

Cyngor Bro LLANBRYNMAIR Community Council

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday, 1st of November 2023.

Present

Councillors - D Jones, F Cauley, E Lewis, B Jones, P Jones, I Edwards, S Evans, R Ashton and G Davies

Apologies – E Davies (Chairman) and G Mitchell (Powys)

The Vice-Chairman, R Ashton, extended a warm welcome to all

Presentations –

Declarations of interest –

Approving minutes of previous meeting held on 4th of October 2023

Everyone in agreement

Matters arising

1. Car parking in Llan village – Ben Davies has dropped off a load of planings to fill in some of the depressions but there are other problems to solve, F Cauley and S Reast to meet on site
2. Request for cycle path around the Community Field – S Reast and Bethan Jones (Headteacher) have met Barry Jones, tree surgeon, on the field to discuss the clearance work as defined in the PCC report
3. Proposal to re-open the railway station in Llanbrynmair – An article written by Paul Atkins (Local Transport Today) was presented which discussed the various factors affecting the line including the number of travellers using the new station in Bow Street
4. Public toilets – Mark Shelley has mended the flush but there is another toilet in the men's which is loose and needs re-fixing to the floor. The lights seem to be working now. S Reast has asked Peter Lamb to look at the piece of roof that is leaking and causing damage to the ceiling in the ladies'. E Davies offered to clear the rubbish behind the building. S Reast has a meeting with the solar panel company on the 22nd of November
5. Noticeboards – F Cauley has done some very thorough research into options for noticeboards on the market. It was agreed to buy a new one for Bont. F Cauley and S Reast to co-ordinate on the final choice
6. Defibrillator equipment in the Llanbrynmair area – A new defibrillator has been installed in Tafolwern. I Edwards to send details about new equipment needed on other sites to S Reast. There is no confirmation about the location of the Bont defibrillator yet since the garage was sold
7. Consider new equipment for the Playground – Lottery application ongoing
8. Training Plan – R Ashton has done the 'Charing' training
9. BT cable down by Bont crossroad – Open Reach have promised to attend to this when they are in the area
10. Hedges by Pont Bel – S Evans has given the address of the new owners to S Reast so that she can write to them

11. Sewage in the river – A report from Emily Payne, Welsh Water was presented outlining the improvements that are to be done
12. Concealed entrance, Maes yr Efail – S Reast has met the owners on site at the old garage and has received confirmation that they are happy to have a domed mirror installed by the hedge on their land facing the entrance to Maes yr Efail
13. Tenders for cutting grass in playground – Wood chippings have been put down in the willow tunnel and along the boundary of the park
14. Station House, Talerddig – No update
15. Cutting the grass between Wynnstay and the farm – It was agreed that trimming trees and grass is the responsibility of landowners apart from the verges that are done by the Trunk Road Agency
16. Bins at the bottom of Bryneinty Road – S Reast has written to Powys to ask if it would be possible to send one of the smaller lorries up the lane to collect rubbish rather than everyone having to bring theirs down to the bottom – no update
17. Weedkiller around signposts – A letter was received from Powys outlining the challenge. A balance is sought between staff and drivers' safety, the cost of the work and its efficacy. Powys uses different techniques depending on location
18. Dolfach bus shelter – The owners of Faenol are happy to have the shelter on the boundary of their land. S Reast to co-ordinate communications between them and Traws Cambria – no update
19. Untidy gardens at nos. 2 and 13, Glanlegyr – The problems have not been resolved
20. Trimming hedge and undergrowth in Bont – Work underway by Josh Reast
21. Bench in Dolfach – Costs for a new bench were presented. It was agreed that two would be bought, one for Dolfach and one for Llan. S Reast to ask Powys for permission to locate one on their land in Dolfach
22. Broken shed in the play park – The school would be happy to accept the shed
23. Noticeboard in Talerddig – F Cauley has not managed to open the noticeboard. I Edwards to have a look at it
24. Noticeboard in Llan – It was agreed that the noticeboard by the old shop in Llanbrynmair could be moved to Llan. Permission will be needed from the owners of the barn conversion to mount it on the wall facing the car park
25. Community Centre Fair – £75.00 was raised on the bottle stall at the Community Centre Fair and a total of £565.00 for everything
26. Response to the Rally – S Reast to write to the organisers to ask for better communication with residents next time
27. Dog Poo signs – It was agreed that another half dozen should be ordered
28. Dangerous trees near the cross roads at Dolgadfan – S Reast to discuss with landowners
29. Footpath from Dolfach to Llanbrynmair and to the Tafolwern turning – The response to questionnaires carried out in 2021 to collect evidence for the need was presented. There are no obvious options for financing at present
30. Gullies opposite turning to Cwm Ffynnon – S Reast to ask Powys for work schedule
31. Empty Council houses – Discussed under 19
32. White posts on Pandy lane – No update
33. Update on Patient's Forum – S Evans will be taking E Lewis's place on the forum and F Cauley will be Chair
34. Remembrance Sunday – The posters and arrangements were presented
35. Defibrillator requested for Dolfach – I Edwards to look into costs

Road matters

- White lines by Yr Efail and Bryncoch – G Mitchell to push Powys for the lines to be done while they are being done for the new road by Brook – no update
- White stones by the road in Pandy – G Mitchell misunderstood where they were. R Ashton to give him a What3Words location
- Traffic speed on the main road into the village – S Reast received a response from GoSafe but more information is needed
- Traffic lights by Dolgoch – A response from Trunk Road Agency describes the surveying that has been done but no practical work as yet
- Drain near Hen Gapel – S Reast to write to Powys, the specific location of the problem was discussed and marked on a map
- Further end of Pandy lane – S Reast reported to Powys
- Road below Lluest collapsing – S Reast reported to Powys

Written and verbal report from Cllr Gary Mitchell (Cyngor Sir Powys)

Correspondence

- Metal (Non-Coal) Mines Programme Pollution from Abandoned Metal Mines

Planning

- 23/1164/FUL | Erection of 3 no. 3 bed dwellings (terraced) including landscaping, vehicular access and all associated works | Land At Cae Bryncoch Llanbrynmair Powys SY19 7DL – no answer has been received about the enquiry regarding affordable homes. A response from the planning department was presented explaining the policies regarding Affordable Housing
- 23/0499/FUL | Erection of agricultural building and 3 x poly tunnels for horticultural use (retrospective) | Gardd Afon Tafolwern Llanbrynmair SY19 7DT – No update

Bank balance and financial statement

Available on 28/10/2023

Current Account	£6806.20
Savings Account	£2,899.01
Total	£9705.20
Cheques not yet presented	£1979.00
Available balance	£7726.20

Funding requests and financial payments

Date agreed	Item	Total	Cheque no.	Notes
01/11/23	Clerk's salary	£368.00		
01/11/23	Tax and NI on Clerk's salary (July)	£92.00		
01/11/23	DRE & Co. PAYE Services	£77.40		

01/11/23	Mark Shelley	£70.00		Paid
01/11/23	Arfon Hughes Services – translation costs	£140.00		
01/11/23	E.ON Next	£15.46		
01/11/23	Air Ambulance	£100.00		

AOB

- Logging lorries causing problems at morning school run time. S Reast to write to Les Hughes and Kieron Owen copying G Mitchell in – much of the work has been completed so it was agreed that matters could be left as they are for now

Items for the next meeting

- F Cauley – Verges between Bont and Talerddig and Bont and Llan
- F Cauley – Bridge has been hit
- G Davies – Ditch above Penfilltir, roots all over the road
- G Davies – Road crumbling by Craig yr Henffordd
- B Jones - Salt bins
- D Jones – Light by Pengeulan needs trees trimming around it
- B Jones – Street light on all day

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday evening, 6th December 2023

The following meeting will be held on Wednesday evening, 3rd January 2023

Sarah Reast

Clerk to Llanbrynmair Community Council