## Llangurig Community Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Minutes of meeting held at Llangurig Community Centre on Tuesday 19th March 2024 at 7.30pm.

In attendance: Cllr L Higgitt (Chairman), Cllr C Howells (Vice Chair), Cllr I Bound, Cllr R Jones, Cllr A Emanuel, Cllr D Jones, Cllr H Pugh. <u>Clerk:</u> Sophie Palmer 1 member of the public County Councillor G Preston Not present: County Cllr G Morgan

- 1. Apologies: Cllr R Williams, Cllr P Abel.
- 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.
- 3. Minutes for meeting of 20<sup>th</sup> February 2024 were agreed and proposed as an accurate record by Cllr C Howells and seconded by Cllr A Emanuel.
- **4.** Public Speaking 15 minutes allocated for members of the public to speak on items on the agenda No one wishing to speak
- 5. Highway Matters:
  - a. **50mph signage off Llangurig roundabout:** No response received from TRA, Clerk continuing to chase.
  - **b.** Site meeting with TRA and highways: No response received from TRA, Clerk continuing to chase.
    - i. Repositioning of bus stop
    - ii. Path between cemetery and village
  - **c.** Falling slates at Black Lion: No response received from TRA, Clerk continuing to chase.
  - d. Flooding above Pencroeso: Clerk is waiting for Highways to confirm whether this has been looked at again.
  - e. 20mph signage issues: No response received from TRA, Clerk continuing to chase.
  - f. Grit bin near pavement to café request: No response received from TRA, Clerk continuing to chase. Cllr I Bound confirmed that he has been told that a bin surround will be put at the end of his road/drive. Clerk to contact PCC about this and ask whether the others will be repaired in line with this.
  - **g.** Bad bend on Llanidloes road more signage requested: Clerk is waiting on TRA to respond following confirming the bend in question.
  - h. Potholes near Finnon Las: These have been repaired. Clerk to remove from the agenda
- 6. Matters Arising:
  - a. Drainage/Sewage issues in Llangurig: Cllr H Pugh confirmed that the sewerage was emptied again today and 6 weeks previous. Chair Cllr L Higgitt requested that Cllr H Pugh should keep a log of specific dates of when
  - **b.** Bin surrounds: No updates have been received, however Cllr I Bound confirmed that Powys CC has confirmed that they will be putting a bin surround at the end of his drive/lane. Clerk to contact PCC to ask about this and whether the others will be repaired/replaced alongside this new one.
  - **c. Overflowing bins:** The bins have been fine recently. Clerk to remove item from the agenda.
  - d. Asset Register Review: Clerks laptop added to asset list. It was suggested to add the noticeboards. Clerk to ask insurers whether they think that is necessary.
  - e. Damaged posts by war memorial: Nothing received from PCC. Clerk to ask TRA as the post that is damaged is on the pavement. Clerk to try and find out who owns the memorial.
  - f. External Audit Completion: Awaiting a response regarding changing the qualified audit decision.
  - **g.** Website issues: Roger (Upper Bridge) has confirmed that he can put together a basic website by the start of April. Clerk confirmed that a basic website would at least allow LCC to post agendas, minutes and any other statutory documents which have to be published. Cllrs agreed to go ahead with a basic site as soon as possible. Clerk to action.
- 7. Ongoing (long term) Matters:

a. Village Green Boundary: Chair Cllr L Higgitt has not received anything as yet from

the person who has said they will draw this up. Chair Cllr L Higgitt to chase up.

b. Village Play Area: Waiting to hear back about funding from the wind farm fund.c. Community Wind Farm Fund: We will have a response by the end of March

regarding the application for funding from the wind farm fund.

8. Correspondence: All correspondence has been distributed to Cllrs and shared online as necessary.

a. Llais: Join a National Conversation with Llais. Information noted, no action.

**b.** Lluest Y Gwynt Wind Farm Community Liaison Group: Meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> March. Cllr A Emanuel will aim to attend this meeting on behalf of LCC.

**c. Eisteddfod:** Appeal Campaign National Eisteddfod 2024. Cllrs agreed that they would not look to offer funding for this as it is National and not local.

**d.** Air Ambulance: EMRTS Service Review. Clerk to respond again to confirm that LCC feels the air ambulance should not be moved from Welshpool.

**e.** Local Resident: Recording and publishing meetings. A local resident asked about the recording of Council meetings. It was confirmed that this is something that would need to be requested in writing for the Council to approve or reject. The Standing Orders for LCC state this and ClIrs were happy to keep to this and assess each request as and when made. No request has been made in writing at this time.

9. Planning Matters: No planning applications received at the time of posting the agenda

## 10. Finances:

- a. Account balance =  $\pounds 10,425.60$
- **b.** Savings Account: Information was requested which can now be sent. The savings account should be set up quickly.

**c.** Cllr Remuneration information: Cllr remuneration is to be paid unless Cllrs wish to opt out which they must confirm in writing to the Clerk.

d. Bills to be paid:

Sophie Palmer (Clerk) salary (March) =  $\pounds$ 287.70 -  $\pounds$ 57.60 (PAYE) =  $\pounds$ 230.10 (Net) Sophie Palmer (Clerk) expenses (March) =  $\pounds$ 24.89 HMRC PAYE tax payable (March) =  $\pounds$ 57.60

Cllrs agreed the bills to be paid which were proposed for payment by Cllr C Howells and seconded by Cllr D Jones.

## 11. Councillors Comments:

**Clir D Jones:** Reported that the road by the old school is full of rubbish as it has been previously. It is obstructive to vehicles and the concern is that emergency vehicles would not be able to access the road if needed. Clerk to write to the landowner and request for the road to be made accessible.

**12. Next Meeting:** The next meeting of Llangurig Community Council is to be held on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm at Llangurig Community Centre.

Chair Cllr L Higgitt thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.35pm.

Signed:

Sophie Palmer (Clerk & RFO)