Road closures:***

The A4086 up the Llanberis Pass will be closed from September 26th. There will be a complete closure from 0800 hrs and 18.00 on some days, with partial closure and significant delays on others.

***4. Sheep:***

Having had a Summer with relatively few problems with stray sheep, it was reported that there have been several sheep on the streets recently. The Council was informed that Brian Owen is no longer able to help with stray sheep. The Council asked IO to thank him for his his willingness to help with this matter over a number of years.

***5. Moles in the Cemetery:***According to the Clerk, there is no evidence of moles in the Cemetery. He has arranged with one of the undertakers to leave any soil left over after an internment to be used to even out some of the depressions that have appeared recently.

**5 OTHER MATTERS:**

***1. Bus shelters – Snowdonia National Park Authority (SNPA Car Park, Nantperis):***

IO and the Clerk reported that they had attended a meeting where the Authority revealed its plans for a bus shelter. The design (by Joe Roberts) is pleasing and appropriately incorporates aspects of the environment. Regrettably, there are no plans to use modern technology to convey information for tourists e.g. on bus times and the weather. The Authority agreed to consider this.

They also raised the concerns of this Council regarding the fact that there are not enough parking spaces on busy weekends and that a planning application for a formal extension to the car parking facilities has been refused twice. The 28 Day Rule for using fields for parking is understood but this rule is not always adhered to. The Clerk reported that he and KMJ will raise the issue again at the SNPA annual meeting with Comminity Councils as well as more events taking place (the 24-hr race being one) on Snowdon.

***2. Parking:***

KMJ reported that he is having talks with CG regarding long term parking permits for residents in Llanberis.

***3.Dolbadarn Castle:***

To celebrate Dolbadarn castle’s 800th, Y Ganolfan has arranged for Kevin Burgess to create a large tapestry which will be displayed there. KB will be working with local school children to create the tapestry. Y Ganolfan has already secured substantial sponsorship from Cadw and First Hydro, Llanberis. There was a request for a contribution from the Council. Following a discussion, it was agreed to contribute £1,500 towards this unique, once in a lifetime project. Proposed and seconded: TT/HLJ

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***4. Cae’r Ddôl:***

It was noted that, towards the end of the Summer significant damage had been caused to the field following a major event. There was a strong feeling that neither the field nor the village as a whole was being respected. KMJ as our County Councillor has already discussed this with one of the Council officials.

***5. Parking on the High Street:***

It was reported that there is some untidy and illegal parking in some areas.

***6. Resignation:***

Letter received from NB announcing her resignation from the Council noting that family and work commitments do not allow her to fulfil her role as she would wish.

**6 CORRESPONDENCE:**

***1. GC – Road closures:***

Rallt Goch, Llanberis on 9th September, 2019.

***2. GC- Parking:***

Plan to create a ‘Disabled resident only’ parking space on the eastern side of the unclassified road outside the property known as 38 Maes Padarn, Llanberis.

***3. Convention:***

Invitation to a multi-agency convention on ‘How can we support a carbon free Britain’ in Portmeirion on 13th December, 2019. (Need name/names)

***4. Un Llais Cymru:***Message received to remind Community/Town councils of the need to outline their plans to conform with the obligation to support biodiversity within their current work. According to ULlC, Llywodraeth Cymru (the Welsh Government) will soon publish papers on Frequently Asked Questions, Good Practice Guidelines and Report Guidelines. These will be distributed to Councils. A copy of the work done by Carmarthenshire Council was included.

***5. Carwyn Humphreys and Barry Davies:***

CH has written to this Council and GC complaining about the lakeside, cars parking overnight, tents and illegal camping, remains of camp fires and people generally showing terrible disrespect. Reference was also made to the parking facilities at the Glyn and the lagoons, Uncontrolled parking, concerns regarding access for emergency services, rubbish accumulations and the lack of facilities. In his letter he calls for a strategy to improve the site (as this Council has also asked for) and for signage for rubbish bins and for a parking fee.

In his response, BD states that there are plans for a makeover and improved management and that this is planned for 2020. A request was made that the Clerk should document that these matters have been raised with CG on numerous occasions, to no avail. It will all happen next year!

***6. SNPA – Meeting Councils:***

The annual meeting between the Park and the Councils within it will be on Monday, 30th September from 6.30 to 8.30 pm at Plas y Brennin, Capel Currig. It was agreed that the Clerk and KMJ would attend.

**7 PLANNING:**

**SNPA:**

**NP3/15/4H** – Minor change to Planning Consent NP3/15/4G dared 08/11/2016 to keep one window, add another window and substitute the slate cladding with wood. - ***2 Mur Mawr,Llanberis*** – No objections.

**NP3/15/71A** - ‘Two storey extension’ - ***Woodford, 12 Rhes Fictoria, Llanberis*** – No objections.

**Gwynedd Council:**

**C19/0703/15/LL** - ‘Demolition of current house and building a new house, - ***10 Ffordd Tŷ Du, Llanberis*** – No objections

**8 FINANCE:**

**1)** **In the Bank on 28th August, 2019**

**Current account**: £17,048.09 **Deposit Account**: £5,357.42

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**2) Payments confirmed: £2,608.24**

**3) Received between 29/06/2019 and 28/08/2019: £3,277.26**

Proposed and seconded: TT/KMJ

**9 NEXT MEETING:**

In the Ganolfan, Llanberis. Wednesday, 9th October,2019 at 7 pm.

Signed as a true record…………………….................…........................................Chairman

 October 9th, 2019

Clerk ……………………….....…………………….......................Date …………………............................

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