

Cyngor Bro LLANBRYNMAIR Community Council

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday, 6th September 2023.

Present

Councillors - E Davies (Chairman), D Jones, F Cauley, E Lewis, B Jones, P Jones and G Mitchell (Powys)

Apologies – I Edwards, S Evans, R Ashton, G Davies

The Chairman, E Davies, extended a warm welcome to all

Presentations – Chris Priestly from Open Reach presented a summary of local developments to extend the provision of Fibre Broadband. Chris is trying to encourage local people to express their interest in using this improved service in order to justify the necessary investment. The idea of having drop-in sessions so that Chris could help people fill the pledging forms on-line was discussed.

Declarations of interest –

Approving minutes of previous meeting held on 5th of July 2023

E Davies proposed, D Jones seconded, everyone in agreement

Matters arising

1. Car parking in Llan village - Ben Davies has agreed to drop off a dumpy bag of planings to fill in some of the depressions
2. Request for cycle path around the Community Field - S Reast and G Mitchell had a meeting with Powys officers, the lease agreement is nearly ready and a "Right of Entry" permission is expected soon to allow preparation work such as clearing trees and planting hedgerow.. S Reast has written to Alister to inform him that there is no sheep grazing now
3. Proposal to re-open the railway station in Llanbrynmair - A leaflet from Patrick Adams about plans for a new bus service between Machynlleth and Llandrindod was presented
4. Public toilets - Becky Rowlands has changed the light units in the ladies' toilets to lower power ones with motion sensors. Mark Shelley to look at the water flow in the men's urinals. It is believed that the complications with electricity billing have now being sorted and that the current tariff is a reasonable one. There is a problem with rubbish accumulating behind the building
5. Noticeboards - The noticeboard in Bont has been restored and re-installed
6. Defibrillator equipment in the Llanbrynmair area - 2 defibrillators have been bought, one will be installed in Tafolwern. S Reast to enquire about ownership of the old telephone box
7. Consider new equipment for the Playground - The new cradle swings have arrived and are ready to install. The cost of the climbing frame has risen so further funding options will need to be considered. S Reast to meet representative from Community Lottery fund
8. Training Plan – F Cauley to do 'Code of Conduct' training and R Ashton to do 'Chairing'

9. Hedge beside Tyrpeg in Talerddig – S Reast has had a conversation with Trunk Road Agency who are reluctant to add more traffic controls so that the work can be done while the ones below Dolgoch are still in place. S Reast to write to the new owners to explain the situation
10. BT cable down by Bont crossroad – It was suggested that enquiries could be made with Tegrid Jones
11. Hedges by Pont Bel – A response from Network Rail was presented explaining that they do not currently intend to trim the trees on their land. S Reast to write again asking for details about boundaries
12. Turning Pandy lane in Bont into a one way road – 2 Araf/Slow signs have arrived and were given to F Cauley to consider installation requirements
13. Light in Llan – A confirmation from Powys that this work would be done in the next 2 years was received
14. Sewage in the river – A useful meeting was held on the 21st of August
15. Concealed entrance, Maes yr Efail – The idea of writing to Powys about this was discussed but G Mitchell said that they would not consider it. Installing a mirror opposite the entrance was suggested
16. Tenders for cutting grass in playground – S Reast received a quote from Barry Jones for a pick-up full of bark chippings for £60
17. Station House, Talerddig – There was a meeting with Children’s Services on site on the 1st of August. G Mitchell to share information about the next meeting when it has been arranged
18. Cutting the grass between Wynnstay and the farm – Powys County Council have written to S Reast saying that the land is not their responsibility. E Davies to visit the owner of Wynnstay Farm
19. Bins at the bottom of Bryneinty Road – It was suggested that Powys could be asked to send one of the smaller lorries up the lane to collect rubbish rather than everyone having to bring theirs down to the bottom.
20. Weedkiller around signposts – S Reast has written to Powys to ask about their policy regarding weed control
21. ROSPA report – Safety checks have been done on the playpark equipment, there are no pressing concerns
22. Dolfach bus shelter – Traws Cambria have not managed to secure permission to put the new shelter on the land in front of the old garage so will be making enquiries with the owners of the Feinol to site it in front of their property
23. Surface of road by Pont Brics – S Reast to write to Trunk Road Agency
24. Payment system for the car park – It was decided to leave it as it is for the time being
25. Strimming around the bench at the bottom of Brynaire Road – Josh Reast has done this
26. Cutting grass around the Community Centre and the school – A complaint was received about the cut grass being left to rot and creating a bad smell. S Reast discussed this with the Secretary of the Hall Committee and the Headteacher and there are no plans to change how the grass cutting is done at the moment
27. Untidy gardens at nos. 2 and 13, Glanlegyr – S Reast has written to the housing department at Powys and the relevant officer is looking into it

Road matters

- White lines by Yr Efail and Bryncoch – G Mitchell to push Powys for the lines to be done

- White stones by the road in Pandy – G Mitchell has visited and found that they are no longer there
- Traffic speed passing the school – It is expected that the new 20mph restrictions will help
- Traffic speed on the main road into the village – A letter was presented from Lee Waters As and Russell George, unfortunately there seems no chance that anything will be done about this matter
- Cattle grid, Cwm Nant yr Eira – S Reast reported it to Powys
- Cattle Grid, Belan, Talerddig – S Reast reported it to Powys
- Traffic lights at Dolgoch – It is expected that these will go soon

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

Correspondence

Planning

- 23/0943/FUL Proposed tourism development consisting of 5 glamping domes, general camping area, siting of a caravan, 3no. WC /Showering huts, along with access road improvements, infrastructure, recycling/waste point and all associated works, Star Inn Dylife Llanbrynmair SY19 7BW – Opposed with qualifying reasons namely concerns about drainage provision and the visual impact of the pods
- Cwm Tafolog Forestry – For information only
- 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 – Supported with enquiry about local needs provision

Bank balance and financial statement

Available on 24/07/2023

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| Current Account | £7,271.55 |
| Savings Account | £2,887.14 |
| Total | £10,158.69 |
| Cheques not yet presented | £823.64 |
| Available balance | £9,335.05 |

Funding requests and financial payments

| Date agreed | Item | Total | Cheque no. | Notes |
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| 05/09/23 | Clerk's salary (July) | £368.00 | | Paid |
| 05/09/23 | Tax and NI on Clerk's salary (July) | £92.00 | | Paid |
| 05/09/23 | DRE & Co. Audit | £90.00 | | Paid |
| 05/09/23 | Office Express | £56.24 | | Paid |
| 05/09/23 | Arfon Hughes Services – | £140.00 | | Paid |

| | Translation costs | | | |
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| 05/09/23 | Clerk's salary (August) | £368.00 | | |
| 05/09/23 | Tax and NI on Clerk's salary (August) | £92.00 | | |
| 05/09/23 | Josh Reast - Strimming | £15.00 | | |
| 05/09/23 | Aztec Print - Signs | £96.00 | | |
| 05/09/23 | ROSPA – Playpark safety report | £102.60 | | |
| 05/09/23 | Hafren Dyfrdwy | £551.13 509.56 | | |
| 05/09/23 | PHS | £101.40 | | |
| 05/09/23 | E.ON Next | £808.60 | | |

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Items for the next meeting

- I Edwards – Cattle grids and road condition, Cwm Nant yr Eira
- F Cauley – Layby near Lluest, Bont
- F Cauley – Noticeboard in Talerddig
- F Cauley – Noticeboard in Llan
- E Lewis – Kerb by Café/shop

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday evening, 4th of October 2023

The following meeting will be held on Wednesday evening, 1st of November 2023

Sarah Reast
Clerk to Llanbryn-mair Community Council