

Llangurig Community Council
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday 18th October 2022

Minutes of meeting held at Llangurig Community Centre on Tuesday 18th October 2022 at 7.30pm.

In attendance: Cllr L Higgitt (Chairman), Cllr C Howells (Vice Chair), Cllr R Jones, Cllr R Williams, Cllr I Bound, Cllr P Abel.

Not present: County Cllr Glyn Preston, County Cllr Gareth Morgan

Clerk: Sophie Palmer

1. **Apologies:** Cllr D Jones, Cllr H Pugh, Cllr A Nolan
2. **Declarations of interest** *whether likely to benefit or disadvantage, should be disclosed prior to commencement of discussion.*
Cllr R Jones declared an interest in agenda item 7b
Cllr L Higgitt declared an interest in agenda item 7a
3. **Minutes** for meeting of 20th September 2022 were agreed and proposed as an accurate record by Cllr R Williams and seconded by Cllr P Abel.
4. **Public Speaking** *15 minutes allocated for members of the public to speak on items on the agenda*
No members of the public present
5. **Highway Matters:**
 - a. **Signage for Poultry Farm:** Cllr Glyn Preston looking into this.
 - b. **Broken drain on the C2075 near Llwynceilyn:** Confirmed that the drain is broken, not blocked. Highways were going to have a look. Clerk to follow this up with highways again to ensure they are checking the correct drain.
 - c. **30mph & 50mph limit, Llangurig roundabout:** Clerk to chase 50mph signage. Reviews will be done for trunk roads with 30mph limits to see whether they are reduced to 20mph as per the recent review by Welsh Government.
 - d. **Repositioning of bus stop:** Cllr Glyn Preston looking into this.
 - e. **Path between cemetery and village:** Cllr Glyn Preston looking into this.
 - f. **Roadway towards Penllyn:** PCC have confirmed that this is a PCC maintained road and it was logged for repair on 26th Sept.
 - g. **Broken drain close to Black Lion:** This was fixed on 3rd October. Item to be removed from agenda.
 - h. **Collapsed surround for bins near Caewaen:** Clerk has received a reply stating that this should be an easy fix that they should be able to repair it. Clerk to follow up and ensure it gets repaired.
 - i. **Speeding cars – raised with PCC by County Cllr G Morgan.** Cllr Gareth Morgan not present.
 - j. **Request for a site meeting update:** Have had responses but no definitive response or dates yet. Clerk to chase for a date to meet.
 - k. **Speed issues – Welsh Government response to Glyn Preston:** Email sent on to all Cllrs. This ties in with agenda item 5c.
 - l. **Falling slates at Black Lion:** no updates received, Clerk to chase TRA.
 - m. **Unadopted road behind the Village Green:** Highways will have a look at this but want a map showing the specific area. Clerk to confirm.
6. **Matters Arising:**
 - a. **Dog fouling signs:** new signs should be available. Clerk has confirmed the problem areas and will chase that the posters will be put up.
 - b. **School Governors Representation:** Cllr Gareth Morgan will raise this at the next School Governors meeting.
 - c. **Website updates:** Some further changes have been made, more changes to complete.
 - d. **Drainage/Sewage issues in Llangurig:** Clerk has been in contact with someone at Environmental Health Powys CC who has said they will look into it. Clerk to follow up.
 - e. **Air Ambulance – possible move from Mid-Wales:** Cllr H Pugh was going to provide some information regarding a petition on this issue but has not forwarded anything on as yet.
 - f. **Welsh Government Energy Service - Community Energy Grants:** This is something that Cllr Gareth Morgan sent on to the Council but was not present to discuss further.
 - g. **Village fireworks display:** Cllr H Pugh confirmed prior to the meeting with the Clerk that residents would be organising this amongst themselves.
 - h. **Council Training Plan:** This plan is more detailed than expected. Clerk and Chair to go through initially and decide how best to progress.

- i. **Village Green flagpoles** LCC has been asked by someone who would like to replace the current flagpoles for larger ones on the Village Green. Cllrs all in agreement. Clerk to contact J Lewis to ask whether he would like his flagpoles back or keep with the Council.

7. Ongoing (long term) Matters:

- a. **Village Green Boundary:** The new map for the boundary will hopefully be drawn this week.

A request has been made by Llangurig Community Centre for the ownership of the new fence to be passed over to LCC. Cllrs all in agreement. Clerk to add it to the asset register and insurance.

- b. **Village Play Area:** Info received regarding the valuation of the land has been received by the landowners and passed on to LCC. Cllrs discussed how to progress this and feel that a group of members of the Community could run this project with the help of LCC as more funding could be available this way. Clerk to start sourcing some quotes for the equipment so that the full cost of the project can be worked out.

- c. **Community Wind Farm Fund:** No information still but there may be an opportunity for a few people to get a meeting with Phyl Davies to try and get some solid info about the fund. Clerk to follow up with Phyl to ensure a meeting.

- d. **Dog fouling:** Covered in agenda items 6a.

8. 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. **Powys CC:** Request for Information - Community Council Halls & Meeting Places. Information noted, no action.
- b. **One Voice Wales:** The importance of Community & Town Councils in building resilient places for nature. Information noted, no action.
- c. **One Voice Wales:** Ramblers - Our paths our future. Information noted, no action.
- d. **IRPW:** Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Draft Annual Report - February 2023. Cllrs feel that the payments suggestion a mandatory for Cllrs in this report should be optional and not mandatory. Clerk to put comments forward.

9. Planning Matters: *Planning applications carried forward from previous meeting:*

- a. **Application Reference: 22/1148/FUL** Grid Reference: E:292920 N: 277776
Proposal: Erection and operation of a temporary meteorological mast for a period of three years Site Address: Site 2.5km South-east Of Llangurig To The West Of Rhiwlas Hill, Llangurig , Powys, Application Reference: 21/1901/FUL.
Cllrs discussed the above application and have no comments as there are already masts in these areas which have been there some time.

- b. **Application Reference: 22/1147/FUL** Grid Reference: E:289896 N: 282543
Proposal: Erection and operation of a temporary meteorological mast for a period of three years Site Address: Land Adjacent To Banc Du, Llangurig, Llanidloes, Powys
Cllrs discussed the above application and have no comments as there are already masts in these areas which have been there some time.

10. Finances:

- a. **Account balance** = £9,171.88
- b. **Account signatories:** Paperwork to be signed by Cllr H Pugh when she is present.
- c. **Account and budget review:** accounts info was sent to Cllrs prior to the meeting. Cllrs discussed the accounts and noted that the 2020 and 2021 audits have not been paid as yet, this should be factored in. Bank charges for Unity Trust should be added to the precept and Cllrs should discuss at precept discussion whether election costs and laptop costs should be factored into precept figures.
- d. **Bills to be paid:**

Sophie Palmer (Clerk) salary (Oct) = £249.60 - £50 (PAYE) = £199.60 (Net)

Sophie Palmer (Clerk) expenses (Oct) = £47.71

HMRC PAYE tax payable (Oct) = £50.00

Llangurig Community Centre (Bute Energy Meeting) = £10.00

Bills to be paid were agreed for payment by Cllrs present.

11. Councillors Comments:

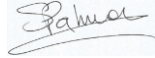
Cllr I Bound: has not yet spoken with the owner of the overgrown hedge on the old road to Llanidloes, he will look to do this as soon as possible.

Cllr R Williams: Lower Glyn Brochan; there is a blocked culvert near the entrance to the farm (top side of the road). The surface water is being taken off rather than unblocking the culvert. Clerk to raise with Highways.

12. Next Meeting: The next meeting of Llangurig Community Council is to be held on Tuesday 15th November at 7.30pm at Llangurig Community Centre.

Chair Cllr L Higgitt thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.40pm.

Signed:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Sophie Palmer', is written over a light blue rectangular background.

Sophie Palmer (Clerk & RFO)