

**CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANBERIS**

<b>Minutes of the meeting held on the 13th of December 2023 at the Ganolfan at 7 p.m.</b>		
<b>PRESENT</b>		
Llinos Haf Pritchard	Iola Owen	
Iwan Harding	Louise Price	
Emlyn Baylis	Nia Jones	
Kevin Jones	Helen Sharp	
Rhys ap Gwilym		
<b>1.</b>	<b>CHAIRPERSONS OPENING REMARKS AND APOLOGIES</b>	
	The meeting was formally opened by the chair Llinos Haf Prichard and welcomed the members to the December's meeting. Apologies were received from Councillors Gwilym Evans and Councillor Trystan Thomas.	
1.1	No public participation took place.	
1.2	Llanberis Development Group letter – the Clerk presented an explanation regarding the Partnerships that are in being and how they became about. It was also explained how they are financed. The content of the letter was discussed, and it was decided that the Clerk would contact the Group to state that the Community Council were principally in Support and that there was a need to investigate the idea, get copies of the feasibility studies. Part of the diligence will be to hold joint meetings. Money from HBO was mentioned and currently there is no information to hand how this money is to be shared and used. The Clerk to forward a letter.	<b>CLERK</b>
1.3	The money for the Llanberis Youth Club was provided some time ago for the youth club to use. The Community Council held the monies for the club as they do not have a bank account themselves. Arrangements are in hand to give the monies to the Ganolfan who will in turn manage the money for the Club. Confirmation was provided by the Council that this action could be taken.	<b>CLERK</b>
1.4	Independent remuneration Draft Annual Report February 2023 – the report was accepted.	<b>CLERK</b>
1.5	New Consultation: Local Government Finance Bill (Wales) – acknowledge and decided that the Council would leave the response to One voice Wales to respond on their behalf.	
1.6	Bustach Boncyrs Bingo – explained why this item could not be supported financially by the Council.	
1.7	Memorial for the Quarrymen – as the Electrical Mountain Building has been demolished and the land landscaped the Council so no purpose for the Pelton Wheel. It was decided that the Clerk would contact Engie/First Hydro to see if the Pelton Wheel could be moved from the site. It was also decided that the site would be ideal for the Memorial for the quarrymen, y Clerk to make an application to First Hydro. It was also decided that the committee to erect a memorial for the quarrymen would be resurrected with a meeting to be arranged in the new year. It was also suggested that the committee be chaired by the Dei Thomas. The Clerk to send him an invite.	<b>CLERK</b>
1.8	Friendship Benches Plas Pen Gwaith – it was explained that it was possible for the benches to be made into friendship benches but there was a need to Finance the project if the Home had a bank account, a constitution etc they could then make an application for financial assistance via the Section 137. Unfortunately, this was not possible. Further information was if they could be Finance via another means.	<b>RHaG/KJ</b>

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<b>2.0</b>	<b>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</b>	
	Councillor Emlyn Baylis item 1.2; Councillor Llinos Haf Pritchard item 7.2iv.	
<b>3.0</b>	<b>REPORTS ON COUNTY MATTERS</b>	
3.1	The written report on county matter were presented by Councillor Kim Jones. See Appendix 1.	
<b>4.0</b>	<b>CONFIRMATION OF LAST MONTHS EXPENDITURE AND FINANCIAL REPORT</b>	
4.1	The expenditure and financial report for November 2023 was presented and accepted.	
4.2	Budget 2024-2025 – the draft budget for the next financial year was presented. The Clerk explained that there was a need to ensure that should be at least enough money in the account to operate for 6 months. £10K has been earmarked for buying land for a new cemetery, the same will need to be carried out next year for the same purpose and that there is enough money for community projects. The budget has been projected using an increase of 10%. The precept will also be needed to projected using the same percentage. Currently the precept is £36K and 10% increase would bring it to 39600K. this means that an increase of £4.51 on average to all Band D households within the community. The proposed increase on the precept was unanimously agreed.	<b>CLERK</b>
4.3	Payments for December were agreed	<b>CLERK</b>
4.4	The appointing Committee stated that the Clerk's agreement had been agreed and completed and that the Clerks salary was decided upon using the appraisal NALC proforma spreadsheet, the Clerk will be on point 31 of the scale and will be presently £20.37 an hour. Only the national increase on green collar workforce will change the amount. Part of the Clerks duties will be to prepare Welsh and English minutes. In the past the translation would be carried out externally.	
<b>5.0</b>	<b>CONFIRMATION OF LAST MONTHS MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING</b>	
5.1	The minutes for November 2023 were accepted as correct.	
5.2	20mph enforcements – no enforcement for the new restriction has been carried out but it is understood that enforcement is about to start.	
5.3	CCTV and public meeting - no information received from Steven Edwards the estimated cost for 5 cameras. It is hoped that arrangements can be made for a public meeting in the new year depending on the availability of the police.	
5.4	Road Safety – Glanrafon Road – Gwynedd Council have suggested installing a pedestrian in road sign, this is not an appropriate sign, a request for a non-prescribed sign has been forwarded to state that it is a Safe Route to School – No Vehicles. No further information has been received.	<b>CLERK</b>
5.5	Change location of a litter bin within the Lakeside playing area – no progress to repost on this matter.	
5.6	Bilingualism – High Street. It was noted that only one business has acted upon the letter. This work by Fran Las is welcomed. It is important that the use of the Welsh Language is visible on the High Street. The Council to continue with the campaign and encourage businesses on the High Street to use the Welsh Language. It was decided that the Council would show its disappointment in Gwynedd Council in erecting an English only road sign for Victoria Hotel.	
<b>6.0</b>	<b>HGIHWYAS AND PUBLIC FOOTPATHS</b>	

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6.1	Repair work to the footway on the High Street – information was provided by the Clerk that this work had been postponed for the time being due to the workers being on winter Maintenance jobs which is given priority at this time of year, gritting can be carried out little warning. Information was also given that levelling up money is available by the UK government to the slate industry sites within Gwynedd. This money is available to carry out such works, but the work would need to have some slate design work within it.	
<b>7.0</b>	<b>CEMETERY</b>	
7.1	Work on the memorials has been completed.	<b>CLERK</b>
7.2	Risk assessment and Management Policy for the Cemetery – the committee recommended that adoption of these documents. The decision to adopt was unanimous.	
7.3	The extension of the cemetery – the Clerk stated that the Cemetery Committee had identified locations where a cemetery would be possible. Land behind the church but Access could be difficult, the glebe, preliminary discussion has been started and will continue with the Bangor Archdeacon.	<b>CLERK</b>
7.4	No progress on the new noticeboard, although there may be hope that the old noticeboard can be used and placed on top of the wall. Progress to be reported on n next month's meeting.	
<b>8.0</b>	<b>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</b>	
	None	
<b>9.0</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES</b>	
9.1	Good feedback on the Christmas Fair was received.	<b>CLERK</b>
9.2	The Standard of the Christmas Tree for Llanberis was disappointing. This was for the second year in succession/ it was decided that next year other options were to be looked at. This work to be done in plenty of time.	<b>CLERK</b>
<b>10.0</b>	<b>REPORT ON OTHER ORGANISATIONS MEETINGS</b>	
10.1	Da verbal report was received about the recent governors meeting of Ysgol Dolbadarn.	
<b>Signature</b> :		<b>Date:</b>

Appendix 1

**December's Report**

The Christmas Fair had been a very successful event. Thanks for everybody's Support over the tow days (Fire Service, Eric Baylis, The Church, Emlyn Baylis for putting the lights, Dafydd Owen electrical, Dolbadarn, Deiniolen Silver Band and members of the Community Council.

National Grid – it is hoped that the playing field area will be ready before Christmas (depending on the weather) and good new that the Football Club has received £20,000 community grant so that a loan mower can be bought.

Double yellow lines at Llainwen have been painted. Consultation period for a prohibition of waiting at Church Lane and Ceunant street is now open.

Thanks to the Ganolfan for financing the selection boxes and colouring pencils for the Santa Grotto for the Fair, Breakfasts, and junior section for the school. Thanks also for Raymond for work.

Grant LUF Parc Padarn – the work will begin at the beginning of 2024 in Gilfach Ddu as the Council has been successful in their application for the levelling up fund.

Meeting of the event Group in Llanberis – the events for 2024 were discussed and the parking concerns have been noted. Parc Padarn will share a list of all events. Posters have been shared.

I have made an enquiry with the Ganolfan to see if they are able to buy grit bin for the parking area, the Council will deliver and place eon site and will also fill it and send the invoice thereafter.

Social Club Llanberis – they have collected ingredient and foodstuff for making Christmas lunch for the residents of Plas Pen Gwaith.

I have reported to the Council that the wooden bridge at Nant Peris is dangerous and that it needs some anti slip work done on it. An inspector will visit.

I have requested the Council repaint the White line in front of Glanrafon Terrace Nant Peris as people park in front of the drive.

Sweeper have been to Fron Goch last week as there were reports of frozen fallen leaves on the ground.

Siân Gwenllïan and I visited the new chemist. Friendship benches Plas Pen Gwaith – will discuss at the meeting.

Bustach Boncyrs Bingo – Discuss in the meeting.

I will be on maternity leave from February 22 for 6 months.  
The flats at Maes Padarn are all now under the key fob system.

The Llanberis Youth Club will continue for the year 2024-2025.

Engie have filled postholes on the Access junction to car [ark following a fall to a resident.