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Minutes of the June 2021 meeting of Llanddarog Community Council held online on the 09/6/2021 at 19.00.

46/2021-2022 Present:

Councillors: M Rees (Chair), J Williams O.B.E, W Evans, H Jones, J Youens, R Owen.

County Councillor A Davies.

Clerk.

47/2021-2022 Apologies.

Councillors: R Jones, E Davies, S Herridge, H Jones, T Evans.

48/2021-2022 Declarations of personal interest.

None.

49/2021-2022 Opportunity for the public to address the Council on agenda items.

None.

50/2021-2022 Policing and Road Safety Matters

Cllr J Williams O.B.E. confirmed that a site meeting had been arranged on 18/06/2021 at 14.00 regarding the DFS (Driver Feedback Sign) at Lan Lucis Bridge. Cllr J Williams O.B.E. and Cllr R Jones to attend.

51/2021-2022 County Council matters - County Cllr A Davies.

County Cllr A Davies reported that a number of complaints had been received regarding 2 large sheds which had been built in Is y Llan to facilitate a small business. This is now being investigated.

County Cllr A Davies informed Council members that Llanddarog and Porthyrhyd Halls have reopened and that risk assessments and signage were in place to comply with Covid-19 regulations.

Carmarthenshire County Council have recently donated £48K to the food banks within the County. £43K has come from renewable energy income from Solar Panels and the remaining £5K from proceeds of crime via trading standards.

The cluster of 18 Covid cases in Pontyberem have been contained to a family and their associates therefore no mass testing will take place at the moment. Most of the cases are younger adults who have only had one or no vaccine and the situation is being monitored very closely.

County Cllr A Davies also reported that Llanarthne Village Hall are launching a Crowdfunding campaign on 09/06/2021 as part of the Calor Gas Rural Community Fund to raise the final £22k required to complete the extension which will see outside toilets for the park and an extended hall with more capacity for events and classes. Llanarthne Village Hall are £22k short of the final amount required and this is partly due to increased material costs as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic. The cost of the extension went up by £11k + VAT. Community members can access the Calor Gas Fundraiser page, click on the "like" button which will give the hall 1 point. If members

can donate £1.00, the crowdfunding will give the hall 10 points. The project with the most points at the end of the month will have the £5,000 prize from Calor Gas Rural Community Fund. Please share this as much as you can in order to maximize our chances.

52/2021-2022 Chairman's Report.

The Chair reported that the second grass cutting had been completed to a high standard and that she would remind Cllr T Evans regarding the necessary work that required completion outside Llanddarog Church. The Chair also informed Council members that the telephone kiosk had now been removed from Is y Llan.

53/2021-2022 Confirmation and signing of the Minutes of the Council Meeting 14/04/2021.

It was **resolved** to confirm the minutes for the AGM and for the clerk to deliver the minutes to the Chair for signing on 10/06/2021. Proposed by Cllr J Youens and seconded by Cllr J Williams O.B.E.

It was **resolved** to confirm the minutes for 12/05/2021 and for the clerk to deliver the minutes to the Chair for signing on 10/06/2021. Proposed by Cllr J Williams O.B.E. and seconded by Cllr W Evans.

54/2021-2022 Matters arising from the above minutes.

The Clerk informed Council members that all matters to **resolve** had been actioned and if correspondence had been received, a copy of the Email had been sent to each member for information.

55/2021-2022 To note correspondence or to list for consideration at a forthcoming Council meeting.

None.

56/2021-2022 Planning.

No objections to the following planning applications.

PL/01929 - Proposed by Cllr J Youens and seconded by Cllr R Owen.

PL/01965 – Proposed by Cllr J Williams O.B.E. and seconded by Cllr W Evans.

| Application Number | Application Type | Location | Description |
|---------------------------|---|---|--|
| PL/01929 | Householder Planning Permission | Tan Y Graig, Mynyddcerrig, Llanelli, SA15 5BL | Single Storey Extension and an Annex to a Dwelling |
| PL/01965 | Prior Notification : Building (agricultural/forestry) | Penrhiw Farm, Cwmisfael, Carmarthen, SA32 8BY | Replacement Hay Shed |

57/2021-2022 Payments

The below payments were certified in the May monthly meeting and **ratified** in the June Monthly meeting. Copies of invoices sent to all members electronically prior to payment for authorisation. Proposed by Cllr J Youens and seconded by Cllr W Evans.

| Method of Payment | Date | Suppliers & Details | Sum £ inc VAT |
|--------------------------|-------------|---|----------------------|
| Online | 17/05/2021 | NEST | 228.07 |
| Online | 24/05/2021 | WCVA SIN 010906 | 21.30 |
| Online | 24/05/2021 | J.G Evans May Payroll | 326.65 |
| Online | 24/05/2021 | HMRC PAYE – Period 2 | 89.80 |
| Online | 24/05/2021 | Dynefor Tree Services – Inv 001 | 250.00 |
| Online | 24/05/2021 | Centerprise International – Inv 203999 | 713.62 |
| Online | 24/05/2021 | Zoom Pro Inv 83504950 | 107.90 |
| Online | 24/05/2021 | Zoom Webinar – Inv 83505260 | 384.00 |
| Online | 24/05/2021 | BHIB Ltd – Inv – LCO0037- 505992 | 874.95 |
| Online | 24/05/2021 | Edge IT Systems Ltd - Inv - 35194 | 43.34 |
| Online | 24/05/2021 | Llandeilo Royal British Legion – D T Davies Donation | 50.00 |
| Online | 24/05/2021 | Cruse Bereavement - Donation | 250.00 |
| Online | 24/05/2021 | Marie Curie - Donation | 100.00 |
| Online | 24/05/2021 | Welsh Air Ambulance - Donation | 100.00 |
| Online | 24/05/2021 | Ty Bryngwyn Hospice - Donation | 150.00 |
| Online | 24/05/2021 | Llanddarog Village Hall Committee – Revenue Grant | 500.00 |
| Online | 24/05/2021 | Mynyddcerrig Welfare Committee – Revenue Grant | 500.00 |
| Online | 24/05/2021 | Porthyrhyd Welfare Committee – Revenue Grant | 500.00 |

58/2021-2022 Receipts.

Llanarthne Community Council - 50% Zoom Pro (No VAT).

27/05/2021 - £44.96.

Llanarthne Community Council - 50% Zoom Webinar (No VAT).

27/05/2021 - £160.00.

Llanarthne Community Council - Centerprise International 50% Laptop (No VAT).

27/05/2021 – £297.34.

59/2021-2022 Code of Conduct Training.

Information on Code of Conduct training was sent to all Council members prior to the meeting. Please see following information:

One Voice Wales - The course is available for up to 20 people on a week night from 18.30 – 20.00 at a cost of £299.00. Collaboration a possibility with Llanarthne Community Council.

Carmarthenshire County Council – Possible online course available after Standards committee considers the matter further at its meeting on 11/06/2021.

Resolved to place on the agenda for the July meeting on 14/07/2021.

60/2021-2022 Safer Communities Walkway

The Clerk informed Council members that he had contacted Carmarthenshire County Council with regards to the Safer Communities Walkway Programme for a footpath/cycle path from the Mansel Arms to Porthyrhyd and a reply had been received from Mr Thomas Evans (Transport Planner – Transport and Highways Division) regarding the issue. Please see reply -

“From what you outlined regarding the provision of walking/cycling facilities between Drefach/Porthyrhyd, I’m afraid this scheme on its own would not fit the criteria for a full Safe Routes in Communities bid (SRiC). The focus on any SRiC bid has to be enhanced active travel provision leading to and from the school (with the school anchoring and supporting the bid).

Please note that we have included the requested link (active travel route between Drefach and Porthyrhyd) on our Active Travel Network Map that we will be submitting to Welsh Government in December. If there are any other additions you can think of, please add them using the following link: <https://cyclewalkcarms.engaged.space/>”

The Clerk also informed Council members that he had spoken with Mrs Lauren McNee (Support Officer – Sustrans) regarding the same issue and that a senior officer would be in contact in the near future. **Resolved** to note and place on the July agenda.

Cllr J Williams O.B.E. asked why a footpath/cycle path had recently been constructed from Blaenau – Caebryn and Llangennech – Dafen as no schools were within the vicinity. County Cllr A Davies replied that it may be due to the population in the area, but she would enquire with the relevant department. **Resolved** to note and receive update in the July meeting on 14/07/2021.

61/2021-2022 Forum in order for Members to raise reports / questions through the Chairman.

Cllr J Youens enquired as to the location of the bench removed in error from Mynyddcerrig in March 2021. The Clerk updated Council members that the bench was in his shed and that the contractor was waiting for him to collect composite timber from the supplier. **Resolved** for the Clerk to collect the material ASAP.

Cllr M Rees reported on the condition of the road surface on the slipway to Llanddarog and Porthyrhyd. **Resolved** for the Clerk to inform Trunk Road Services.

62/2020-2021 In camera 19.55.

Those who were not Community Council members or the Clerk departed the meeting – not to return. The exclusion is due to personnel / staffing matters being discussed.

63/2020-2021 Staff pay run June 2021.

The Clerk reported the payroll amounts verbally to all Council members. It was **resolved** to accept the report and ratify the payment of the sums as presented.

64/2021-2022 The meeting finished at 19.58.

Chairman

Date
