

CYNGOR CYMUNED LLANDDAROG COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Llanddarog Community Council held at Porthyrhyd Village Hall on 02/10/2022 at 19.00.

Carmarthenshire Revised Local Development Plan (2018 – 2033)

109/2024-2025 Present.

Councillors: R Jones, R Owen.

Clerk.

110/2024-2025 To receive apologies.

Councillors: Cllr K Waters (Chair), J Williams O.B.E, R McFarlane, M Rees, M Griffiths, T Evans.

111/2024-2025 To receive declarations of interest.

None

112/2024-2025 Opportunity for the public to address the Council on agenda items.

Cllr R Owen welcomed all community members to the meeting. Cllr R Owen informed the public that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the Carmarthenshire Revised Local Development Plan (2018 – 2033) after a request from community members was received on 11/09/2024.

Cllr R Jones reported that the Carmarthenshire Revised Local Development Plan (2018 – 2033) was discussed by council members on 12/04/2023, minute **246/2022-2023** and a statement was submitted to Carmarthenshire County Council. No objections were received from community members prior to the statement being submitted and additional comments can no longer be submitted. According to the Carmarthenshire Revised Local Development Plan (2018 – 2033), Llwyn Henry has been allocated the potential for 6 dwellings and there has been a slight extension to a boundary line at a different location.

Cllr R Jones went on to ask that, given the recent approval for the Wernfraith Farm development and that the situation regarding residential allocation in the village had changed significantly, was there still a need for the inclusion of the Llwyn Henry site in the Revised Local Development Plan (2018 – 2033). Community members felt there was not.

Community members also asked why the limit of development on the southeastern edge of the village had been extended with seemingly little or no prior notification.

A community member^s stated that the allocation was for 5+ dwellings at Llwyn Henry. The allocation for Wernfraith Farm was for 27 dwellings but planning has been granted for 42 dwellings. MAP has no objections to development within the community, but the infrastructure is not adequate to support any overdevelopment. The community need to be aware of changes to planning applications as developers will allocate between 26-30 dwellings per hectare.

The community were disappointed that Llanddarog Community Council had only issued a statement supporting farmers in obtaining a second dwelling on the farm for family members to reside without having to wait up to 8 years for permission to be granted. The Wernfraith Farm developers have pledged £94,000.00 to the

community. Can these funds be utilized to improve the infrastructure (Pavements, traffic control measures, drainage, etc).

A Member of MAP reported that the funds had been outlined to support Porthyrhyd Welfare committee with regards to the village hall and playground area.

The Clerk to investigate where the funds can be allocated and report at the next community council meeting. **Resolved** to note.

Community members asked if there was any update from Welsh Water regarding the ongoing works.

The Clerk reported that no updates had been received but will contact Welsh Water. **Resolved** to note.

Community members stated that there was an increase in the volume of traffic and speeding vehicles within the community.

The Clerk reported that he had previously reported the issue to Go-Safe and will continue to report when a complaint is received. The Clerk also asked all community members to report the issue to Go-Safe rather than wait for the community council to report. The Clerk also reported that he had previously informed community members with regard to the Community Speedwatch Scheme.

Community Speedwatch (CSW) is a national initiative where, in partnership with the police, members of communities use detection devices to monitor local vehicle speeds.

The volunteers report drivers exceeding the speed limit to the police with the aim of educating drivers to slow down.

If the data proves a driver is ignoring repeated warnings police can prosecute them.

The aim is to:

- reduce death and injury on the roads
- improve the quality of life for local communities
- reduce the speed of vehicles to the speed limit
- increase public awareness of inappropriate speed

Community Speedwatch does not result in prosecution itself. However, if a persistent speeding driver is identified through the scheme, police can use this evidence to take action against them if required. If there is a persistent general speeding issue where highway improvements are required (eg speedbumps), the relevant agency will be contacted.

Resolved for the Clerk to ask Carmarthenshire County Council to perform a traffic survey in Porthyrhyd and arrange a site meeting with Andrew Morgan (Traffic Engineer).

Community members enquired about the surface water drainage system within the village and that Carmarthenshire County Council had a duty of care to the community with regards to flooding within the area. **Resolved** for the Clerk to contact the flood prevention department within Carmarthenshire County Council.

Community members reported that pavements were being restricted or lost due to overgrown hedgerows despite asking Carmarthenshire County Council to resolve the issue. **Resolved** to discuss at the October meeting on 09/10/2024.

Community members reported that no survey or works had been done on Lanlucis bridge in Porthyrhyd since 1985 and concerns were raised regarding safety as the volume and size of vehicles had increased since 1985. Also speeding vehicles are an issue in this area. **Resolved** to discuss at the October meeting on 09/10/2024.

113/2024-2025 The meeting finished at 21.15.

Chairman

Date
