

**Llangurig Community Council**  
**Remote Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2021**

Minutes of meeting held remotely via Zoom on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2021 at 7.30pm.

**In attendance:** Cllr J Dore (Chairman), Cllr L Higgitt (Vice Chairman), Cllr R Williams, Cllr I Bound, Cllr L Sephton.

**Clerk:** Sophie Palmer

1. **Apologies:** Cllr A Nolan, Cllr R Jones, Cllr C Howells, Cllr P Abel.
2. **Declarations of interest** *whether likely to benefit or disadvantage, should be disclosed prior to commencement of discussion.*  
No declarations of interest were made.
3. **Minutes** for meeting of 16<sup>th</sup> November 2021 were agreed and proposed as an accurate record by Cllr L Higgitt and seconded by Cllr L Sephton.
4. **Public Speaking** *15 minutes allocated for members of the public to speak on items on the agenda*  
No members of the public were present
5. **Highway Matters:**
  - a. **Signage for Poultry Farm:** Waiting on update from Cllr P Davies. Cllrs confirmed that no sign has been put up as yet.
  - b. **Broken drain on the C2075 near Llwyncelyn:** PCC Highways were going to take a look at this issue but have not provided an update as yet.
  - c. **Road crumbling away past chicken shed:** Clerk confirmed the exact location to Highways and is chasing an update.
  - d. **30mph & 50mph limit, Llangurig roundabout:** Clerk is chasing TRA for update
  - e. **Repositioning of bus stop:** Waiting on update from Cllr P Davies
  - f. **Path between cemetery and village:** Waiting on update from Cllr P Davies
  - g. **Water across fields near Minffordd:** Clerk is chasing Highways for an update. Pictures of the issue to be forwarded to Clerk to send on to Highways.
6. **Matters Arising:**
  - a) **Village Green**
    - i. **Boundary:** Information has been received from solicitor regarding the land to be transferred around the Community Centre. The land requested by Curig Charity is different from the original request. Cllrs discussed this but agreed to hold a site meeting in order discuss at the physical location the land requested. Curig Charity to be invited also. Site meeting to be held on 12<sup>th</sup> January at 4pm.
    - ii. **Trees:** The trees have now been removed, no invoice received as yet. The green has also suffered from the tree removal and will need some soil, levelling, seed etc. There is also a bush and a holly bush which should ideally be cut back. These to be looked at and discussed during the site meeting as mentioned above.
  - b) **Village Play Area:**  
Clerk has received a response from the owners of the rights for fishing and shooting which doesn't confirm whether they are in support of the project and may suggest misunderstanding of the location. They have also suggested speaking to PCC legal dept. Clerk to respond and also contact Cllr P Davies to ask for his help in communicating with the relevant people at PCC regarding the matter.
  - c) **Slates at Black Lion:** Awaiting an update from TRA following the question about the obstruction of the pavement.
  - d) **Community Wind Farm Fund:** Waiting on update from Cllr P Davies
  - e) **Bank Account transfer:** All info has been sent to Unity Trust to process. They are backlogged and things are currently taking longer than usual. Clerk to continue to chase.
  - f) **Collapsed surround for bins near Caewaen:** Chasing this up with PCC, this has still not been repaired/replaced.
  - g) **Flagpole for Village Green:** Cllr I Bound unable to speak with John Lewis regarding the temporary flagpole that was up during remembrance but will aim to do so prior to the next meeting.
  - h) **Home to School transport issue of local resident:** No response received from PCC Cllr. County Times article about the issue has been in the paper recently. Clerk to leave on the agenda.
  - i) **Defibrillators:** The Clerk has spoken to John Lewis, he and Colin are looking after the defib and doing regular checks to ensure it is in working order. A new cabinet is required for the Llangurig defib which has been priced at around £540 and wondered whether LCC could contribute towards this as the groups funds are depleted. Cllrs are willing to offer some financial assistance. Clerk to request a definitive figure for the

cost of the cabinet. Cllrs will discuss during Feb when charitable contributions are discussed.

- j) **Horse manure on verges:** Clerk confirmed that she wrote to the owner of the horses regarding horse manure being tipped onto the verges but has not received a response. Cllrs agreed to remove this item from the agenda as the horses are no longer there.
- k) **Broadway Partners: Letter to local residents:** Clerk responded to the letter received as per discussion at the previous meeting and received a response which was forwarded onto Cllrs to consider. Cllrs confirmed that the letter has been sent out into the community but Cllr J Dore's name has been removed as requested.
- l) **Queen's Jubilee 2022:** Information has been sent through by One Voice Wales. The Community Centre Committee has also discussed the jubilee and asks if LCC could consider a joint event. Cllrs discussed but due to election costs and the fact that LCC have not organised an event previously, Cllrs agreed that LCC would not be looking to do this.

**7. Correspondence:** Various correspondence received from Organisations and Government with up to date information relating to the current COVID-19 situation. All correspondence has been distributed to Cllrs and shared online as necessary.

- a. **One Voice Wales:** The Local Elections (Principal Areas) (Wales) Rules 2021 and the Local Elections (Communities) (Wales) Rules 2021. Add to next agenda.
- b. **Powys CC:** Election costs and guidance on election May 2022. Information noted, no action.
- c. **One Voice Wales:** Consultation on planning legislation and policy for second homes and short-term holiday lets. Information noted, no action.
- d. **One Voice Wales:** Technical Advice Note (TAN) 15 – Important Update from the Minister for Climate Change. Information noted, no action.
- e. **Powys CC:** Future plans for Ysgol Calon. Information noted, no action.
- f. **Powys CC:** Budget Survey. Information noted, no action.
- g. **One Voice Wales:** Eligible Community Councils (General Power of Competence) (Qualifications of Clerks) (Wales) Regulations 2021. Add to next agenda.
- h. **One Voice Wales:** Welsh Tax Acts etc. (Power to Modify) Bill. Information noted, no action.

**8. Planning:**

- a. **Application Reference: 21/1808/FUL** Grid Reference: E:290818 N: 279952  
Proposal: The installation of 2 no. Electric Vehicle (EV) Quick Charging points and 2 no. electrical cabinets, associated cabling and ancillary works, including the installation of stainless steel bollards around the proposed equipment Site Address: Blue Bell Inn, Llangurig, Llanidloes, Powys SY18 6SG  
Cllrs discussed the above application and agreed they are in support of it.

*The following application was not on the agenda due to it being received after the agenda was posted but will be discussed due to the deadline passing before the next meeting:*

- b. **Application Reference: 21/1809/LBC** Grid Reference: E:290818 N: 279952 Proposal: The installation of 2 no. Electric Vehicle (EV) Quick Charging points and 2 no. electrical cabinets, associated cabling and ancillary works, including the installation of stainless steel bollards around the proposed equipment. Site Address: Blue Bell Inn, Llangurig, Llanidloes, Powys SY18 6SG  
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**9. Finances:**

- a. **Account balance** = £8,556.49
- b. **Finalisation of precept for 2022/23:** Cllrs continued the discussion regarding the precept and agreed a precept amount of £8,283.00 which is the expected expenditure for the coming financial year. The precept is higher than usual due to the need to precept for the event of a contested election in May 2022.
- c. **Bills to be paid:**

Sophie Palmer (Clerk) salary (Dec) = £249.60 - £124.80 (PAYE) = £124.80 (net pay)

Sophie Palmer (Clerk) expenses (Dec) = £24.89

HMRC PAYE tax payable (Dec) = £124.80

**10. Councillors Comments:**

There are still items obstructing the roadway in front of School House. Clerk to contact Highways to discuss with the owner.

**11. Next Meeting:** The next meeting of Llangurig Community Council is to be held on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2021 at 7.30pm at Llangurig Community Centre or remotely via Zoom depending on which is deemed most appropriate nearer the time.

Chair Cllr J Dore thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.38pm.

Signed:  Sophie Palmer (Clerk & RFO)