

LLANBERIS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 2022 MEETING

1 Welcome

Minutes of the Council meeting held on Wednesday, 9th November 2022 at 7pm in Y Ganolfan, Llanberis. The Chairman welcomed the members.

2 PRESENT AND APOLOGIES

Padarn Ward: Rhys ap Gwilym, Emlyn Baylis, Iwan Harding, Heather L Jones, Kevin Morris Jones, Cllr. Kim Jones, Nia Jones, Louise Price, Helen Sharp, Trystan Thomas.

Peris Ward: Iola Owen, Llinos Haf Pritchard (Chairman).

Apologies: Gwilym Evans

Also present: Dei Tomos (Clerk).

3 DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

Will be documented where relevant.

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 12th October, 2022 were confirmed as a true record and were signed by the Chairman. Proposed and seconded: HLJ / EB.

5 MATTERS ARISING

1. *Cae'r Ddôl:*

KJ, EB and the Clerk attended a meeting with Cyngor Gwynedd (CG), Parc Padarn officers and others to discuss the new arrangements that were in place for this year's running events. Apart from one of the organisers, everyone was happy with the new arrangements. The exception was the Ras yr Wyddfa (RyW) organiser, but because he was not present at the meeting, there were no further details regarding the dissatisfaction. The Events Committee felt that, apart from some minor issues in the first race, the new arrangements had been a success. Some members had received comments from local people who thought that the 'festival feeling' of RyW had been lost due to the change of venue.

2. *Ger y Llyn Playground:*

Work will commence next week.

3. *Blaen Nant, Nantperis:*

No further information but the Clerk was asked to contact Awdurdod Parc Cenedlaethol Eryri (APCA) to ask about granting permission for a new building.

4. *Glyn Peris, Pen y Gilfach, Llanberis:*

Planning permission has been granted for change of use, of this property, to a children's home.

5. *Coed Nantucha Footpath:*

Still no information regarding repairs to the footpath.

6. *New bus shelter Dôl y Goeden:*

It was reported that this shelter, the property of CG, has been completed but some of the electronic equipment is not working and the cameras are not working because the notices announcing their presence have not been put up. This is despite Cllr. KJ approaching CG on several occasions.

7. *Coed Doctor:*

KJ was thanked for arranging for the footpath to be repaired. She was asked to contact CG to put a new gate to the woods where the footpath leaves the main road.

8. *Church Cemetery*

It was reported that the grass in St. Peris' Church Cemetery had not been cut. The Clerk was asked to contact the usual contractor or another contractor and to ensure the work was completed soon.

9. *Christmas Lights:*

It was reported that electrical connectors for Christmas lights had been added to 4 lamp posts on the Stryd Fawr close to Y Ganolfan in Llanberis by CG. The cost will be lower than expected because the posts were close together.

6 OTHER MATTERS

1. Panel to Appoint a Clerk:

Chairman LIHJ, RhaG, TT and the Clerk as panel, will prepare an advert for the Clerk's post because DT is retiring. The Clerk promised to circulate the details within the next few days. It was agreed that the panel would have the right to act but that the details would be shared with other members rather than wait for the next meeting. Proposed and seconded: HS / KMJ.

2. Training Policy:

Discussion took place regarding a training policy for the Council. Three members are already waiting for a date to attend a course on Planning. The Clerk reported that one course clashed with the date of this meeting but the next one will be before the end of November.

It was agreed that every member should attend at least one of the courses organised by Un Llais Cymru/One Voice Wales between now and the end of March, and in the next financial year, from the beginning of April, every member to attend two courses. The Council will be paying for the courses and will be applying for any available bursaries in order to ease the financial burden. Proposed and seconded: KMJ / LP.

3. Finance Policy:

The Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales: annual report 2022 to 2023 was scrutinised with the intention of creating a policy for the future. This is the report that sets the range and level of payments for the next financial year for members of local authorities including community councils.

Under the new framework, all councillors must accept the allowance which will be £156 per person next year. Since this is non-negotiable it was agreed that members would not be receiving any extra payments for any role or responsibility that they take within the Council. The decision was unanimous and will be reflected in the policy. Proposed and seconded: TT / KMJ.

7 CORRESPONDENCE:

1. GC – Closure of the High Street for the Ffair Nadolig:

Notice received that Grwp Datblygu Llanberis (GDLI) has been given permission to close the Stryd Fawr between the Prince and the junction with the A4086 by Y Ganolfan for the Ffair Nadolig on Thursday 8th December. The road will be closed between 5 and 8 in the evening, but closed between the Prince and Ffordd Ty Du from 6.30 to 8. Between 5 and 8pm it will not be possible to drive through the village and the S1 and S2 bus services will use the by-pass.

2. Wales Fuel Support Scheme

Asking the Council to display publicity posters. One will be placed on each Council noticeboard.

3. Proposed Parking Restrictions:

Details of the double yellow lines for Ffordd Ty Du and Llainwen Uchaf, Llanberis. (As requested by this Council).

4. Wales Government:

Information about a Workshop by WG in Llandudno on December 7th.

5. Bangor University – Dementia Carers Research:

Information shared about a request to identify carers looking after people with dementia. The University is keen to share information and to gather information about the condition and its effect on sufferers and carers. The Clerk asked members to pass the details on to anyone they think could help.

6. 'One Voice Wales' Training Courses:

Dates for training courses for councillors organised by One Voice Wales were circulated and members were encouraged to choose a course as soon as possible.

7. Sporting Events:

A request has been made for a license to sell alcohol and to run a bar on Cae'r Ddôl during one of the big events next year, CG have consulted. CG were not in favour of the application but were keen to consult with this Council before making a decision. It was agreed that there was no need for a bar on the field since there are plenty of outlets in the village.

8 PLANNING:

C22/0650/15/LL – Land on Stâd Glyn Rhonwy, Llanberis – *Building a new event centre to include office space, meeting rooms and storage warehouse.*

Several comments were made: Members had understood that the site at Glyn Rhonwy had been earmarked by CG for industrial development that would employ a substantial number of workers and the question was raised why CG were favouring small retail outlets at the site? Many felt that this sort of development should be in the village itself where it would be of greater economic benefit. If this development is not in line with CG's original policy, then it

should be rejected. However, if it is not then this Council has no objections but does feel that small retail outlets e.g., a café, should not be permitted. All agreed except for HLJ who wished it to be documented that she did not agree with the majority and supported the application.

9 FINANCE:

1) In the Bank on 28th October, 2022

Current Account: £57,529.60 **Deposit Account:** £66.57

2) Payments confirmed:

TOTAL £5,342.80

3) Received between 29/09/2022 and 28/10/2022:

Nil

Proposed and seconded: EB / KJ.

10 EXTERNAL REPORTS:

1. Annual meeting of APCA with Town and Community Councils:

The Clerk attended the (Zoom) meeting on the Council's behalf. Numerous presentations were given by Park officers including an overview of work by the Chief Executive who expressed concern. As far as this area is concerned, he stated that he was pleased that parking arrangements had improved this year and the Sherpa bus service was popular and was meeting the demand. Amongst the presentations there were some specific plans within the Park in the Carneddau, Mawddwy and Ardudwy areas.

11 NEXT MEETING:

Date of the next meeting: Wednesday, December 14, 2022 at 7.00pm in Y Ganolfan.

Signed as a true record:

Chairman: Llinos Haf Pritchard

Clerk: Dei Tomos

Date: 14 December, 2022